

MAURITIUS PUBLIC SERVICE

PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT NO. 161 OF 2023

Vacancies for Post of Fisheries Protection Officer
Ministry of Blue Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping
(Fisheries Development)

Applications are invited from qualified candidates who wish to be considered for appointment as Fisheries Protection Officer in the Ministry of Blue Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping (Fisheries Development).

II. AGE LIMIT

Candidates should be between **18** and **30** years of age by the closing date for submission of applications.

III. QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates should –

- A. possess a Cambridge School Certificate with credit in Mathematics or Principles of Accounts and a Science subject obtained on one certificate or passes obtained on one certificate at the General Certificate of Education “Ordinary Level” in at least five subjects including English Language and with at least Grade C in Mathematics or Principles of Accounts and any Science subject or an equivalent qualification acceptable to the Public Service Commission.
- B. have a good physique with their **Body Mass Index (BMI)** values ranging between **18.50 and 24.99** and they should be able to undergo moderate physical exercise. They should have a normal eyesight (without glasses or contact lenses) and also satisfy the following minimum requirements:

For Male Candidates

Height : 1 m 70 cm

Chest Measurement : 84 cm
(normal inspiration)

For Female Candidates

Height : 1 m 63 cm

- C. (i) possess a private car driving licence (manual gear); and
(ii) be computer literate.

Note

1. Candidates should produce written evidence of knowledge claimed **and submit a copy of their driving licence together with their application form.**
2. Candidates will be required to pass a swimming test for a distance of at least 25 metres at a stretch to be conducted by the Public Service Commission.
3. **The onus for the submission of written evidence of knowledge claimed and equivalence of qualification (if applicable) from the relevant authorities (Higher Education Commission or Mauritius Qualifications Authority) rests on the candidates. Applications will not be considered in case of non-submission of written evidence of knowledge claimed and Equivalence Certificate, as appropriate, by the closing date.**
4. The weight measurement of candidates will also be taken for the purpose of computation of their **Body Mass Index (BMI).**

The formula for the calculation of the **Body Mass Index (BMI)** is:

$$\text{BMI} = \frac{\text{W (in kg)}}{\text{H}^2 \text{ (in metre)}}, \text{ where } \mathbf{W} \text{ is the weight and } \mathbf{H} \text{ is the height of the candidate}$$

5. The Commission reserves the right:
 - (i) to convene **only** the best qualified candidates for interview; and
 - (ii) not to make any appointment following this advertisement.

NOTE

Selected candidates will be required to -

- (i) undergo training in self-defence and in the use of weapons with the Police Force;
- (ii) undergo a medical test to be carried out by the Ministry of Health and Wellness to assess their eyesight; and
- (iii) obtain a service driving licence (manual gear) for vehicles up to 2.5 tons.

IV. DUTIES AND SALARY

1. To assist the Senior Fisheries Protection Officer or any other senior officer in the performance of his duties.
2. To enforce the Fisheries legislations, regulations and any other law related to fisheries which officers of the Fisheries Protection Service are empowered to enforce.
3. To perform enforcement duties on land and at sea including the landing of fish.
4. To carry out enquiries, prepare case files, depone in court and assist in the execution of search warrants.
5. To drive, whenever required, official vehicles for coast patrol and to man patrol boats during afloat patrol.
6. To collect data and assist in all matters relating to fishermen, fisheries management, marine resources and marine conservation and keep record thereof.
7. To communicate daily with the Meteorological Services regarding weather conditions.
8. To operate equipment such as radio, telephone, fax machine, echosounders, digital camera, Global Positioning System (GPS), audiovisuals, computers and speed detectors.
9. To perform simple clerical duties pertaining to finance and stores, and to prepare and process straightforward documents and records.
10. To check and detect importation of illegal fishing gear.
11. To work in collaboration with other Ministries/Departments and organisations to enforce the Fisheries legislations.
12. To participate in the training and sensitisation of fishermen and other stakeholders.
13. To use ICT in the performance of his duties.
14. To perform such other duties directly related to the main duties listed above or related to the delivery of the output and results expected from the Fisheries Protection Officer in the roles ascribed to him.

Note

1. Fisheries Protection Officers may be posted to any Fisheries Post of the Fisheries Division and will be required to work on a shift system covering a 24-hour service including Saturdays, Sundays, Public Holidays and officially declared cyclone days and may also be called upon to work longer hours in case of emergency.
2. Fisheries Protection Officers may be called upon to walk on the seabed up to one metre water level, swim and skin dive for which training will be provided.

The permanent and pensionable post carries salary in scale Rs 16,785 x 260 - 17,825 x 275 - 18,925 x 300 - 19,525 x 325 - 21,475 x 375 - 22,225 x 400 - 23,425 x 525 - 26,050 x 675 - 27,400 x 825 - 34,825 a month.

V. MODE OF APPLICATION

1. Qualified candidates should submit their application on **PSC Form 7** which may be obtained **either** from the Enquiry Counter of the Ministry of Public Service, Administrative and Institutional Reforms, Ground Floor, Emmanuel Anquetil Building, Port Louis **or** from the Enquiry Counter of the Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side **or** from the Chief Commissioner's Office, Port Mathurin, Rodrigues **or** from the offices of the Mauritius High Commissions/Embassies overseas.
2. Candidates already in the service **should** submit their Application Form **in duplicate**, the original to be sent directly to the Secretary, Public Service Commission and the duplicate through their respective Supervising Officer/Responsible Officer.
3. This advertisement together with the Application Form (PSC Form 7) are available on the website of the Public Service Commission at **<https://psc.govmu.org>**
4. Acknowledgement of applications will be made, as far as possible, by **e-mail**. Candidates are, therefore, advised to submit their e-mail address.
5. Candidates are also advised to read carefully the **"NOTES AND INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES"** before filling in the Application Form. Care should be taken to fill in the Application Form correctly. **Incomplete, inadequate or inaccurate filling of the Application Form may entail elimination of the candidate.**

VI. CLOSING DATE

Application Forms should reach the Secretary, Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side, **not later than 15 00 hours (local time) on Tuesday 19 December 2023.** Application Forms received after the specified closing date and time will **not** be considered.

Date: 06 December 2023

Public Service Commission,
7, Louis Pasteur Street,
FOREST SIDE.