

Hiring Your First Employee: Checklist

Planning and Prep
Decide their role
Determine their salary/wage
Estimate NICs, insurance and other costs of employing staff
Plan and implement office/equipment changes
Recruitment
Write job advert
Advertise vacancy
Filter candidates
Hold interviews
Check 'right to work'
Offer the job
Carry out pre-employment checks
One-off Admin Tasks
Written statement of employment particulars (within two months of employment start
date)
Take out employers' liability insurance
Register as an employer (before first pay day)
Choose how to run payroll (in-house or outsourced?)
Set up an auto-enrolment pension scheme
Provide keys and accounts (email etc.)
Ongoing Admin
Run payroll

Manage pension scheme and make contributions	
Follow health and safety rules	
Track attendance, hours and leave	
Manage benefits/perks	
Maintain employee records	

