

# JOB DESCRIPTION

**Position:** Bio-security Trainee

**Department:** Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries

**Salary:** Grade 1

## **Position Objective:**

To assist national efforts aiming to prevent and control of pests and diseases in Niue, and to provide bio-security services at border control.

## **Specific Responsibilities – *To assist;***

**1) In Boarder Control Activities to strengthen and maintain strict boarder control procedures at all boarders to reduce risk of pests and diseases being imported or exported.**

- Carry out sea vessel clearance;
- Inspection and treatment of export produce and imported produce and animal products;
- Clearance of passenger's personal effects off aircrafts and sea vessels;
- Inspection and treatment of machinery, containers and vehicles;
- Garbage disposal and mail clearance;
- Issue of import and export permits;

**2) In Plant Protection Activities: To implement national programs to conserve flora and agriculture from the impacts of plant pests, plant diseases and invasive species.**

- Pest and disease control, including weeds and fruit flies;
- Registration of all permits issued, incoming vessels and aircrafts, containers, produce and animal products, and vehicles at the board of entry;

**3) In providing improved postharvest technologies and Integrated Pest Management techniques to all agricultural farmers.**

- Plant protection extension assistance to growers

**Responsible to:** Senior Plant Protection & Quarantine Officer

**Works with:** Crop Research & Extension Division  
Customs, Police & Niue Post

## **Person Specification:**

*Knowledge and Skills;*

- Some knowledge of Quarantine and Biosecurity matters;
- Computer literate with Microsoft Applications, email and internet;
- Excellent communication skills both in English and Niuean;
- Ability to work in a team environment;
- Ambition to learn, apply new skills and follow instructions;

*Minimum Education;*

- National Certificate Education Achievement (NCEA), Levels 2 - 3

*Other Requirements;*

- Willingness to be flexible in terms of working early hours and overtime when requested.