NORTH YORKSHIRE NYMR MOORS RAILWAY

VOLUNTEER ROLE DESCRIPTION

LINESIDE FIRE PATROLLER

START YOUR VOLUNTEER JOURNEY

Volunteers are the beating heart and soul of our much-loved living museum.

The North Yorkshire Moors Railway offers a wide range of experiences for those who love history, trains, and a unique experience. Volunteering presents you with the opportunity to meet new people from all walks of life. You'll gain worthwhile skills, and this can result in a real sense of achievement. Around 1000 volunteers work in various roles across the NYMR and they all bring something unique with them.

WHAT IS IT?

Lineside Fire Patrollers are a team of people who work in pairs to patrol our lineside looking for fires.

WHAT IS THE ROLE?

Lineside Fire Patrollers are vital to the NYMR to operate steam hauled services throughout the Spring and Summer seasons.

Patrollers start at Levisham Station in either the Morning or the Afternoon and follow steam hauled trains through part of our section between Levisham and Goathland.

Patrollers are vigilant for signs of a lineside fire.
If they see a fire and it is safe to do so, they extinguish the fire. They must then contact Control and tell them there has been a lineside fire.
If the fire is larger and it is not safe to extinguish then the Patrollers are the early warning system to raise the alarm for the fire.
The fire is then called into our Control who contact the Fire Service.
Fire Patrollers then assist the Fire Service with locating the fire and enabling them to begin tackling the fire in a safe and timely fashion.
An ideal day on Fire Patrol is a day in the outdoors with no fires.

The Fire Patrol Roster is available online on HOPs and managed by Operating Department Staff.
Fire Patrollers may not be required all Spring and Summer so you could be stood down from rostered turns. Any help and time is greatly appreciated and received by the NYMR.

ESSENTIAL AND DESIRABLE SKILLS

- Desire to provide a key service to the NYMR
- Enjoy spending time in the Outdoors and be happy to spend up to a day outdoors
- Want to see Steam Engines operating in non-public locations
- Be part of an excellent team
- Help the NYMR continue to run steam hauled services
- Able to walk up to a mile on ballast, have good mobility and general fitness
- Having a driving licence is beneficial but not essential
- Learn new skills and take on new opportunities
- Have good communication skills
- Patrollers must be 18 or over

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO BE A FIRE PATROLLER

When on Fire Patrol you must also wear cotton clothing and decent footwear with good ankle support.

The NYMR provides cotton flameproof jackets and additional bottled water for Fire Patrollers.

WHAT DOES THE TRAINING COVER?

Training looks at Fire Risk in North Yorkshire as a whole, the equipment the NYMR uses and advice on how to identify a lineside fire.
Training also looks at how to extinguish a lineside fire and how to use our equipment safely and looks at safety whilst working lineside generally.
We also go through what a typical day on Fire Patrol entails.

WHAT DOES THE ROUTE TO BECOMING QUALIFIED LOOK LIKE?

New Volunteers	Current Volunteers
Induction	Personal Track Safety (PTS)
Personal Track Safety (PTS)	Classroom Training on NYMR Fire Risk
Classroom Training on NYMR Fire Risk	Fire Patrol Route Driver
Fire Patrol Route Driver	First Rostered Turn
First Rostered Turn	Competent
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DEPARTMENT CONTACTS

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