

# Government of Tuvalu – Job Description



<b>Position Title:</b>	Plumber	
<b>Band and Salary:</b>	S1-S3	\$10,887 to \$15,447
<b>Ministry and Department:</b>	Public Works, Infrastructure Development, and Water	Public Works
<b>Location:</b>	Funafuti	
<b>Reports to:</b>	Water & Sewage Engineer	

## JOB PURPOSE:

Responsible for installing, repairing, and maintaining various plumbing systems, ensuring they function efficiently and safely.

## KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Reading blueprints and Installation.
2. Pipefitting and welding.
3. Repair and maintenance.
4. Water quality and compliance.

## MAIN DUTIES AND OUTCOMES:

- 1.1 Interpret and work from blueprints, drawings, and specifications to plan plumbing system installations.
  - 1.2 Ensure accurate placement and connection of pipes and fixtures as per design plans.
  - 1.3 Install, repair, and maintain plumbing systems including pipes, fixtures, valves, faucets, drains, and water heaters.
  - 1.4 Collaborate with construction teams to install plumbing systems in new buildings or during renovations.
  - 1.5 Diagnose and troubleshoot issues in plumbing systems and devise effective solutions.
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- 2.1 Cut, bend, and thread pipes using appropriate tools and techniques.
  - 2.2 Perform pipefitting and welding tasks to join pipes and secure connections.
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- 3.1 Repair or replace damaged pipes, fixtures, and components.
  - 3.2 Conduct routine maintenance to prevent leaks, clogs, and other plumbing issues.
  - 3.3 Respond to emergency service calls for urgent repairs.
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- 4.1 Ensure plumbing systems are compliant with water quality and efficiency standards.

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- 4.2 Install, repair, and maintain water treatment and purification systems.
- 4.3 Adhere to safety guidelines, regulations, and building codes when performing plumbing tasks.
- 4.4 Use personal protective equipment (PPE) and follow proper safety protocols.

### MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS:

#### Qualification

Trade Certificate in Plumbing/ Tertiary certificate. Proven experience as a plumber, with a strong understanding of plumbing systems, tools, and techniques.

#### Skills, and Knowledge

Proficiency in reading and interpreting blueprints, drawings, and specifications.

Excellent problem-solving skills and the ability to think critically under pressure.

Strong communication and customer service skills.

Physical stamina to handle the demands of the job, including lifting heavy materials and working in confined spaces.

Attention to detail and precision in executing tasks.

Familiarity with plumbing codes, regulations, and safety protocols.

### WORKING CONDITIONS:

Plumbers often work in a variety of settings, including residential, commercial, and industrial environments. The job may involve exposure to tight spaces, heights, and varying weather conditions. They may work independently or as part of a team, collaborating with other tradespeople.

### NOTE: THIS POSITION MAY REQUIRE WORK OUTSIDE OF NORMAL WORKING HOURS

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

#### **Applicants through their applications MUST:**

- (i) Address all the qualification requirements of the job description.
- (ii) Address each of the responsibilities of the job as listed in the job description indicating how best he/she can carry out those responsibilities satisfactorily and at the same time add value to the job.
- (iii) The response in each case in (i) and (ii) must reflect the information in the CV; and the job application checklist.

*It is expected that officers recognize the cross-cutting nature of gender issues; the roles and responsibilities in this job description should be performed by taking into account a sector integration of gender perspectives.*