

MAURITIUS PUBLIC SERVICE

PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT NO. 93 OF 2025

Vacancies for Post of Animal Care Officer

Ministry of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries **(Agro-Industry and Food Security Division)**

Applications are invited from qualified candidates who wish to be considered for appointment as Animal Care Officer in the Ministry of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries (Agro-Industry and Food Security Division).

II. AGE LIMIT

Candidates should be between **18** and **40** years of age by the closing date for the submission of applications.

III. QUALIFICATIONS

- A. Candidates should possess a Cambridge Higher School Certificate with a pass at "Principal Level" in Mathematics and Chemistry or Physics or Biology or Passes in at least two subjects including Mathematics and Chemistry or Physics or Biology obtained on one certificate at the General Certificate of Education "Advanced Level" or an equivalent qualification acceptable to the Public Service Commission.
- B. Candidate should 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 strenuous 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

Chest Measurement: 84 cm
(normal inspiration)

For female candidates

Height: 1 m 63

- C. Candidates should –
- (i) have knowledge of basic animal care;
 - (ii) possess good organising, communication and interpersonal skills;

- (iii) possess a valid driving licence (manual gear); and
- (iv) be computer literate.

NOTE

Selected candidates will be appointed in a temporary capacity in the first instance and will be required to undergo on-the-job training in all aspects of animal control for a period of at least six months, as approved and arranged by the Ministry. On satisfactory completion of the training and on being favourably reported upon, they will be considered for appointment as Animal Care Officer in a substantive capacity.

Note

1. Candidates should produce written evidence of knowledge claimed.
2. **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 with 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.**
3. Candidates may be required to take part in a written examination.
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:

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

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.

IV. DUTIES AND SALARY

1. To assist –
 - (i) officers in the Division of Veterinary Services/Livestock in the implementation and enforcement of regulations in force relating to the care and keeping of animals;

- (ii) members of the Police Force in the investigation of cases of cruelty to animals and the prosecution of these cases in court, in accordance with relevant legislation in force; and
 - (iii) officers in the Veterinary Officer Cadre in visiting kennels and registration of animals.
2. To visit land and premises in suspected cases of cruelty to animals.
 3. To seize and take custody of animals subject to cruelty.
 4. To issue a written notice of non-compliance to owners, as and when necessary.
 5. To manage the impounded animal or any animal taken into custody.
 6. To maintain a register and an updated list of animal breeders.
 7. To capture and impound ill-treated animals or stray animals and to ensure their feeding and care.
 8. To issue warnings or citations in connection with animal-related offences, with the approval of the head of section.
 9. To write report of activities and maintain records of impounded and ill-treated animals.
 10. To answer queries from the public concerning animal control operations.
 11. To use ICT in the performance of his duties.
 12. 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 Animal Care Officer in the roles ascribed to him.

Note

Animal Care Officers will be required to work outside normal working hours, at night, and on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays.

The permanent and pensionable post carries salary in scale Rs 17,305 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 – 35,650 x 900 – 36,550 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 and Administrative 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 Thursday 11 December 2025**. Application Forms received after the specified closing date and time will **not** be considered.

Date: 28 November 2025

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