Assistant Meteorological Technician: Gough Island. 2 posts - 15 months contract (OC 03/2020)

Salary: R 208 584 (plus 37% lieu in benefits). Permanent SAWS employees will have a different payment structure of benefits.

Centres: Gough Island Base

Minimum requirements:

- Matric with pure Mathematics and physical science or geography.
- Candidates must be willing to work shifts (both day and night shifts) and on public holidays, in possible adverse weather conditions.
- Candidates must be punctual, dedicated, precise and able to work in a team, as well as on their own.

Duties:

- Assist and actively participate in the running of the surface meteorological and atmospheric research project assigned by the Marine Section of SAWS.
- Perform surface meteorological observations, conduct upper-air balloon releases and maintain and verify all equipment at the remote station of Gough Island.
- Conduct quality control of data and report writing if and when required by the Senior Meteorological Technician.
- Assist other team members with logistical and administrative tasks associated with the general running of the base.
- Conduct all duties in accordance with the rules, regulations and standards as set out by the South African Weather Service.

Note:

- The incumbent will execute duties at a Sub/Antarctic Base and adhere to the health, safety and environmental requirements.
- The successful applicant will spend a full year (September 2020 to October 2021) at Gough Island base. **There is no option to return to South Africa before October 2021.** The ability to work and live with small groups of people is thus essential.
• Although the base is well-equipped with e-mail, fax and satellite telephone facilities, the applicant has to be self-sufficient and self-motivated. The location may affect both the physical and mental well-being of the incumbent, their family and close relationships. Candidates must be physically fit, mentally strong and prepared for physically challenging and satisfying work.

• In addition the successful candidates may often be called upon to work long hours in extreme conditions on duties unrelated to their function.

• Short-listed candidates will be subjected to screening and security vetting to determine their suitability for employment.

• Appointment to these positions is subject to a rigorous medical examination, which will be arranged for at no cost to the applicant.

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Closing date: 02 March 2020