

JOB OF THE WEEK



Entomologist

An entomologist is a person who studies insects. Entomology is sometimes considered a subset of wildlife biology, so an entomologist is like a bug biologist.

What is it?

Day to day tasks

As an Entomologist, you will be responsible for:

- Monitor insect feeding behaviour, insect physiology, plant-insect interactions, insect feeding biology.
- Visit farm and other research trial plots to collect insect samples.
- Weigh, formulate and apply experimental and commercial insecticides to pest targets and their habitats.
- Prepare and deliver documented proposals and reports for establish research trials.
- Design and implementation of research plans to support the selection of new insecticide products.
- Manage trial establishment and collection of data.
- Budget for research work and provide management reporting regarding trial/research progress.



Qualifications

Entrants usually possess a degree. Entry may also be possible with an appropriate BTEC/SQA award, an Advanced GNVQ/GSVQ Level III, or other academic qualifications. Further specialist training is provided on the job. Some employers may expect entrants to gain professional qualifications.

Salary

£42,120
average salary

The UK average salary is £29,813

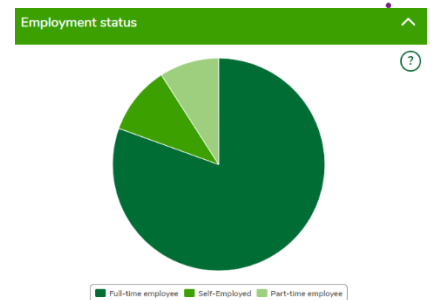
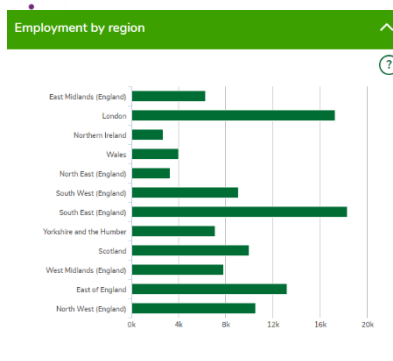
37
average weekly hours

There are 37.5 hours in the average working week

59% male
41% female

The UK workforce is 47% female and 53% male

Jobs and labour market



Routes into the industry

Once you leave school, it would be recommended that you go on to study a course with a focus on agriculture, science including Biology and Chemistry and Mathematics.

