# Just the Job Information Sheet

#### Job title

Solicitor at Inland Revenue

#### Job description

Everyone at Inland Revenue makes an important contribution to the social and economic wellbeing of New Zealanders through the work they do each day. That's because Inland Revenue collects over 80% of the money our Government uses to pay for the things that make New Zealand a great place to live, like hospitals and schools.

Most Kiwis pay the right amount of tax, but there are a few who don't. As a Solicitor at Inland Revenue, you'll help ensure that New Zealanders meet their tax and social policy obligations.

Inland Revenue Solicitors do a range of legal work. They use their tax and legal knowledge, strong communication skills and eye for detail to:

- provide legal advice to Inland Revenue staff on how the law applies in specific circumstances
- play a role in taking large or small cases to court
- make sure Inland Revenue meets its legal obligations as an organisation.

## **Qualifications required**

For "graduate" level opportunities in one of our legal areas, you need to:

- hold a law degree (with a taxation paper)
- hold, or be working towards, a current practising certificate.

It's also beneficial to have some tax or legal experience before applying.

Inland Revenue is one of New Zealand's most trusted organisations. You must successfully complete a tax check and criminal record check before you can become part of the team.

## **Training costs**

Inland Revenue provides training and coaching to enable Solicitors to build the skills and knowledge they need to be effective at work.

Inland Revenue is committed to supporting its people to develop the skills they need to succeed. All team members are supported to set and achieve relevant development goals.

#### Career path

There are many different paths you can take to build a rewarding career at Inland Revenue. Getting a start in one of five contact centres across the country while you study is a great way to build solid tax technical and business knowledge. This

experience could help you move on to other roles at Inland Revenue, including Solicitor.

There are legal support roles in some areas of Inland Revenue. If you're keen to launch a career in tax law, these roles could help you build the skills and knowledge you need to move into a Solicitor role down the track.

Solicitors can progress to more advanced roles by developing and demonstrating the skills and knowledge required to successfully manage increasingly complex legal issues.

### How to increase the chances of successfully entering this industry

Different roles with Inland Revenue have different entry requirements.

Take a look at the range of legal careers at Inland Revenue if you:

- have a can-do attitude and are keen to keep learning and growing
- have strong critical thinking and decision-making skills
- have good communication skills and a commitment to working collaboratively
- demonstrate integrity and professionalism in what you say and do
- are keen to make a difference through the work you do each day.

## Other places to source information about this job

Visit Inland Revenue's career website to learn more about:

- the range of career opportunities available
- their commitment to developing their people
- the range of benefits available to their team.

www.ird.govt.nz/careers