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EMPLOYMENT MANAGEMENT CIRCULAR 55 OF 2026

TO ALL HEADS OF NATIONAL/PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENTS AND GOVERNMENT COMPONENTS

ISSUING OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE VACANCY CIRCULAR DURING 2027

1. The purpose of this Circular is to inform departments of the publication schedule and submission timeframes for the Public Service Vacancy Circular (PSVC) during 2027, in accordance with Regulation 65(4) of the Public Service Regulations, 2016.
2. The final PSVC for 2026 will be issued on 4 December 2026. Departments must submit advertisements to the Department of Public Service and Administration (DPSA) no later than 27 November 2026. Departments are urged to adhere to this deadline and adjust vacancy closing dates to accommodate the festive closure.
3. The first PSVC for 2027 will be issued on 15 January 2027. Departments should therefore submit advertisements to the DPSA no later than 4 December 2026.
4. Departments are urged to submit advertisements in the format specified in Circular 19 of 2022 and Circular 28 of 2025 to support accurate processing and timely publication in the PSVC.
5. For enquiries, please email psvc@dpsa.gov.za.

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