

GEOTECHNICAL TECHNICIAN SUB SURFACE SOUTH EAST

At Sub Surface, we are committed to **building better from the ground up.**

Established in 1972, Sub Surface is a nationally recognised company in ground investigation, geotechnical, and environmental services. With offices across the North West (Head Office), North East, Midlands, and South East, we take pride in delivering high-quality data and practical, reliable solutions that support our clients in managing risk and delivering safe, sustainable development.

The Opportunity

We are seeking a Geotechnical Technician to join our growing South East team, based in High Wycombe.

This is a site-focused role supporting the delivery of ground investigation projects across a wide range of projects, from major infrastructure, defence and energy projects to commercial and residential developments.

Working closely with our Contracts Manager, you will play a key role in organising and delivering site investigations, gaining hands-on experience across all aspects of site works.

Why Sub Surface?

We offer more than just a role. We offer the opportunity to grow within a business focused on continuous improvement and long-term success.

- Exposure to a wide range of ground investigation projects
- A supportive, team-based working environment
- Opportunities to develop technical and practical skills
- A culture built on quality, reliability, and practical problem-solving

The Role

As a Geotechnical Technician, you will support the delivery of ground investigation projects, working closely with our Contracts Manager and subcontractors.

Key responsibilities include:

- Assisting with the setup, organisation, and supervision of site investigation works
- Setting out exploratory hole locations and undertaking CAT scanning
- Supervising drilling operations and site activities
- Carrying out in-situ testing (e.g. CBR, plate bearing, soakaways, permeability testing)
- Hand excavation of trial pits to expose foundations, services, and obtain samples
- Monitoring and sampling of groundwater and landfill gas
- Transporting equipment, materials, and samples
- Logging soils in accordance with British and European standards
- Liaising with subcontractors and clients on site
- Supporting safe and efficient site operations

You may also be required to undertake occasional work for our Midlands office or visit Head Office in Preston.

What we're Looking For

We are looking for a practical and reliable individual who is keen to develop within a hands-on, site-based role.

Essential:

- Full UK driving licence (clean preferred)
- Willingness to work on site in varying conditions
- Good communication skills and ability to work with clients and subcontractors
- Ability to work independently and take initiative

Desirable:

- Previous experience in ground investigation or construction
- BTEC Construction or similar qualification
- Basic understanding of ground investigation techniques

Full training will be provided for the right candidate.

Working Arrangements & Benefits

- Full-time role – site-based (South East)
- Monday to Friday (occasional weekend work and overnight stays may be required)
- 37.5 hours per week
- Early starts required to meet 8:00am site attendance



- Competitive salary (dependent on experience)
- 24 days annual leave plus bank holidays
- Use of company pickup when working on site
- Annual salary review
- Free parking
- Sick pay

Our Approach

At Sub Surface, we combine technical expertise with a practical, hands-on approach. We work closely with our clients to deliver safe, economical, and sustainable outcomes.

We are committed to continuous improvement in everything we do, from how we deliver projects to how we develop our people.

Apply

We are a collaborative team working across office and site environments, focused on delivering high-quality work and developing our people.

If you are looking to start or develop your career in ground investigation, please send your CV and current salary details to:

careers@subsurface.co.uk

(Use the job title and your name as the email subject)

For more information, visit: www.subsurface.co.uk

