

Zoo Keeper

- **Permanent Full Time**
- **Supportive Work/Life Balance**
- **\$62,286 (LGIA Stream B Level 5 + Site Allowance) + Superannuation**
- **Location – Rockhampton**

Your new role

Rockhampton Zoo is seeking an innovative Zoo Keeper that has experience working with native and/or exotic mammals, birds and reptiles to join their team.

Join us during an exciting time with the commencement of Phase 1 of our Zoo Redevelopment Plan. Not only does this include a new zoo entrance, staff facilities, food preparation and administration areas, it also includes expanding our primate collection!

Successful candidates must have a high focus on animal welfare, exceptional husbandry skills and a passion for training and enriching the lives of the animals in their care. Delivering inspiring and engaging keeper talks and animal visitor interactions is something you enjoy while providing exceptional customer service.

Rockhampton Zoo is open to the public every day (except Christmas Day). Penalty rates apply where applicable, including weekends. This position requires the completion of a satisfactory Criminal History Check - Police Certificate (Australia Wide Name Only Police Check).

What we are looking for

- Demonstrated experience in zoo keeping, including high welfare standards, relevant husbandry techniques, training, enrichment, food preparation and the ability to assist in conducting veterinary procedures.
- Demonstrated experience with primate species including marmosets, tamarinds, great apes, lemurs, otters and gibbons
- Excellent time management and customer service skills to ensure successful delivery of keeper talks and animal visitor interactions.
- Ability to work well within a team environment as well as work independently at times with minimal supervision.
- Ability to work well under pressure and problem solve.
- Ability to carry out your duties in a safe manner whilst ensuring the safety of your team members and public.

What you'll get in return

As an employee of Rockhampton Regional Council, you will join a diverse and innovative team of more than 900 employees supported by good leadership, who proudly deliver services and make a difference to the lives of people living and working within the region.

- Supportive Work/Life Balance
- A large employer with a strong values driven culture
- A generous superannuation scheme – Up to 18% superannuation (conditions apply)
- Ongoing training and development opportunities
- Corporate membership discounts
- Payroll deductions and salary sacrifice options
- 17.5% annual leave loading
- Wages paid fortnightly
- Employee Assistance Program
- Fitness Passport and active social clubs

What you need to do next

To apply for this opportunity, please submit two documents:

1. A 2-3 page Cover Letter addressing the **Application Criteria** below;
2. Your Current resume.

Application Criteria

- Tertiary qualification in Zoo Keeping (or relevant discipline) and/or minimum of 2 years paid experience working with captive native / exotic animals including relevant husbandry techniques, food preparation, animal training and assisting with veterinary procedures.
- High focus on customer service and Able to deliver informative and engaging presentations and animal visitor interactions that relay our conservation messaging
- A strong team player and positive, “can-do” attitude
- Ability to put safety first and working knowledge on safe practices within the zoo environment
- 2 years minimum paid experience working with great apes, gibbons, lemurs, marmosets, tamarins and otter

Please use Council's [cover letter template](#) and ensure you **clearly label** each Application Criteria in your cover letter. Please visit <https://jobs.rrc.qld.gov.au/jobs/> to apply!

Applications Close: Monday 18 July 2022 at Midnight (AEST)