



## **Animal Care Deputy Team Leader – Lower Vertebrates Section 100%**

Duties will include:

- Providing daily care and welfare to a variety of animals
- Implementing behavioural enrichment programmes and medical training
- Maintaining animal enclosure surroundings
- Helping the veterinarians prepare animals for transport or examinations
- Conducting fun, informative presentations to educate visitors on the plight of exotic fauna
- Animal observation and record keeping
- Maintaining and taking part in planning animal enclosures and exhibits
- Periodic supervision of junior staff

The ideal applicant will need to possess the following skills and attributes:

- German-speaking
- Passion for working with animals
- Experience in reptile husbandry in private or a zoo setting
- Responsible mature attitude and team player
- Previous zoo and/or reptile husbandry experience is required
- Experience working with amphibians is considered an advantage
- Creativity in creating enclosures and knowledge in botany
- Good communication skills
- Willingness to work on weekends
- A Unitec "Care of Captive Wild Animals" certificate or EFZ for exotic animal's certificate would be considered an advantage (education for the EFZ certificate can also be done during work)
- High level of physical fitness (heavy lifting will be required)
- Good practical and maintenance skills

Walter Zoo, situated near St. Gallen in Switzerland, is home to more than 700 exotic animals within 130 different species. In exhibit is also a big selection of reptiles included. With more than 220'000 visitor's per year Walter zoo is one of the top touristic attractions in region. The Zoo is part of the EAZA, Zooschweiz and VdZ.

Closing date for applications: Friday 28 December 2018

Visit our website: [www.walterzoo.ch](http://www.walterzoo.ch)

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