



Assistant Meteorological Technician: Marion Island (2 posts) (15 Months Contract) (OC22/2016)

Salary: R171 069 P/A (plus 37% lieu in benefits. Permanent SAWS employees will have a different payment structure of benefits).

Centre: Marion Island Base

Requirements:

- BSc Degree in science or Matric with pure Mathematics. Candidates with only a matric qualification must have also passed either physical science or geography. Candidates must be willing to work shifts (both day and night shifts); and on public holidays in possible adverse weather conditions
- Candidates must be punctual, dedicated, precise and able to work in a team, as well as on their own..

Duties:

- Assist and actively participate in the running of the surface meteorological and atmospheric research project assigned by the Marine Section of SAWS;
- Perform surface meteorological observations, do upperair balloon releases and maintain and verify all equipment at the remote station of Marion Island;
- All work must be done in accordance with the rules, regulations and standards as set out by the South African Weather Service;
- Minimal administrative duties will include quality controlling of data and report writing if required by the senior meteorological technician;
- Logistical duties will include but not limited to assistance to other expedition members if and when required.

Note: The incumbent will execute duties at a Sub/Antarctic Base and adhere to the health, safety and environmental requirements. The successful applicant will spend a full year (April 2017 to May 2018) at Marion Island base. There is no option to return to South Africa before May 2018. The ability to work and live with small groups of people is thus essential. Although the base is well-equipped with e-mail, fax and satellite telephone facilities, the applicant has to be self-sufficient and self-motivated. The location may affect both the physical and mental well-being of the incumbent, their family and close relationships. Candidates must be physically fit, mentally strong and prepared for physically challenging and satisfying work. In addition the successful candidates may often be called upon to work long hours in extreme conditions on duties unrelated to their function. Short-listed candidates will be subjected to screening and security vetting to determine their suitability for employment. Appointment to these positions is subject to a rigorous medical examination, which will be arranged for at no cost to the applicants.

For Attention: Human Resource Management

Closing Date: 30 September 2016

Enquiries: TK Rasehlomi, tel: (021) 935 5700

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- All applications must be submitted on a [Z83 application form](#) [PDF] accompanied by certified copies of qualifications,
 - Take note that the department will verify all qualifications and experience and that original documents must be submitted on appointment and all qualifications obtained abroad will be evaluated by SAQA.
 - Short listed candidates will be subjected to screening and security vetting to determine the suitability of a person for employment.
 - Senior Management candidates to be subjected to competency assessment, signing of an employment contract and performance agreement.
 - If you have not been contacted within three months after the closing date of this advertisement, please accept that your application was unsuccessful.
 - The department reserves the right not to make an appointment.
 - People with disabilities are encouraged to apply
 - Consideration will be given to applicants who meet the minimum requirements of advertised posts.
 - Relaxation of qualification requirements may be considered for non-OSD posts.
 - Applications should be forwarded to the **Director-General, Department of Environmental Affairs, Private Bag X4390, Cape Town, 8000. OR Hand deliver to Department of Environmental Affairs, 14 Loop Street Cape Town.**