

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Nkomati Nickel Mine is primarily a nickel and chrome operation located in the Mpumalanga Province between Badplaas (eManzana) and Machadodorp (eNtokozweni), within the broader Waterval Boven (Emgwenya) region. Nkomati is owned by African Rainbow Minerals (ARM), a leading South African diversified mining and minerals company. ARM mines and beneficiates iron ore, manganese ore, chrome ore, platinum group metals (PGMs), nickel and coal and has a strategic investment in gold through Harmony Gold Mining Company (Harmony).

MINE PLANNER - LONG TERM

(DL PATTERSON GRADING)

REFERENCE NUMBER: NK-MPL-DL-08/06/2026

Purpose of the Job:

To develop and optimise the Life of Mine (LoM) plan for Nkomati Nickel Mine, ensuring sustainable extraction of nickel resources, alignment with the mine's strategic objectives, and maximisation of asset value through safe, efficient, and cost-effective mining practices.

Location:

- Slaaihoek Farm, Waterval Boven, Mpumalanga

Job Requirements:

- Bachelor of Science, BTech or Bachelor's Degree or Advance Diploma in Mining Engineering
- A valid Blasting Certificate (Rock Breaker)
- Mine Manager's Certificate of Competency (MMCC)
- Registration with the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA)
- Minimum 5 years' proven experience in Medium-term or long-term in pit designs and production schedules.
- At least 3 years of hands-on, underground, or opencast production experience (e.g., serving as a Shiftboss or Mine Overseer) to ensure plans are practical.
- Understanding of cut-off grades and orebody modelling
- Experience in open-pit and/or underground mining
- High Proficiency in mine planning software (e.g. Deswik, Datamine, Mine2-4D, Surpac or MineSched)
- Sound understanding of open pit mining operations and production processes
- Must be declared medically fit for duty

Job Responsibilities:

- Develop and maintain Life of Mine plans
- Conduct pit optimisation and mine design
- Prepare long-term production schedules
- Support resource-to-reserve conversion
- Provide technical input into studies and strategic planning
- Create a yearly or multi-year plan showing where the team will dig, waste movement and production predictions.
- Evaluates capital costs, operational costs, and commodity price forecasts
- Economic and Resource Strategy
- Design safe, long-lasting areas to store waste rock, topsoil, and low-grade ore
- Knowledge of Mine Health, Safety Act (MHSA) regulations.) and company standards
- Identify and support continuous improvement opportunities in planning processes

Personal Attributes:

- Strong analytical and technical capability
- Strategic mindset
- Effective stakeholder engagement skills
- High level of accuracy and professional integrity
- Ability to design waste dumps, haul roads, and pit limits
- Working with geologists, surveyors, and on-site managers to turn paper plans into real-world work.
- Making quick, smart choices when the mine hits unexpected problems
- Presentation, Reporting and Problem-Solving Skills
- Understanding mining costs
- Economic Analysis

Equity Statement:

Preference will be given to suitably qualified applicants in line with the employment equity plan and targets of the organisation.

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Additional Information:

- To apply for this vacancy, please send your CV to the email address below before the closing date.

Email: Nkomati.Recruitment@nkomati.co.za

- No late applications will be considered or accepted.
- Correspondence will be limited to short-listed candidates only.
- If you do not hear from the Company within 21 days after the closing of the advert, please consider your application as unsuccessful.

- **Closing date:** 07 July 2026



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