

Apply to serve on the Municipal Demarcation Board

Applications are now open for persons interested in serving on the Municipal Demarcation Board (MDB).



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Interested candidates have until 17 August 2018 to submit their CVs to the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (CoGTA).

“Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs Minister Zweli Mkhize invites applications from suitably qualified and experienced persons for the appointment as members of Municipal Demarcation Board,” said the department in a statement.

Established in terms of Section 155(3)(b) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, the MDB provides for the establishment of an independent authority for the determination of municipal boundaries.

The Local Government Municipal Demarcation Act, 1998 (Act no. 27 of 1998) further establishes the criteria and procedures for the determination of municipal boundaries by an independent board.

The MDB is South Africa’s municipal demarcation authority, whose mission is to deepen democracy and facilitate socio-

economic transformation of the country for the benefit of its citizens through:

- Enabling and facilitating a system of developmental local government, through the determination of municipal and ward boundaries that enhances the quality of life of communities overall.
- Providing advisory services in municipal boundaries matters to state entities and other stakeholders.
- Being a spatial knowledge hub on all municipal and ward boundary matters.

Successful candidates will serve on the board for a period of five years, beginning from 20 February 2019 until 20 February 2024.

The MDB members consist of no less than seven or more than 10 members appointed by the President of the Republic.

“They must be broadly representative of South African society, reflect regional diversity and collectively represent a pool of knowledge concerning issues relevant to municipal demarcation in each of the provinces,” said the department.

Applicants must be in possession of relevant and appropriate qualification and knowledge as it relates to local government, with reference to municipal capacity; and local government politics, public participation and engagement; or any of the following:

- i. development economics
- ii. integrated development planning
- iii. community development
- iv. traditional leadership and traditional communities
- v. local government and municipal administration
- vi. municipal finance
- vii. municipal services
- viii. social and economic geography
- ix. town and regional planning
- x. legal and constitutional matters affecting local government
- xi. land survey, cartography and geographic information systems
- xii. public health care
- xiii. information and communication technology
- xiv. transport planning.

In addition, candidates must possess advanced knowledge of the relevant provisions in the Constitution; the Local Government: Municipal Demarcation Act, 1998 and the Local Government Municipal Structures Act, 1998.

Written applications should be submitted no later than 17 August 2018 to URS Response handling – PO Box 11506, Tiegerpoort, 0056 or submitted electronically via email: cogta@ursonline.co.za or via fax: 086 415 5709.

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