# **PERSON SPECIFICATION: BEACH LIFEGUARD POST REFERENCE: SR-105260**

**HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL IS COMMITTED TO SAFEGUARDING AND PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS. IF THIS POST IS SUBJECT TO SAFER RECRUITMENT MEASURES THEN A DISCLOSURE AND BARRING SERVICE (DBS) CHECK WILL BE REQUIRED.**

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| * **Educational/vocational/ occupational qualifications and/or training**
* **Specific qualifications (or equivalents)**
 | * RLSS National Beach Lifeguard Qualification or National Vocational Beach Lifeguard Qualification

or * Working towards the RLSS National Vocational Beach Lifeguard Qualification (either currently attending a course or enrolled on a course) (F,I)
 | * English and Maths GCSE qualifications (grade C or higher) or equivalent (F).
* RYA Personal Watercraft certificate or equivalent (F)
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| * **Work or other relevant experience**
 | * Experience of working with the public (F, I)
 | * Previous lifeguarding experience
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| * **Skills, abilities, knowledge and competencies**
 | * Physical fitness and swimming ability to undertake lifeguard duties (400m pool swim in 8 minutes or under) (T)
* Good time keeping - prompt arrival each day (I, R).
* Ability to listen, comprehend and obey work instructions; and carry them out safely and to a high standard as required (I) (R).
* Ability to plan and organise work for self (I, R).
* Willing and physically able to carry when necessary to carry out duties on outdoor situations in all weather (I).
* Basic written and numeric skills with the ability to make hand written notes and keep simple records (F).
* Ability to deal with difficult situations (F,I)
* Ability to keep work areas tidy, clean and safe; and awareness of Health & Safety requirements (I).
* Customer care: Demonstrate diplomacy and positive attitude when resolving queries (F,I,R).
* Ability to work alone and unsupervised for periods undertaking tasks (I, R).
* Ability to work successfully in a team (I, R).
* Tidy and clean personal appearance (I).
* Polite and courteous (I, R).
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| * + **General competencies**
 |  | * Full driving licence - category B (F, C).
* First Aid at Work or Emergency First Aid at Work qualification (F, C)
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