



EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT

Applications are invited for the permanent position of

SENIOR TECHNICIAN: TECHNICAL OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND PROJECTS (Mechanical) at uShaka Sea World's Technical Department

The core responsibilities will include:

- To ensure the continuous operation of Life Support System (LSS) equipment and systems, by conducting mechanical, electrical and instrumentation maintenance on all LSS equipment and plant, as and when assigned to do so by the assistant manager.
- To ensure the reliability of SAAMBR's vehicles through regular inspections and maintenance.
- To assist with LSS operations, as and when assigned to do so.

Minimum requirements for the position:

- Grade 12 / N3 / NQF Level 4 (preferably in a technical or engineering field) is essential.
- National Trade Test Certificate as a Fitter or Millwright is essential (Millwright trade test would be preferable).
- Proven, evidence-based 2–4 years' experience in a supervisory/foreman role is essential.
- 5 – 10 years of plant experience is essential (preferably in a water treatment or similar environment).
- Valid Code B (o8) driver's licence is essential.
- Must have own transport or be able to reach the site within 1 hour after hours.
- Sound working knowledge of the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993) is essential.
- Competent computer literacy, including MS Word and MS Excel, is essential.

Advantageous (not essential):

- Supervisory management certification.
- National Diploma in Mechanical Engineering or equivalent tertiary qualification.
- A competent level of understanding of Labour Law and its practical implementation.

Additional competencies and attributes:

- Strong problem-solving and analytical skills.
- Ability to work independently and within a team environment.
- Good communication (ability to read, write and speak English fluently) and interpersonal skills.
- High level of integrity, responsibility and attention to detail.
- Willingness to work after hours, weekends and in operational environments (including heights and confined spaces).
- Physically fit and capable of performing demanding technical tasks and be able to lift 30kg.
- Willingness to be multi-skilled and to grow within the organisation.

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SAAMBR is a Non-Profit Company and a member of: IUCN (World Conservation Union) and WAZA (World Association of Zoos and Aquariums)

Accredited member of AAWHC (African Association for Wildlife in Human Care)

ORI is academically affiliated with the University of KwaZulu-Natal

Submit your Curriculum Vitae and letter of motivation by either:

- E-mail: recruitment@saambr.org.za
- Hand Delivery: The South African Association for Marine Biological Research 1 King Shaka Avenue, Durban

THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 18 MAY 2026

Appointments will be made in line with SAAMBR's employment equity requirements. Pre-employment checks will be conducted and the appointment is subject to the positive outcome of the checks which include reference and criminal checks. In line with the Protection of Personal Information Act, all personal information submitted as part of your application will be used solely for recruitment purposes and handled in a lawful, responsible, and confidential manner. SAAMBR reserves the right not to make an appointment.

Only potential short-list candidates will be contacted. Should you not have heard from us by **29 May 2026**, please consider your application unsuccessful.