



MARITIME CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AT NAMPORT

YOU WILL GET THE CHANCE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF NAMIBIA THROUGH VARIOUS CAREER PATHS IN THE MARINE INDUSTRY.

You have a responsibility to stand out, study hard and be driven towards development and growth, not only of Namport, but of our country. The rest will fall into place. Passion will take you the extra mile.

Namport aims to groom and nurture future leaders in the marine industry that will help to shape our country's economy and future.

People who work at Namport make their living at jobs related to the sea, directly or indirectly. As in many other industries, maritime career paths are often highly varied according to one's unique circumstances.

As with any organisation, Namport is divided into different departments that are further divided into sub-departments. The organisational structure of Namport works to support and further the interest of the Namibian Maritime Industry. We have people who work in Finance, Marketing, Human Resources, Procurement, and in other supporting roles to help realise the mandate of Namport.

However, some general guidelines can help you know what to expect and plan accordingly. The careers below are specialised to the Maritime Industry, but the list is not exhaustive.

TUG MASTER

Tug Masters command the powerful boats used to assist ship movements in ports and harbours. While small in size, tugboats are extremely powerful watercrafts and their handling takes much skill.

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MARINE PILOT

Ports and harbours employ Marine Pilots to ensure the safe navigation of ships in their waters. Pilots board ships entering or exiting the port or harbour, and navigate them safely in and out avoiding submerged rocks and other hazards. This is a physically demanding role, where Marine Pilots are required to board moving vessels from small high powered launches, often in rough seas.

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MARINE ENGINEER

Marine engineering is the branch of study that deals with the design, development, production and maintenance of the equipment

used at sea and on board sea vessels like boats, ships, etc. As a matter of fact, it is quite a vast field and it also has many sister areas like naval architecture and nautical science. A marine engineer is a professional who is responsible for the operation, maintenance and repair of all major mechanical and engineered equipment on board a ship.

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VESSEL TRAFFIC CONTROLER/OPERATOR

A Vessel Traffic Controller/Operator is responsible for the Coordination of ships within the port or harbour. They work to avoid collisions or incidents by managing movements from a port control center. To help them meet this goal, Vessel



» Marine Pilot

Traffic

Controllers/Operators are well versed in the use of computerised Vessel Traffic Management systems. Working shifts to cover the 24-hour, seven days a week demands of the role, Vessel Traffic Controllers/Operators may also offer traffic information and arrange for launches to take pilots out to ships.

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» Port Engineer

MARITIME LAWYER

Any problem related to an incident or situation at sea, on a waterway or during the voyage of a ship will likely require the services of specialist legal professionals. These Maritime Lawyers are employed to protect and advance the legal rights of one of the parties involved in the incident, and will ensure that any issues regarding maritime law are dealt with fairly in the courts.

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SHIP CARGO PLANNER

A ship arriving at a port may be loading tons of cargo, discharging tons of cargo, or



» Port Control Officer



» Tug Master

supplementing cargo that is already loaded onboard. And it is crucial for stability and safety that any loading or discharging is done in the correct way; otherwise there is a risk of harm to the ship, to its crew and to port operatives.

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