Apprentice Groundstaff

**Location:** The Valley

**Hours:** Full time plus matchdays

To Apply: Job Openings (peoplehr.net)

**About us:**

Charlton Athletic Football Club is an English professional association football club based in Charlton, south-east London. The club was founded on June 9th, 1905 and has a very storied history from rising to the top-flight of English Football in the 1930s (First Division) and again in the 1980s, 1990s and 2000s, to winning the FA Cup in 1947 and to leaving their Valley home in the mid-1980s only to make an impassioned return in 1992. Historically, the women’s team played under Charlton Athletic from 2000 to 2007 but were released to become an independently run team in 2007 following the men's team's relegation from the Premier League.

The women's team were originally formed as a non-professional team in 1991 and were highly successful in the early 2000s winning The FA Cup, the League Cup, and the Charity Shield, as well as coming runners-up in the top division in multiple seasons. In February 2021, the club acquired the Charlton Athletic Women's team, turning the team full-time professional, and integrating them to become one club again.

Currently, our men's first team competes in League One, the third tier of English football, and our women's team competes in the Women's Championship, the second highest division of women’s football in England. At Charlton, we are ‘one club’ and can be truly described as a ‘family club’.

**About the role**

To assist the grounds staff, working as part of a team to maintain and prepare the playing surface to an excellent standard to ensure that games can go ahead on schedule and to maintain the surrounding areas of The Valley and the Training Ground to the same high standard.

**Key Responsibilities**

- Undertake routine preparation and maintenance work in relation to playing surfaces as assigned by the Head Groundsman. Undertake all preparatory and cultivation work to maintain safe quality playing surfaces.
- Initial marking out and setting up of playing surfaces to a high standard undertaking all duties to ensure the best possible results are achieved.
- The safe use and operation of equipment and machinery used in grounds maintenance.
- Inform the supervisor and where instructed, take corrective action on mechanical defects or breakdown of equipment, within the individuals limitations.
• At all times adhere to high standards in relation to Health and Safety upholding the Company policy in this respect.
• Ensure work area is kept clean, tidy and secure at all times.
• Undertake general grounds maintenance tasks in relation to the playing surface and surrounding areas.
• Establish and maintain effective working relationships with managers, colleagues and end users.
• When dealing with customers / clients / public uphold high standards of customer care and attention at all times promoting the image of the Company.

About You

You are...

• A Team Player
• A hard worker with acute attention to detail
• Willing to work outdoors and in all weathers
• Able to work as a team

What will you get from us?

We can offer you a fantastic opportunity to work in a face paced, ambitious dynamic Football Club. In addition we offer you the follow benefits.

• Private Healthcare
• Medicash cash back plan
• Employee Assistance program
• 5% discount in the Club Superstore
• Contributory pension scheme

Safeguarding

Charlton Athletic Football club are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We endeavour to provide a fun, safe and welcoming environment where children and young people feel respected and valued.