



## water & sanitation

Department:  
Water and Sanitation  
**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION  
CLOSING DATE: 20 February 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.

**NOTE:** The Pongola-Umzimkulu Catchment Management Agency is a Public Water Resource Management Agency, established in line with the provisions of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act no 36 of 1998) (NWA) and National Water Policy for South Africa. It is an entity of the National Department of Water and Sanitation. Employees appointed in the CMA have similar employment terms and conditions as those of employees appointed in terms of the Public Service Act, though not employed in terms of the Public Service Act.

POST: ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER: SPECIALISED PRODUCTION REF NO: **PUCMA 12 X2 POSTS**

BRANCH: PONGOLA-UMZIMKHULU CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AGENCY

DIVISION: WATER USE AUTHORISATION AND REGISTRATION

SALARY: R498 816 per annum (OSD)

CENTRE: Durban

**REQUIREMENTS:** A relevant Honours Degree in Environmental studies or related fields (NQF level 8). Experience in the field of Water Quality Management will serve as an advantage. The disclosure of a valid unexpired drivers license. A good understanding of Integrated Water Resources Management will be an added advantage. Knowledge of and experience in project management and research. Interpersonal relations/conflict management, negotiation and facilitation skills. Excellent communication skills, including verbal, report writing and presentation skills. Computer literacy.

**DUTIES:** Provide support and input in the development of policies and strategies to manage sector water use impacts in accordance with the National Water Act 36 of 1998 and other departmental policies and strategies. Assist with the supervision of staff. Undertake both routine and special investigations and work irregular hours. Prepare reports and interpret analytical results. Assist in the evaluation of water use license application, reports and other documents submitted in accordance with policy, procedures and guidelines relevant to Water Quality Management. Make recommendations regarding the issuing of licenses. Promote water conservation and efficient water utilisation through the authorisation process. Give inputs in the projects relevant to the management of water resources initiated by the Department. Assist in the management of the water management systems.

**ENQUIRIES:** Mr Jay Reddy, Tel No: 082 803 1817

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