

POST 26/16 : SCIENTIFIC TECHNICIAN (PRODUCTION) GRADE A-C (OSD) REF NO: 44/2015

Directorate: Inspection Services

SALARY : R222 150 – R340 539 per annum (salary to be determined according to experience in line with the OSD dispensation)

CENTRE : Stellenbosch

REQUIREMENTS : Applicants must be in possession of a National Diploma or a Bachelor's (BSc, BTech or BAgri) degree with any Biological Science as a major subject (you are required to furnish a credit certificate and/or statement of results). 3 year's postqualification experience. Relevant natural scientific experience after first tertiary qualification obtained. Compulsory registration (or proof of your application for registration) with the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions (SACNASP) as (at least) a Certificated Natural Scientist (copy of the Registration Certificate must be attached). Knowledge of and experience in scientific methodologies, research and development of scientific techniques. The ability to analyse data and prepare and present technical reports. Supervisory and mentoring skills. Computer literacy in MS Office software. A valid drivers' licence. Experience in entomology or acarology, laboratory or molecular biology techniques and knowledge of plant or insect quarantine regulations and procedures. A practical skills test will be performed during the interview to assess capabilities in a biological laboratory and entomological and/or acarological knowledge.

DUTIES : The successful candidate will be responsible for the detection of insects and mites on internationally-traded plant products. Detect, collect, prepare, identify and manage mite specimens. Maintain reference material and recordkeeping systems. Adhere to quarantine operational standards, methodologies, policies, systems, and procedures. Analyse data, prepare and present technical reports. Provide technical support and information. Maintain, calibrate and operate scientific equipment. Supervise personnel (mentoring, training and developing, supervising technical support and performance management).

ENQUIRIES : Ms D. Saccaggi, tel. (021) 809-1600

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CLOSING DATE : 17 July 2015

APPLICATIONS : Applications must be submitted electronically to Human Communications via email: daff@humanjobs.co.za or via fax: 086 609 2116 or online at: www.humanjobs.co.za Human Communication has been retained to handle all responses. Please forward your application, quoting the relevant reference number, to PO Box 1305, Rivonia, 2128 or hand deliver at 3 Autumn Street, Rivonia, or you can apply online at www.humanjobs.co.za Applications can also be submitted electronically to Human Communications via e-mail: daff@humanjobs.co.za or via fax: 086 609 2116 or hand delivered at any one of the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries regional offices as indicated below (please place in the blue box marked for applications). Enquiries: Chipo, tel. (011) 257 8012. Gauteng: Reception, Agriculture Place, 20 Steve Biko Street (formerly Beatrix Street), Arcadia, Pretoria KwaZulu-Natal: Reception (5th Floor), Old Mutual Building, 185

Langalibalele Street, Pietermaritzburg Limpopo: Reception (Ground Floor), Magistrates Building, 103
cnr Landdros and Munnik Streets, Makhado Mpumalanga: Reception (2nd Floor), Permanent
Building, 27 Brown Street, Nelspruit Eastern Cape: Reception (Ground Floor), Old SABC Building, 2
Hargreaves Avenue, King William's Town Reception (2nd Floor), PRD Building, Sutherland Street,
Mthatha Western Cape: Reception (Ground Floor), Foretrust Building, 3 Martin Hammerschlag Way,
Foreshore, Cape Town Reception (Support Building), Quarantine Station, Polkadraai Road,
Stellenbosch

NOTE : Applications must be submitted on a Z83 Form, obtainable from any Public Service
department or on the internet at <http://www.daff.co.za/doaDev/doc/Z83.pdf> which must be signed
(an unsigned Z83 form will disqualify an application) and should be accompanied by a recently
updated, comprehensive CV as well as copies of all qualification(s) (Matric certificate must also be
attached) and ID document and driver's licence (where applicable). Non-RSA Citizens/Permanent
Resident Permit Holders must attach a copy of his/her Permanent Residence Permit to his/her
application. Should you be in possession of a foreign qualification, it must be accompanied by an
evaluation certificate from the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA). Failure to submit all
the requested documents will result in the application not being considered. Correspondence will be
limited to short-listed candidates only. If you have not been contacted within three (3) months of
the closing date of this advertisement, please accept that your application was unsuccessful. Suitable
candidates will be subjected to a personnel suitability check (criminal record check, citizenship
verification, financial/asset record check, qualification/study verification and previous employment
verification). Successful candidates will also be subjected to security clearance processes. Where
applicable, candidates will be subjected to a skills/knowledge test. Successful candidates will be
appointed on a probation period of twelve (12) months. The Department reserves the right not to
make appointment(s) to the advertised post(s). Applications submitted via e-mail, fax or online must
include the post title and reference number in the subject line and a scanned, signed Z83 form (a Z83
form without a physical signature will disqualify an application) together with all relevant documents
as indicated above. Persons with disability are encouraged to apply.