



Yorkshire Water Work Experience Programme

Industrial Cadets – Silver Award

Work experience programme (16–18 years)

Industrial Cadets Parent/Guardian Section

Programme overview:

Industrial Cadets is a work experience programme for young people (age 16–18), accredited by the Engineering Development Trust (EDT). For more information on the Industrial Cadets programme including the different levels available, please visit:

<https://www.etrust.org.uk/programmes-industrial-cadets>

The week-long Yorkshire Water programme will give young people the opportunity to experience:

- How the UK Water Industry works.
- The wide range of professions and skills needed within the industry.
- Some of the challenges and skills shortages the Water Industry faces (and possible solutions) with a focus on the environment and sustainability, customer services, leakage operations, water conservation, and water safety.
- How we treat our water from source to tap with visits to a water treatment facility. These will be operational and industrial sites and there is a requirement for **all** personal to wear protective equipment which we will provide.

Throughout the week the cadets will work on a project based on the activities and visits they undertake. At the end of the week, cadets who successfully complete the programme will receive an Industrial Cadet Silver accreditation.

Yorkshire Water will pay for the cost and fees associated with the Industrial Cadet Silver Award programme, therefore there is **no cost** to participants to enter the programme.



What we require from the cadets

The programme is accredited on the basis that deliver 30 hours of training and the cadets will be expected to attend the full 30 hours.

Cadets are all expected to arrange and pay for their own travel to the venue each day (see address below). Due to a variety of health, safety and safeguarding reasons, it is essential that participants are able to arrive and depart on time each day.

We would also expect cadets to bring their own packed lunch. Tea, coffee and water is provided.

Dates, times and location:

Monday 6th July to Friday 10th July 2026

Start: 9am-4.00pm

Location: Yorkshire Water Education Centre
Headingley Water Treatment Works
Otley Road
Headingley
Leeds
LS16 5LG



Parent information & declaration:

<p>Parent / Guardian Name(s):</p> <p>Relationship to Student:</p>	<p>Parent / Guardian Contact details:</p> <p>Address</p> <p>Tel:</p> <p>Mob:</p> <p>Email:</p>
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PARENT / GUARDIAN CONSENT (please read carefully)

- I confirm that I have read in full, the document which outlines what is involved in this programme and understand / agree to its contents.
- I consent to _____ taking part in all the activities of the Yorkshire Water work experience programme, if selected.
- I consent to _____ travelling by minibuses / coaches / motor vehicles organised by Yorkshire Water, to take part in the planned activities over the week.
- I understand that Yorkshire Water reserves the right to withdraw _____ from the program at any time if he/she is not behaving appropriately and/or attending/departing on time each day.
- Does the young person have a ECHP in place?

Name:

Signature:

Date:



Industrial Cadets Applicant Section

(to be completed by applicant)

Industrial Cadets is an accredited work experience programme for young people, supported by the Engineering Development Trust (EDT). The silver level award requires a minimum of 30 hours of activities. For more information, visit

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Programme Overview: You will

- gain a nationally recognised Industrial Cadet Silver Award, that will enhance applications, job interviews and other careers related experiences;
- increase awareness and understanding of the issues that the UK water industry faces delivering a safe, secure, and high-quality water supply;
- gain an understanding of sustainability and water conservation within Yorkshire Water;
- increase your awareness about the type of job roles and potential careers available within Yorkshire Water and some of the specific skills necessary to fulfil these roles;
- deliver a tangible 'real life' project which will enhance your CV;
- improve and develop a range of skills including creativity, innovation, problem solving, teamwork, communication and interaction skills;
- gain access to the Industrial Cadets Online Network; an online platform that connects you with employers and other cadets, provides you with further enrichment, advice and information about access to job opportunities, events and further training.



Applicant Details

Surname:	Date of Birth:
First Name(s):	Title
Address:	Tel:
Postcode:	Mob:
	Email:

School Details

Name of school	Which year group are you in	Subject(s) and qualification(s) that you are currently studying for	Full Time / Part Time (if P/T, please state number of days/hours per week)	Inclusive Dates: Month and Year	
				From	To (if appl.)



Tell us a little bit about yourself?

Please explain:

- Why would you like to take part in the Yorkshire Water work experience programme?
- How does the programme suit your interests and motivations?
- Any other information that you feel would be relevant



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Teacher's comments:
(optional)



Tell us about something you are proud of.

Tell me something you are proud of that you have achieved, this can be something you have achieved at School or College or in your spare time

- What was the achievement?
- Why is it an achievement?
- How did you go about achieving it?



What do you think your biggest strengths and how are you to use the Industrial Cadet week to improve your weaknesses.

- What are your strengths, and can you think of at least 3?
- What makes them your strengths?
- What do you think you need to improve upon?
- How do you think the Industrial Cadet week will help you improve these?

A large empty rectangular box provided for writing answers to the questions listed above.