



SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY FOOTBALL CLUB

Job Advert

Academy Sport Scientist

Vacancy Reference No: 77

Job Purpose:

Reporting to the Head of Academy Sport Science and Medicine the successful candidate will be responsible for the physical development of players, working alongside a multi-disciplinary team of practitioners to maximise the development of players within the Professional Development Phase, adhering to EPP guidelines and requirements.

35 hours a week, 7 days flexible

General Responsibilities.

Departmental/General Requirements

- To adhere to the Club's Safeguarding Policy and at all times working towards Making Children Safe as a priority
- To promote a professional image of the club and themselves at all times.
- To contribute in identifying and undertaking initiatives aimed at improving the efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery.
- To develop the policies and procedures of SWFC with the aim of creating a business – like organisation which maximises resources and explores income generating opportunities.
- To contribute to a fully integrated service in order to provide a good customer service.
- Maintain and develop appropriate electronic systems/working practices for the benefit of the service.
- To work with and support other team members as required ensuring effective and efficient service is developed and delivered.
- Provide management information as required for the use of SWFC.
- You will be expected to contribute to the Health & Safety of the working environment in a personal and, where applicable, a supervisory capacity.
- You will be expected to seek ways of updating and improving personal skills, knowledge and understanding relevant to your own job role. SWFC will undertake regular appraisal interviews with all staff in order to address individuals personal development needs and to produce a training and development plan for the club

Role Specific Duties

- To manage the interdisciplinary departments of the Sports Science and Medicine Programme
- To report at all SMT (Senior Management Team) meetings where required
- To initiate and develop individualised programmes for U18 academy players
- To manage the support systems for the collection and analysis of testing and training data.
- To liaise with other staff from the Academy and other appropriate outside agencies on matters concerning the development of Academy players i.e. members of multi-disciplinary team and interns
- To represent the club on nominated games, meetings and associated functions
- Monitor the progress of all players through the Performance Pathway
- Liaise with all Academy staff in matter relating to the apprentice and schoolboy programme to help transition the players through the Performance Pathway

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- Ensure that Sports Science Department runs effectively, efficiently and within the Academy regulations and guidelines of the Football League/Premier League/ FA and SWFC Ltd
- To liaise closely with education and welfare staff in the pastoral development of all players in the Performance Pathway
- Assist the Academy Manager with other duties relating to the development of the Academy Programme.
- Ensure all KPI's are delivered and adhered to as directed by Head of Academy Sport Science & Medicine
- To promote a safe and healthy working environment for all players and staff
- Provide the Academy Manager with appropriate written progress reports for all players in the Performance Pathway
- Additional duties as reasonably requested by the Academy Manager
- Manage and ensure efficient logs and records are kept up to date on the PMA system on a daily, phase and seasonal basis
- Attend meetings with players and parents when appropriate

Qualifications

Essential

- BSc in Sport and Exercise Science (or equivalent subject)

Desirable

- Currently hold or working towards a relevant post-graduate qualification
- UKSCA (or similar) accredited or demonstrable evidence of completion within 12 months

Experience

Essential

- Evidence of working in elite youth football or athletic development
- Experience of working within a multidisciplinary team of medical staff
- Dedicated to self-improvement and continued professional development
- Excellent interpersonal skills and communication skills
- Able to work flexibly during the week to cope with the demands of the role and willing to work evenings when required
- Experience of providing strength and conditioning support to Elite Youth Athletes

Desirable

- Experience of working to EPPP standards and usage of PMA
- Experience with GPS data analysis and interpretation (Catapult Openfield)
- Experience of conducting physiological testing and data interpretation
- Experience of providing strength and conditioning support to Elite Youth Athletes

Closing date: 10th September 2019

Please state your salary expectations along with your CV to Vacancies@swfc.co.uk