



Al Ain Zoo, United Arab Emirates

Lead Supervisor Animal Care Carnivores

Al Ain Zoo is seeking an experienced, motivated, hardworking Lead Supervisor Animal Care Carnivores to be part of a dedicated Animals Care team and staff within the Animals Care Section of Al Ain Zoo.

This position offers an excellent opportunity to work with over 4000 specimens of animals including carnivores, primates, ungulates, birds, and reptiles that are maintained in extensive habitat displays in the largest Zoo in the Middle East. Al Ain Zoo is a 1000-hectare wildlife experience with a focus on arid land wildlife conservation, education, animal management, veterinary care and visitor experience.

The Role:

Lead Supervisor Animal Care Carnivores is responsible for the daily supervision of the safe care and handling of an assigned animal collection and constantly demonstrates leadership qualities and abilities to engage positive relationship with internal and external. Duties will include but not limited to:

- Supervise staff at the level designated by senior management.
- Develop and mentor progress of UAE National staff.
- Assures feeding schedules and dietary requirements are met
- Oversees and coordinates reproduction, hatching, and neonate care programs
- Participates in developing, administering, and monitoring assigned budgets
- Participates in establishing and updating procedures
- Oversees pest control operations
- Provides support and guidance to senior animal keepers
- Ensures accurate and complete records of animal activities are maintained
- Participates in planning for the developing and modifying of exhibits
- Conducts special tours as required
- Maintains a variety of contacts in order to respond to inquiries and requests
- Effectively coordinate activities
- Exemplifies the highest standard of work ethics
- Supervises assigned staff, safely providing a high standard of care for designated animals in the Al-Ain zoo's collection.
- Prepares purchase requisitions for equipment and supplies.

- Oversees/coordinates animal introductions, moves, restraints, and shipments.
- Accompanies veterinary staff on medical rounds and assures procedures are followed.
- Discusses morbidity and mortality with veterinary staff.
- Regularly inspects and observes assigned collection for overall health and welfare.
- Trains and coaches staff regarding media contact, conflict resolution, and appropriate guest and customer relations.
- Assists with research projects as required.
- Provide on job training for senior keepers and keepers
- Support ZAPIA in career development programs designed for UAE nationals.
- Prepare reports on daily, monthly basis and as required by the line manager.
- Prepare annual work plans for the assigned area.
- Adheres to the organization's policies and practices
- Undertakes similar or related tasks as directed by senior management
- Follow all ZAPIA EHS policies and procedures.

The position is full time, working 5 days per week and will include weekends and public holidays. Applicants should be physically fit and able to work outdoors in challenging conditions and be culturally sensitive.

Qualifications and experience required:

Bachelor of Animal Science / Bachelor of Animal Care / Bachelor of Animal Care and Conservation Science or equivalent.

At least 5 - 7 years in relevant experience in a world class zoological institute/wild animal collection.

To Apply:

Applicants should send their full, updated CV and covering letter to:

Recruitment@alainzoo.ae