



## FOR PSA MEMBERS: DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION (DWS) - NORTHERN CAPE

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## Update: Office closure - DWS - Northern Cape

The PSA welcomes the closing of the Department of Water and Sanitation offices in Kimberley. This closure was unavoidable owing to the non-compliance with the *OHSA* and the presence of asbestos in the roof. One portion of the office ("Block A") was closed via a Prohibition Notice by Department of Employment and Labour two months ago. Members were moved to the "Block B", which was congested.

It surfaced when construction was taking place that there were asbestos sheets on the roof. Subsequently, the employer came to its senses and closed the office after Department of Employment and Labour was informed of the asbestos. The PSA is pleased that the office is closed and that members' lives are not at risk.

The PSA will continue to oppose the use of *OHSA* non-compliant buildings. Members can call the Provincial Office on (053) 839 1000 for more information.

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