



Office of Public Works HQ



#JOB-2407202



Multiple Locations



No of positions : 5



Paid Position



39 hours per week



838.09-1015.20 Euro Weekly



19/08/2025



16/09/2025

How to apply

Application Method :

Please apply to the vacancy by the following means:

Email : recruitment@opw.ie

URL :

<https://www.gov.ie/en/office-of-public-works/publications/current-vacancies/>



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Chargehand (Head) Craft Gardener at Various Locations Nationwide

Application Details

In order to work in Ireland a non-EEA National, unless they are exempted, must hold a valid employment permit. Please review the [Eligibility and requirements for an employment permit](#) if you are unsure of your eligibility to apply for this vacancy.

Job Description



Multiple Locations :

- OPW, Castletown House, Castletown, Celbridge, Co. Kildare, W23 V9H3
- Doneraile Court, Doneraile, Co. Cork, P51 XR66
- OPW, Kilkenny Castle, The Parade, Kilkenny, Co. Kilkenny, R95 YRK1
- OPW, Derrynane House, Derrynane More, Caherdaniel, Co. Kerry, V23 FX65
- Ardilaun Lodge, St Stephen's Grn Pk, St Stephen's Grn, Dublin 2, D02 DX88

The Office of Public Works (OPW) invites applications for the positions of Chargehand (Head) Craft Gardener at various OPW sites nationwide. We are looking for someone dynamic with a flair for both formal and informal garden layouts and plants and working with a team of garden staff on maintaining and developing these gardens and plant collections.

Competition Reference 2025/056

Essential Eligibility Requirements (at the closing date)

Bachelor of Science in Horticulture, Hetac Level 7, or equivalent; *

Note: * Irish or Foreign qualification (deemed in a similar field of study) recognised as equivalent to the above qualification on the Irish National Framework of Qualifications.

Minimum of 2 years' Horticultural experience as a Craft Gardener. (post qualification)

Experience of working with Plant Collections and designed historic landscapes is desirable;

A full, clean and current driving licence, minimum category B & W. Note:** (1) If your Irish driving licence is restricted to driving cars with an automatic transmission only (denoted by the code 78 appearing on the licence), you are not eligible. (2) From 1 January 2021 if you are resident in Ireland and hold a UK/NI driving licence it is no longer valid to drive on here in Ireland. It is not legal

for driving purposes and must therefore be exchanged. It is vital that you have a valid driving licence and that you are legally allowed to drive in Ireland by exchanging a UK/NI licence for an Irish driving licence. Further information available on: www.ndls.ie

If you are interested in being considered for the above position and are satisfied that you meet the criteria as outlined above, please complete an Application Form. Please send the application form and copies of the required documentation by email to: recruitment@opw.ie

The closing date for receipt of completed Application Forms is 5:30pm on Tuesday, 30th September 2025. Applications received after this time will not be considered for the competition.

Please be advised we do not accept C.V's

- **Sector:** other service activities

Career Level

- Not Required