**UNISON**

**Yorkshire and Humberside Region**

**CLERICAL ASSISTANT**

**R13/74**

**Job description:**

Grade 9

Salary £21,696

Hours 35 per week, Monday to Friday – standard office hours

Location Y&H Regional Office, Leeds

Reports to Head of Corporate Services

Accountable to Regional Secretary

Overall summary:

The post-holder will work as part of the Corporate Services Team and will be responsible for providing day to day clerical and general assistant support to the administration of the office.

Key tasks and responsibilities:

* To deal with incoming and outgoing mail
* To provide reception duties
* To deal with telephone enquiries and retrieving and dealing with messages left on the enquiry line
* To assist with the production and distribution of all outgoing mail including photocopying and scanning of documents
* To assist with the Regional archiving process
* To provide cover for the General Assistant in periods of absence or particularly busy times which will involve moving meeting tables and chairs
* To assist with the booking of meeting rooms, refreshments and lunch orders
* To ensure that good housekeeping practices are followed
* To undertake basic RMS data inputting duties
* To undertake simple copy typing
* To contribute to the development of effective communications and team working
* To ensure that working practices and relationships with members and staff promote and comply with UNISON’s aims and policies, particularly concerning proportionality, fair representation and equal opportunities
* Any other duties appropriate to the general role of Clerical Assistant

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**Person Specification**

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The successful applicant will have the following skills and abilities:

Administrative:

* Good experience of general administration
* Excellent interpersonal and organisational skills
* Good written and verbal communication skills

Specialist/Technical:

* Experience of dealing with a switchboard
* IT skills including Microsoft office

General:

* A flexible attitude and approach and the ability to prioritise
* Ability to use own initiative, be pro-active and work as part of a team
* Ability to maintain confidentiality
* Understanding the role of trade unions or similar organisations in dealing with members’ problems.