

## MEDIA STATEMENT

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## WARNING OF LOCKDOWN EMPLOYMENT SCAM

It has come to our attention that MHR is being falsely associated with current media job advertisements. These fake employment opportunities appear online and entice 'successful' applicants to pay a large upfront fee for training manuals to facilitate training during lockdown.

Positions advertised may include emergency care technicians, nurses, security, porters and other administration opportunities. The modus operandi of such scams often includes the solicitation of money through informal channels such as money market counters to cellular telephone numbers as part of the application or training process. It is important to note that MHR would never require a job applicant to make a payment as part of the application process.

We seek to distance ourselves from these scams and request individuals interested in seeking employment can do so by visiting the MHR website on <a href="https://www.mhr.co.za/Vacancies.aspx">www.mhr.co.za/Vacancies.aspx</a>.

Common points that may indicate the advertised post may be a scam:

- Request for upfront payment or banking details as part of application
- Contact numbers are cellular numbers as landlines are 'out of order'
- Lack of interview as part of the application process
- Legitimate sounding names that resemble the company name
- Use of several company logos on official looking letterheads

If an applicant is unsure of the validity of an advertised position, they are urged to contact the MHR Head Office on +27 21 943 6200.

## **ENDS**

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