

NEWS ADVISORY

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Oman suspends issuance of visas for certain jobs

The Sultanate of Oman has suspended for six months the issuance of visas to foreign workers in 10 employment sectors covering 87 skills and professions.

Oman's Ministry of Manpower (MoM) has issued Ministerial Decision 38/2018 on January 24, 2018 which suspended the authorization to hire foreign workers as part of its nationalization policy in the private sector to provide 25,000 jobs to Omani citizens.

The Ministry of Manpower will not process work visas for the listed positions until July 24, 2018 as the government assesses the impact of the policy on its citizens and possible benefits to the economy within suspension period. Visas issued before 24 January 2018, however, will remain valid until its expiration.

Establishments registered with the Oman Public Authority for Small and medium Enterprises Development (RIYADA) and those insured with the Public Authority for Social Insurance (OASI) are exempted from the temporary ban.

The jobs affected by the suspension are the following:

Information and Technology

1. Information Security Specialist
2. Geographic Information System Specialist
3. Electronic Computer Networks
4. Programmed Machines Maintenance - Electronic
5. Electronic Calculator Maintenance
6. Graphic Designer
7. Electronic Surveillance - Equipment Assembly
8. Electronics Technician - Telecom
9. Electronics Technician - Control Instrument
10. Electronic Technician - Medical Equipment

11. Electronics Technician Broadcast
12. Electronic Technician - Programmed Machines
13. Electronic Technician - Computer Networks
14. Computer Programmer
15. Computer Engineer
16. Computer operator

Accounting and Finance

1. Bank Notes and Money changer
2. Bank notes technician
3. Account Auditing technician
4. General accounting technician
5. Cost account technician
6. Costs accountant
7. Insurance collector

Marketing and Sales

1. Sales specialist
2. Storekeeper
3. Commercial agent
4. Commercial manager
5. Procurement logistics specialist

Administration and Human Resources

1. Business Administration Specialist
2. Public Relation Specialist
3. Human Resources Specialist
4. Administrative Director

Insurance

1. Insurance Agent General
2. Real Estate Insurance Agent
3. Cargo Insurance Agent
4. Life Insurance Agent
5. Vehicle Insurance Agent
6. Factory Insurance Agent

Information/Media Professions

1. Media Specialist
2. Page Maker
3. Paper Pulp Machine Operator
4. Bookbinding Machine Operator
5. Decorative Books Operator of
6. Calendar Operator
7. Paper Dyeing Machine Operators

8. Bill Printing Machine Operator
9. Cylinder Press Operator
10. Rotating Press Operator
11. Offset Printing Machine Operator
12. Color Press Operator
13. Paleographic Press Operator
14. Paper Folder Machine Operator
15. Paper Coating Machine Operator
16. Advertising Agent

Medical Professions

1. Male Nurse
1. Pharmacist Assistant
2. Medical Coordinator

Airport Professions

1. Aviation Guiding Officer
2. Ground Steward
3. Ticket controller
4. Airplane takeoff Supervisor
5. Air traffic controller
6. Aircraft Landing supervisor
7. Passenger Transport supervisor
8. Land Guide

Engineering Professions

1. Architect
2. General Survey Engineer
3. Civil Engineer
4. Electronic Engineer
5. Electronics Engineer
6. Mechanical Engineer
7. Projects Engineers

Technical Professions

1. Building Technician/Building Controller
2. Electronic Technician
3. Road Technician/Road Controller
4. Mechanical Technician
5. Soil Mechanics Laboratory Technician
6. Steam Turbine Technician
7. Construction materials lab technician
8. Gas Network Extension Technician
9. Construction Technician
10. Transformer Technician

11. Station Technician
12. Electrical Technician
13. Heat Operations Technician
14. Maintenance Technician
15. Chemical Technician

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