



We are recruiting

Job Title:	Technical & Livestock Manager of Youngstock and Dairy Operations
Our business:	<p>Thomasson Farms are a family-run business based near Nantwich in Cheshire. The business milks over 3000 high yielding Holstein cows across 4 milking units. The youngstock operation provides over 1500 high genetic merit replacement heifers per year to the dairy farms and operates from three dedicated sites.</p> <p>The cattle are fully housed on an all-year calving system with annual yields surpassing 13,000 litres. All facilities are modern and well maintained and the business prides itself on dairying to the highest standards.</p>
Reports to:	Senior management dairy operations team.
Summary of Role:	<p>This role will work closely with the farm's employed veterinarian and report to the senior management of the dairy farming operations. This role requires a high level of stockmanship, practical management and organisational skills and the technical competence to ensure the youngstock rearing operations function to the highest level of operational efficiency. Your technical skill set will also provide support to the herd managers on the four milking units.</p>
Salary/Grade:	Salary range £35 to £45K with bonus scheme.
Date:	

Role-specific Responsibilities:

Control of the day-to-day management of the youngstock rearing operation.

Supporting the farm veterinarian and the dairy operations teams with key technical skills and carry out:

- Fertility management including artificial insemination and pregnancy scanning.
- Assisting with our extensive embryo transfer programme and farm research activities.
- Weighing, recording and the analysis of performance data.
- Identification and treatment of common ailments in the livestock under your care.
- Herd health management e.g. implementing vaccination programmes.
- Management of lameness and mobility in the youngstock herd.

Other aspects of the role:

- Communicate effectively with the management and administrative teams to providing reports such as growth rates and health records.
- Assist with training and developing staff in the dairy teams to grow their skill set and capabilities and better undertake their duties in the care of the animals.

You:

You will have a full UK driving licence and be able to demonstrate strong experience within the dairy industry. The business has a strong training ethos and will invest in the right individual. You will be a hard-working, honest and reliable person who is happy to adapt to challenging scenarios. You will also be organised and self-motivated with strong interpersonal communication skills and be able to manage and work effectively with the farm teams.

The Benefits:

We will provide a competitive salary based on your experience and sociable working hours. The business is committed to long-term personal development, and you will be supported to remain competent and current in your knowledge and skills through self-directed continued professional development and attending training courses. Your skills and experience is important for this role, but we are also looking for the individual who matches our farms values, alongside positive behaviours and attitudes.

The role would suit a recent graduate from an agricultural or veterinary background, or an experienced herdsman looking for a new challenge with a passion for large dairy herd management.

The successful applicant will be organised and self-motivated with strong interpersonal communication skills and be able to work effectively with the different farm teams.

All applications treated in the strictest confidence.

Location

Our farm is based in Worleston near Nantwich with excellent schools, leisure, pubs, and bus routes nearby.

Accommodation is not currently available however assistance can be provided to find something suitable locally as part of the entire package for the right candidate.

To apply for this position or for more information please send an email to admin@alhfarm.com with your CV or some details about yourself and a contact number.

