



Australian Government

Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Australian Antarctic Division



AUSTRALIAN
ANTARCTIC
PROGRAM

Expeditioner Band 1.3 (APS 3) – Rigger

Classification	Expeditioner Band 1.3 (APS 3) - \$73,911 pa
Total Remuneration	\$141,865 pa (When in Antarctica/sub Antarctic, inclusive of Antarctic Allowances)
Division	Australian Antarctic Division
Branch	Assets and Technology
Section	Construction Projects
Location	Kingston, Tasmania and Antarctic/sub-Antarctic deployment
Employment Status	Non-Ongoing (temporary)
Hours	Full-time (37.5 hours per week)
Security Clearance	Not Required

WHO WE ARE – Australian Antarctic Division (AAD)

The AAD is part of the Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW). As primary agency for Australia's Antarctic Program (AAP), the AAD is responsible for achieving the Australian Government's Antarctic goals to:

- maintain the Antarctic Treaty System and enhance Australia's influence within it
- protect the Antarctic environment
- understand the role of Antarctica in the global climate system
- undertake scientific work of practical, economic and national significance.

THE JOB

As a Rigger you will be part of the team which maintains and develops the Australian stations on the Antarctic continent and at Macquarie Island. Your responsibilities will include the safe operation working with cranes and other plant, assisting in the erection, cladding and fit out of new buildings as well as assisting in the maintenance of the existing infrastructure.

Rigger positions are generally only available for the Antarctic summer period as approximately six months contracts, with one month in Australia and five months at a station. Winter positions are occasionally available when required for a specific project.

You should apply for this role if you have the appropriate knowledge, skills and experience and an interest in the challenge of living and working in a small community in a remote environment. Applicants will be assessed and if successful placed in a role for training and deployment, or a merit pool that will be used for future seasons.

Key duties will include, but are not limited to:

As a Rigger you will be required to undertake some or all of the following:

- Carry out structural steel erection
- Carry out the assembly of pre-cast concrete structures
- Assist with cargo handling for station resupply operations
- Carry out the removal and installation of plant with the use of block and tackle
- Carry out assessment and implement lifting for complex and unusual loads
- Assist with other tasks in the construction and maintenance of buildings and services.
- Assist with erection of modular and tower frame scaffolding

As a proactive and positive member of the community you will:

- Maintain a personal and practical commitment to AAD policies and standard operating procedures (including work, health and safety and environmental policies). Training and guidance in regard to all responsibilities relevant to your position will be provided.
- Be rostered to perform duties to support the community life of the expedition, such as general kitchen duties, garbage clearance, general cleaning duties, and assisting other expedition members with official programs, to ensure an equitable contribution.
- Work in areas outside of your primary role, for example, aiding other areas or science projects, or participating in general labouring tasks such as clearing snow or handling cargo.

WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR - ESSENTIAL

Required Identification/Qualification/License/Ticket	When you need to provide evidence	
	Provide copy with application	obtained prior to job commencement
Rigging Licence - A current, valid licence to perform rigging (intermediate level)	✓	
White Card (issued after May 2009)		✓
Driver's Licence – A current, unrestricted “C” class (manual) Australian driver's licence.	✓	
Citizenship - In accordance with the PS Act 1999, APS employees are required to be Australian citizens. Persons who are not Australian citizens will generally only be considered where there are no suitable Australian applicants, with next considerations being Australian residents with work rights and New Zealand citizens.	✓	
Valid Passport - The expiry date of the passport (and any relevant visa) must be at least 6 months beyond the planned end date of your intended stay in the Antarctic or sub-Antarctic		✓
Provide First Aid (HLTAID011) must be valid for at least 18 months beyond the date of AAD commencement.		✓
Provide CPR (HLTAID009) must be valid for at least 6 months beyond the date of AAD commencement		✓

Knowledge and experience:

Recent hands-on experience:

- Rigging at a minimum of intermediate level including structural steel erection and pre-cast concrete placement with at least five years' experience.

WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR – DESIRABLE

These are not essential to the role, however to be suitable you will need to have at least some of these. We encourage you to apply even if you do not fit 100% of the requirements.

Knowledge and experience:

Qualifications/licences:

- A relevant trade certificate, technical certificate, apprenticeship or recognised equivalent in the building trade group such as Carpenter, Carpenter/Joiner, Plumber, Electrician, Boilermaker/Welder or Fitter and Turner.
- Courses and/or high-risk licences in the construction or mining industry

Recent hands-on experience (within the last 5 years):

- General construction/maintenance works associated with building and infrastructure
- Experience in marine construction
- Operation of heavy plant and equipment
- Concreting
- Painting and plastering
- Use of woodworking machines and power tools
- Inventory and stocktaking
- Scaffold erection qualifications and/or experience

Additional:

Should your application be successful, it is useful to have some understanding of any additional licences you have.

Qualifications/licences (provide copies in your application):

- Working Safely at Heights
- Confined space
- Remove non-friable 'B' Class asbestos
- Supervise asbestos removal
- Dogging
- Operation of a crane
- Telescopic materials handler
- Dozer
- Loader
- Excavator
- Skid steer loader (Bobcat)
- Skidder

ELIGIBILITY AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Personal Qualities:

During the recruitment selection process, the AAD assesses individual personal qualities required to successfully live and work in an isolated Antarctic/sub-Antarctic community. Successful candidates need to demonstrate the personal qualities detailed [here](#).

Pre-employment check:

Your suitability for employment will be assessed through pre-employment screening including National Police Check, referee checks, pre-employment medical assessment, specified mandatory qualification(s) validation and completion of required probation period.

Work Health and Safety Obligations:

All employees have a duty to take reasonable care of their own health and safety while at work, to ensure their acts or omissions do not adversely affect the health and safety of other persons in line with any reasonable instruction given to comply with the Work Health and Safety legislation.

RecruitAbility:

Under the [APS \(Australian Public Service\) RecruitAbility scheme](#) you will be invited to participate in further assessment for the vacancy if you choose to apply under the scheme; declare you have a disability; AND meet the minimum requirements for the position.

HOW TO APPLY

Information about how to apply can be found [here](#), including further information about AAD jobs.