



water & sanitation

Department:
Water and Sanitation
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION
CLOSING DATE: 6 March 2026

NOTE: Interested applicants must submit their applications via the online link <https://erecruitment.dws.gov.za> Other related documentation such as copies of qualifications, identity document, driver's license etc need not to accompany the application when applying for a post as such documentation must only be produced by shortlisted candidates during the interview date in line with DPSA circular 19 of 2022. With reference to applicants bearing professional or occupational registration, fields provided in Part B on the online Z83 must be completed as these fields are regarded as compulsory. Failure to complete or disclose all required information will automatically disqualify the applicant. No late applications will be accepted. Shortlisted candidates will be subjected to suitability checks (SAQA verification, reference checks criminal and credit checks). SAQA evaluation certificate must accompany foreign qualifications (only when shortlisted). Applications that do not comply with the above-mentioned requirements will not be considered. All shortlisted candidates pertaining to Senior Management Services (SMS) posts will be subjected to a technical and competency assessment and a pre-entry certificate obtained from the National School of government is required prior to the appointment. All shortlisted candidates, including the SMS, shall undertake two pre-entry assessments. One will be a practical exercise to determine a candidate's suitability based on the post's technical and generic requirements and the other must be an integrity (ethical conduct) assessment. Candidates will be required to complete a financial disclosure form and undergo security clearance. Foreigners or dual citizenship holders must provide a police clearance certificate from country of origin (only when shortlisted). The Department of Water Sanitation is an equal opportunity employer. In the filling of vacant posts, the objectives of section 195 (1) (i) of the Constitution of South Africa, 1996 (Act No: 108 of 1996) the Employment Equity imperatives as defined by the Employment Equity Act, 1998 (Act No: 55 of 1998) and relevant Human Resources policies of the Department will be taken into consideration. Correspondence will be limited to short-listed candidates only. If you do not hear from us within three (3) months of this advertisement, please accept that your application has been unsuccessful. Faxed applications will not be considered. The department reserves the right not to fill these positions. Women and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply and preference will be given to the EE Targets.

POST: CHIEF ENGINEER GRADE A: DAM SAFETY REGULATION REF NO: 060326/01
BRANCH: REGULATION COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT DIR: DAM SAFETY REGULATION
SALARY: R 1 266 450 - R 1 446 921 per annum (All-inclusive OSD salary package)

NOTE: This appointment will be made on the minimum notch of the salary range, however, a higher notch within the salary range of Grade A will be considered based in relation to the provisions of the Public Service Regulation 2016 as amended, i.e. provision of the candidate's current salary advice.

CENTRE: Pretoria Head Office

REQUIREMENTS: An Engineering degree (B Eng / BSc (Eng) in Civil Engineering. Six (6) years' post qualification experience in Civil Engineering field. Compulsory registration with ECSA as a Professional Engineer. The disclosure of a valid unexpired driver's license. Willingness to travel throughout South Africa for the execution of some of the duties. Extensive dam engineering experience related to design, flood hydrology, construction, management and safety of dams. Knowledge of the water sector and relevant legislation. Sound interpersonal, conflict resolution and leadership skills. Computer literacy and strong verbal and written communication skills.

DUTIES: Investigate, analyse and recommend classification of dams. Evaluate and investigate engineering aspects of license applications for the construction of new dams, alteration of existing dams, first filing and operational aspects of dams. Monitor the safety evaluation and investigation reports and carry out risk assessments. Follow up on dam safety betterment work with owners of dams. Develop/maintain guidelines and policies on dams with safety risk. Liaise with regional officials, dam owners, professional engineers and the public. Give presentations and advice on dam safety matters and legislation. Supervise and train Engineering Technicians as required. Generate reports and statistics to measure progress with the Dam Safety Programme.

ENQUIRIES: Mr WM Ramokopa Tel No: 082 328 4189

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