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MPUMALANGA
INTERNATIONAL
FOOD MARKET

Grounds Maintenance

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1. About Us

Mpumalanga International FoodMarket (MIF), is a new platform for connecting production, opportunity, and demand—creating a fresh start for farmers, traders, buyers, job seekers, and the national food economy. It is not simply another place for work, but a modern workplace and hub for human connection.

2. Job Specification

To maintain the cleanliness, appearance, functionality, and safety of the outdoor facilities and landscaped areas of the Mpumalanga International Food Market. The incumbent will be responsible for grounds upkeep, landscaping support, waste management, and ensuring that all external areas present a clean, safe, and professional environment for traders, customers, visitors, and employees.

3. Core Responsibilities

- **Grounds and Landscaping Maintenance:** Maintain lawns, gardens, flower beds, trees, shrubs, and landscaped areas. Perform grass cutting, trimming, edging, pruning, weeding, and watering activities. Plant and maintain flowers, shrubs, and other vegetation as directed. Assist with seasonal landscaping and beautification projects.
- **Facility and Outdoor Area Maintenance:** Keep parking areas, walkways, loading zones, market surrounds, and open spaces clean and free of debris. Remove litter, leaves, branches, and other waste from grounds and public areas. Monitor outdoor infrastructure and report defects, damage, or maintenance requirements. Assist with the maintenance of fencing, signage, irrigation systems, and outdoor furniture.
- **Equipment Operation and Care:** Operate grounds maintenance equipment and tools safely, including lawnmowers, brush cutters, hedge trimmers, and irrigation equipment. Conduct routine inspections and basic maintenance on tools and equipment. Report equipment faults and maintenance requirements promptly.
- **Safety and Compliance:** Adhere to Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) requirements and safe work procedures. Wear and maintain appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE). Identify and report hazards, unsafe conditions, and incidents immediately. Ensure work activities are conducted in a safe manner that minimizes risk to staff and visitors.
- **General Responsibilities:** Assist with setup and preparation of outdoor areas for events, activities, and operational requirements. Support emergency cleaning and maintenance activities when required. Maintain accurate records of completed tasks where applicable. Perform other grounds maintenance duties as reasonably assigned.

4. Required Qualifications & Skills

- **Minimum Qualifications:** Grade 10 or Grade 12 / Matric Certificate. Relevant grounds maintenance, horticulture, landscaping, or facilities maintenance training will be advantageous. Valid South African driver's licence will be advantageous.
- **Experience:** Minimum 1 year experience in grounds maintenance, landscaping, gardening, facilities maintenance, municipal services, or a related environment. Experience operating landscaping and grounds maintenance equipment will be advantageous.

5. Job Application

MIF has partnered with the Department of Employment and Labour to facilitate and handle all job applications through the Department's Employment Services of South Africa (ESSA)

6. How to apply

- If you have an Active ESSA Online Account, visit the portal and click on Search Opportunity using the Reference Number listed above and submit the application.
- To create an Active ESSA Online Account, visit the link <https://essa.labour.gov.za/EssaOnline/WebBeans/> and follow the guidelines listed below.
 1. Capture the email address
 2. A password will be sent to your email address
 3. Use your ID Number as a **Username**
 4. Copy the password received and paste or type it on the log in the screen
 5. Complete all sections on ESSA

NOTE: The above is the only channel available to access job opportunities at MIF.



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