

Where to look for work in Aberdeen

There are a lot of opportunities in Aberdeen. You just need to know where to look! It depends on what experience you have and what kind of job you are looking for.

Here we will talk about 3 strategies:

- Job Search Websites
- Applying directly
- Recruitment agencies

1. Job Search Websites

Use these websites to find vacancies in Aberdeen. They are easy to use.

Make sure you enter 'Aberdeen' to location. They will also ask for keywords for the type of job you are looking for.

Make sure you enter the relevant keywords. Useful keywords you can use depend on the type of job you are looking for: hospitality, waiter, bar staff, retail etc.

Also pay attention for the date the job was posted.

Aberdeen Specific Jobsites

jobsearch.direct.gov.uk - The best one with 100s of jobs in Aberdeen, in many different specialisms.

www.abdn.ac.uk/jobs/ - The University of Aberdeen offers also lots of jobs for catering and receptionist, some of them are part-time and are ideal for students.

www.unionsquareaberdeen.com/jobs - all the vacancies in the shopping centre Union Square

www.myjobscotland.go.uk - (Aberdeen City Council) Very interesting vacancies but they usually look for highly qualified employees (Teachers, social workers...)

General Jobsites

These are Jobsites with 100s of vacancies across the UK. Remember to add 'Aberdeen' to the location and to enter your specialism!

www.reed.co.uk/jobs/aberdeen - jobs in many specialisms

www.s1jobs.com/jobs/aberdeen/find - a Scottish jobsite with many opportunities in Aberdeen and across Scotland.

www.cv-library.co.uk - jobs in many specialisms

www.Bestjobsuk.co.uk

www.indeed.co.uk/jobs?q=&l=Aberdeen

www.simplyhired.co.uk/a/jobs/list/l-aberdeen%2C+scotland

www.gumtree.com/jobs/Aberdeen - Gumtree is not a job website but it has a job section. Smaller companies advertise here, so there can be some interesting opportunities.



Catering, Hospitality & Tourism

You can find jobs in catering and hospitality on the general sites above. However, there are some sites which are dedicated to this sector:

www.caterer.com/JobSeeking/Aberdeen_l2030_t1.html - lots of jobs in the catering trade

www.scottishhospitalityjobs.com/hospitality-jobs-aberdeen.shtml -

www.reed.co.uk/jobs/hospitality-catering/aberdeen

www.Traveltradejobs.com - jobs in the travel & tourism sector

www.Turijobs.co.uk - travel/tourism/hospitality industry but not a lot in Aberdeen.

Oil & Gas Jobs

If you have the relevant qualifications and experience in the Oil & Gas industry and want to find work in this area, Oil & Gas jobs are listed on these sites

<http://www.rigzone.com/jobs/>

<http://www.fircroft.com/uk/oil-and-gas-jobs-aberdeen>

www.cv-library.co.uk – a lot of engineering jobs are listed here.

2. Apply directly to businesses

An excellent way to find jobs is to apply directly to the company. There are different ways to do this. Many companies advertise jobs on their website

Company Websites

There are many big companies that only advertise their vacancies on their webpage (hotel chains (Marriott, Thistle etc); shops (Primark, Zara, etc); Coffee Shops & Bakeries (Starbucks, Café Nero, Greggs, Pret a Manger etc); Supermarkets (Asda, LIDL etc); Fast Food (KFC, Burger King etc) and other high street shops. It is worth checking these websites individually and applying through the webpage. The online forms you have to complete can take a long time but once you have done it, you can apply quickly to any vacancy in the company.

Shop Windows

When you are walking around Aberdeen, many shops, cafes, pubs and other businesses will advertise for staff in their shop window. Look out for these. Go in and ask for the manager and hand in your CV. This also gives you an opportunity to speak to the manager and ask any questions about the job. It also allows you to make an impression because they can meet you in person.

Just make sure that on the day you do this, you are dressed well to make a good impression. There is no need to wear a suit and tie but be tidy and presentable - first impressions always count!

Hand in your CV to local businesses

Did you know that 70% of jobs are never advertised at all? It's a crazy statistic. Just because a company isn't advertising for staff does not mean that they are not looking for staff! When you have free time, visit shops, cafes, hotels etc in Aberdeen and take a supply of CVs. Go in and ask if they are looking for staff and drop off your CV. Ask to speak to the manager if you can. Again, it's a chance to make an impression!

Even if they are not looking for staff on that day, most companies keep a file of CVs and they might contact you when a job becomes available.



3. Recruitment Agencies

There are lots of recruitment agencies in Aberdeen. They advertise some of their jobs on their websites but it is worth contacting them or visiting them to make an appointment to register with the agency. If you have specific skills that are interesting for them, they will keep your details on file and suggest you to employers in Aberdeen.

Recruitment agencies usually specialise in one or more particular areas (professional services, accounting, legal, secretarial, catering etc). So please check that your skills match the area(s) that the agency specialises in.

Here are some of the main recruitment agencies in Aberdeen:

<p>Thorpe Molloy Recruitment 38 Albyn Place, Aberdeen Tel: 01224 327000 www.thorpemolloy.com</p>	<p>Raeburn Recruitment Ruby House, 8 Ruby Place, Aberdeen Tel: 01224 625050 www.raeburn.com</p>
<p>Genesis Personnel Voyager House, 75 Waterloo Quay, Aberdeen Tel: 01224 565010 www.genesis-personnel.co.uk</p>	<p>AAA Deebridge House, Leggart Terrace, Aberdeen Tel: 01224 211211 www.aaajobs.co.uk</p>
<p>Bryant Personnel Services 440 Union Street, Aberdeen Tel: 01224 646238 www.bryantgroup.co.uk</p>	<p>Manpower UK 1-4 Dee Street, Aberdeen Tel: 01224 210320 www.manpower.co.uk</p>
<p>Office Angels 13 Back Wynd, Aberdeen Tel: 01224 657600 www.office-angels.com</p>	<p>Adecco Woodburn House, 4-5 Golden Square, Aberdeen Tel: 01224 620297 www.adecco.co.uk</p>
<p>Brook Street 21 Crown Street, Aberdeen Tel: 01224 210004 www.brookstreet.co.uk</p>	<p>Cover Crew 141 Crown Street, Aberdeen Tel: 01224 211113 www.covercrew.co.uk</p>