

Job of The Week

Air Traffic Controller

Key Skills

- concentration skills
- knowledge of transport methods, costs and benefits
- the ability to use your judgement and make decisions
- the ability to accept criticism and work well under pressure
- excellent verbal communication skills
- complex problem-solving skills
- > to be thorough and pay attention to detail
- the ability to think clearly using logic and reasoning
- thorough understanding of computer systems and apps

Salary

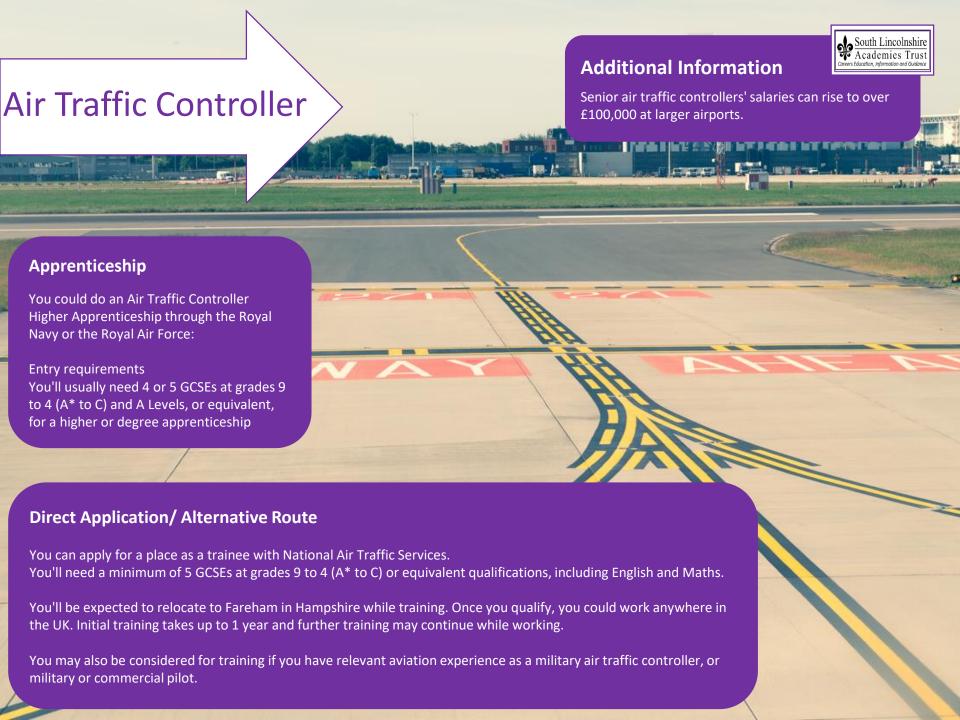
£18,000 - £100,000

Working hours

35-45

Evenings/ Weekends/ Bank Holiday on a shift pattern

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Career path and progression

With experience, you could move into training and assessing new controllers, or become a supervisor or unit manager.
You could also move into operations management.

Day to Day tasks:

Your tasks will vary depending on which of the 3 types of controller you are:

Area Controller - track and guide aircraft flying at higher altitudes through a sector and are based at a Regional Control Centre

Approach Controller - manage aircraft as they approach the airport and issue instructions to planes that have just taken off

Aerodrome Controller - work in a control tower, giving clearance to land and take off, and guide pilots to the correct taxi positions on stands and runways

- > Typically in these roles you could:
- > make sure safe distances are maintained between aircraft
- > keep in radio contact with flight crew and give out instructions
- > prevent collisions between planes and with other obstacles
- > handle emergencies
- monitor data



Labour Market Information

In the Careers section of the school website you can find the useful comparison tool the 'Labour Market Information widget'.

Use the widget to compare different job roles in any employment sector or relating specifically to the 'Job of the Week'.



Weekly Pay Annual Pay £1,730 £89,960 Hours/Week Hourly Pay

47h £37

Workforce Change (projected)

Growth Replacement 49.8%

The workforce is projected to grow by 5% over the period to 2027, creating 400 jobs. In the same period, 49.8% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 4,400 job openings.

You might find this job in Warehousing, etc

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Air transport operatives

Workforce Change (projected)

Growth Replacement 69.3%

The workforce is projected to grow by 0.5% over the period to 2027, creating 100 jobs. In the same period, 69.3% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 11,300 job openings.

You might find this job in Warehousing, etc Air transport Computer programming, etc

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Aircraft pilots and flight engineers

Workforce Change (projected)

Growth Replacement 49.8%

The workforce is projected to grow by 5% over the period to 2027, creating 1,200 jobs. In the same period, 49.8% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 11,800 job openings.

You might find this job in Air transport Warehousing, etc Public admin. & defence Education

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Take a look at these short videos for inspiration...

NATS Air Traffic Controller - London



A Day in the life of an Air Traffic Controller



Behind the scenes at Stanstead Air Traffic Control



Air Traffic Control
Apprenticeship



Useful Websites

<u>Air traffic controller | Explore careers | National</u> Careers Service

Trainee Air Traffic Controllers - NATS

<u>Air traffic controller job profile |</u>
<u>Prospects.ac.uk</u>

Air Traffic Controllers | Career profile | UCAS

RAF Recruitment | Air & Space Operations Specialist (Flight Operations) | Royal Air Force (mod.uk)

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