



water & sanitation

Department:
Water and Sanitation
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION
CLOSING DATE: 27 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.

POST: SCIENTIST MANAGER GRADE A REF NO: 270226/02

(Readvertisement, applicants who have previously applied must reapply)

BRANCH: WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DIR: RESOURCE QUALITY INFORMATION SERVICES SALARY: R1 099 488 per annum (All-inclusive OSD salary package)

CENTRE: Pretoria (Roodeplaats)

REQUIREMENTS: An MSc degree or relevant qualification in Numerical, Earth or Natural Science. Six (6) years post BSc Natural Scientific experience. Compulsory registration with the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions (SACNASP) as a Professional Natural Scientist. The disclosure of a valid unexpired driver's licence. A certification in information systems analysis, design, and development, backed by relevant experience. Working knowledge of National Water Act, 1998 (Act No 36 of 1998), related legislation policies. Computer literacy. Knowledge of PFMA and Occupational Health and Safety Act. Planning and organising, people management, conflict management, negotiation, change management skills. Mentoring of candidate scientists. Experience in design, development and maintenance of water resources information systems. Experience in information systems project management and financial management skills. Good communication, presentation, and networking skills. Ability to review technical and scientific reports and provide recommendations. Technical report writing skills. Ability to provide technical and scientific support to Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) units and other government departments. Professional Judgment. The ability to work independently, to interact with internal/external stakeholders, Professional Service Providers (PSPs) and planning partners in the water sector. Working knowledge of research and development. Computer aided scientist applications. Creation of high-performance culture. Sound administrative skills and a demonstrated commitment to service delivery.

DUTIES: Provide leadership and management to the Sub-directorate: Resource Quality Information. Lead the analysis, design, development and maintenance of water quality information databases and systems. Lead, coordinate and develop methodology for the analysis and generation of water resource quality data, information and knowledge products. Develop and implement water resource quality information dissemination tools. Lead and coordinate technical reporting and publication of water resource quality information, through reports, publications and websites. Review scientific documents and publications on water resource quality information. Lead and coordinate training of the DWS officials and the DWS entities on the use of water resource quality information databases and systems. Compile technical, scientific, performance reports, project plan and reports, audit reports, risk reports, operational plan, demand management plan and procurement plan.

ENQUIRIES: Ms T Masilela, Tel No: (012) 808 9619

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