# **VACANCY**



#### WINDHOEKER MASCHINEN FABRIK (WMF 1998) (PTY) LTD

A subsidiary of August 26 Group of Companies

# LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE OFFICER

# The position reports to the Managing Director

#### **JOB PURPOSE:**

The Legal Officer will be responsible for providing legal advice and support to the organization on a wide range of legal matters, including contracts, compliance, intellectual property, and regulatory issues.

#### **KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES:**

#### Legal Advice and Opinion:

 Provide legal advice and guidance to internal stakeholders on contract interpretation, risk assessment, and compliance issues.

#### Document Review and Drafting:

- Draft, review, and negotiate a variety of contracts and agreements, including vendor contracts, client agreements, and partnership agreements.
- Prepare and maintain legal documentation, including corporate records, contracts, and regulatory filings.
- Conduct legal due diligence reviews for mergers, acquisitions, and other strategic transactions. Legal Research:
  - Research and analyse legal issues and regulations relevant to the organization's operations and industry.

#### Compliance:

- Monitor changes in laws, regulations, and legal trends that may impact the organization and provide recommendations for compliance.
- Develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- Ensure that the organization's activities and operations are conducted in compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and ethical standards.

#### Risk Management:

- Identify and mitigate legal risks associated with the organization's operations.
- Manage and protect the organization's intellectual property assets, including trademarks, copyrights, and patents.

# Litigation Support:

 Handle legal disputes and litigation matters, including managing outside counsel and representing the organization in court or alternative dispute resolution proceedings.

#### Corporate Governance:

 Assist with corporate governance matters, including board meetings, resolutions, and regulatory filings.

# Supervision, Training & Development:

- Supervise and oversee the work of other employees in the department.
- Provide legal training and guidance to employees on legal issues and best practices.

### Stakeholder engagement:

- Respond to legal inquiries and requests from internal and external stakeholders in a timely and professional manner.
- Collaborate with cross-functional teams, including finance, operations, and human resources, to address legal issues and support business initiatives.
- Perform other legal tasks and responsibilities as assigned by senior management.

# **Qualifications and Experience Requirements:**

- Bachelor's degree in Law, or equivalent legal qualification.
- Admission to the bar in the relevant jurisdiction; license to practice law required.
- Minimum of 4 years' experience practicing law, preferably in a corporate or commercial setting.

#### Knowledge:

- Strong knowledge of contract law, corporate law, and regulatory compliance.
- Excellent legal research, writing, and analytical skills.
- Ability to communicate complex legal concepts and issues clearly and effectively.
- Strong negotiation and problem-solving abilities.
- Detail-oriented with a focus on accuracy and precision.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively in a team environment.
- Experience with intellectual property law and protection preferred.
- Knowledge of corporate governance principles and practices.
- Familiarity with litigation and dispute resolution processes.
- Proficiency in legal research tools and databases.
- Strong organizational and time management skills.
- Commitment to integrity, ethics, and professionalism in all aspects of legal practice.

# **Required Skills:**

- In-depth knowledge of relevant laws and regulations.
- Analytical skills to assess legal risks and implications.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Research abilities to gather relevant legal precedents and information.
- Attention to detail and accuracy in legal documentation.
- Negotiation and conflict resolution skills.
- Ability to provide legal advice and guidance to the organization.

Interested persons who meet the requirements are invited to submit a Letter of application, Curriculum Vitae and certified copies of qualifications and ID to:

The Managing Director 13 Bessemer Street Southern Industrial Windhoek

Enquiries can be directed to: panton@wmf.com.na or futurecompliance@gmail.com

As per Affirmative Action (Employment) Act, Act 29 of 1998, Namibian Citizens from disadvantaged groups and persons with disabilities will receive preferential treatment and are encouraged to apply.

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted, and no documents will be returned. No faxed applications will be accepted.

Late applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

WMF reserves the right not to make an appointment.

**CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: FRIDAY, 27 JUNE 2025**