



## ASCENSION ISLAND GOVERNMENT

### JOB DESCRIPTION

<b>JOB TITLE:</b>	Assistant Park Warden
<b>TEAM:</b>	Conservation and Fisheries Directorate
<b>REPORTS TO:</b>	Park Warden and Biosecurity Officer
<b>JOB PURPOSE:</b>	Assist with the management of the National Park

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#### MAIN DUTIES:

- 1) Ensure that the designated trails in Green Mountain National Park are always passable and as safe as practicable. Follow a regular schedule for checking and clearing the paths.
- 2) Maintain and enhance visitor facilities in the National Park.
- 3) Organise and lead volunteers
- 4) Clearance of invasive plants from important conservation sites.
- 5) Assist with habitat restoration projects for native flora and fauna in the National Park
- 6) Biosecurity surveillance monitoring and inspections
- 7) Plan, lead or participate in public outreach events and engagement activity such as social media posts and press articles.
- 8) Maintenance of tools and equipment
- 9) Assist with the land crab biological monitoring programme
- 10) To undertake any other related duties as requested by the Park Warden and Director of Conservation.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **Health and safety** – to share in the corporate responsibility for the safety of staff and visitors to the office/work environment.
- **Continuous development** – responsible for your own Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

- **Interaction with the Public:** To interact with all members of the public, both the island community and visitors, in a courteous manner and to promote conservation efforts on Ascension where appropriate.

## **PERSON SPECIFICATION: Knowledge, skills, experience and personal attributes**

### **Essential**

- Experience of general conservation and protected area management.
- Experience of practical conservation tasks such as path maintenance, invasive species management and control.
- Ability to work as part of a team, and also alone and unsupervised in isolated areas of the island.
- Ability to use clearing tools such as brush cutters and strimmer safely and effectively.
- Chainsaw license with extensive experience felling and cross cutting.
- Experience of tool and equipment maintenance
- Computer literate.
- Ability to write reports for internal use.
- Experience of Health and Safety procedures including risk assessment.
- Be physically fit and enjoy working outdoors in all conditions (the job is field based with most days spent walking, often over rugged terrain and carrying heavy loads).
- Be flexible and an enthusiastic team member.
- A good school education.
- A clean valid driver's licence.

### **Desirable**

- Experience of Conservation management on Ascension
- Experience of biological monitoring methods
- Knowledge of the flora and fauna of Ascension Island
- A degree in biological sciences or equivalent academic experience
- Experience of basic construction and building maintenance
- Experience of off road and 4x4 driving
- A brush cutter licence
- Qualification in the safe use of pesticides
- First aid qualification

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This Job Description indicates the main duties and responsibilities of the post. It is not intended as an exhaustive list.

The Ascension Island Government (AIG) reserves the right to amend this Job Description from time to time according to operational needs. Any changes will be discussed with you and confirmed in writing. Please note that you share with AIG the responsibility for making suggestions to alter the scope of your duties and improve the effectiveness of your post.

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