**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY:**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 563**

**Mr C H H Hunsinger (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(1) With reference to appointments made within the past three months at the Road Traffic Management Corporation, (a) what number of (i) applications were received and (ii) new appointments were made and (b) for what positions in each case;

(2) (a) what criteria are used to accept applicants into the National Traffic Police and (b) why have some applicants for the National Traffic Police been accepted despite failing physical tests;

(3) (a) where will the training of new National Traffic Police recruits take place, (b) who will be conducting the training and (c) what qualification(s) will the recruits receive?

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**REPLY :**

1. (a) number of (i) applications for Traffic Officer Posts and 45 692 applications for Traffic Trainees were received.

(ii) Three (3) new appointments for Traffic Officers and 279 for Traffic Trainees were made.

(b) Traffic Officers and Traffic Trainees ;

1. (a) what criteria are used to accept applicants into the National Traffic Police as prescribed in a said Advert : -

* South African Citizenship
* A senior Certificate/ Grade 12 or equivalent
* A Traffic/ Metro and Traffic Policing diploma issued by an approved Traffic Training Centre
* Valid driver’s License
* At least 2 years practical experience as a Traffic Officer
* A valid proof of Traffic Officer Registration in terms of the National Road Traffic Act (NRTA)
* Extensive Experience as an Examiner of Vehicles or Examiner of Drivers License Programme

And for Traffic Trainee Advert

* South African Citizenship
* A Senior Certificate/ Grade 12 or equivalent
* A valid code B drivers license
* Below the age of thirty-five (35)
* No criminal record

(b) The RTMC isn’t aware of any applicant appointed without meeting minimum requirements.

1. (a) new National Traffic Police recruits will take place at Denel Technical Academy in Bonaero Park, Kempton Park, Atlas Road.

(b) The RTMC Training Provisioning Unit

(c) The recruits receive the Basic Traffic Diploma NQF Level 6