

So, you're thinking of a career in... MARITIME AND LOGISTICS

What is the Maritime and Logistics sectors all about?

The Maritime and Logistics sector is a key employment and wealth generating sector for the Liverpool City Region.

A modern and efficient Maritime and Logistics sector is vital to support global supply chains across a wide range of other key sectors in the Liverpool City Region and beyond. This helps ensure that businesses are competitive and are able to access reliable low-cost sourcing of materials and components, and secure effective distribution of their products. An efficient and innovative logistics sector has also fuelled the rise and expansion of on-line retailing.

Will there be any opportunities and where are they?

The sector has seen considerable levels of investment in recent years, not least in the Port of Liverpool. Liverpool2 is a £400 million investment to create a deep-water container terminal that will enable the largest vessels to call at the port.

As with many sectors, automation and technological change will have an impact on the Maritime and Logistics sector and the different job roles within it, and the sector is increasingly becoming more complex with a shift to higher value job roles. The adoption and use of technology in warehousing and logistics will increase - especially in areas such as stock control and retrieval- although it is difficult to predict how quickly this will happen.

In many job areas - especially driving roles - an ageing workforce is increasingly becoming an issue. Given this, and new ways of working influenced by technology, employers will increasingly have a large number of diverse roles available for adaptable and well-organised individuals. Key employers include Peel Ports; Stobart Group; TJ Morris; QVC; Liverpool John Lennon Airport; Wincanton; Stena Line, Atlantic Container Line UK Ltd. (ACL).

How to get into the sector?

Important skills to have:	Useful subjects to study:
Communication skills	Maths
Problem solving	English
Analytical	ICT/Digital
Teamwork	Science
Time management	Geography
Attention to detail	Modern foreign languages
Project management	Design
ICT/Digital	Technology

What types of jobs are available?

Aircraft pilots and flight engineers: Aircraft flight deck officers check, regulate, adjust and test engines and other equipment prior to take-off, navigate and pilot aircraft and give flying lessons.

Managers and directors in transport and distribution: Managers and directors in transport and distribution plan, organise, direct and co-ordinate the activities and resources necessary for the safe, efficient and economic movement of passengers and freight by road, rail, sea and air transport.

What types of jobs are available... continued

Ship and hovercraft officers: Ship and hovercraft officers command and navigate ships and other craft, co-ordinate the activities of officers and deck and engine room ratings, operate and maintain communications equipment on board ship and undertake minor repairs to engines, boilers and other mechanical and electrical equipment.

Postal workers, mail sorters, messengers and couriers: Job holders in this group collect, receive, sort and deliver mail, documents, correspondence or messages, either between or within establishments.

Elementary storage occupations: This job group provides supplies for berthed ships, boats and barges, loading/unloading cargo; conveys goods and equipment or other items in or near warehouses and depots. They also prepare requisitions or despatch documents and perform other elementary goods handling and storage related tasks.

Large goods vehicle drivers: Large Goods Vehicle (LGV) drivers (formerly HGV drivers), collect, transport and deliver goods in rigid vehicles over 7.5 tonnes, articulated lorries and lorries pulling trailers.

Inspectors of standards and regulations: Job holders in this group undertake investigations and inspections to verify and ensure compliance with acts, regulations and other requirements e.g. building regulations; trade descriptions; the operation of commercial vehicles; health and safety in the workplace; animal welfare; and equipment installation

Protective service associate professionals: Job holders in this group inspect goods to ensure compliance with regulations concerning payment of duty, oversee and implement UK Border Control activities, monitor maritime conditions, undertake search and rescue operations, plan and coordinate services of private detection agencies and security measures.

IT business analysts, architects and systems designers: Workers in this group provide advice on the effective utilisation of IT and design IT systems to meet the business objectives or to enhance the effectiveness of the organisation. Common tasks include liaising with internal and external clients to analyse business procedures and assess the potential for utilising new technologies

Find out more...



Jobs and Salary Information
www.lmiforall.org.uk



Logistics Careers and resources
www.think-logistics.co.uk/resources



Liverpool City Region Maritime and Logistics - more information
www.investliverpool.com/sectors/maritime-logistics/