

# FREE STATE PROVINCE



The Municipal Manager  
Of each Municipality in the Free State

Dear Madam/Sir

## DETERMINATION OF NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF MAYORAL COMMITTEES IN THE FREE STATE

The executive mayor, if that municipality has more than 9 members, must in terms of section 60 of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 1998, appoint a mayoral committee from amongst the councillors to assist the executive mayor.

The following municipalities must appoint the number of members as indicated next to each municipality:

Municipality	Members	Mayoral committee	Members
Xhariep	14	Yes	3
Letsemeng	10	No	
Kopanong	14	No	
Mohokare	10	No	
Motheo	43	Yes	9
Naledi	8	No	
Mangaung	89	Yes	10
Mantsopa	16	No	
Lejweleputswa	37	Yes	7
Masilonyana	20	No.	
Tokologo	8	No	
Tswelopele	14	No	
Matjhabeng	72	Yes	10
Nala	24	No	
Thabo Mofutsanyane	40	Yes	8
Setsoto	33	No	
Dihlabeng	37	No	
Nketoana	18	No	
Maluti a Phofung	68	Yes	10
Phumelela	14	No	
Fezile Dabi	31	Yes	6
Moqhaka	50	Yes	10
Ngwathe	38	Yes	8
Metsimaholo	36	Yes	7
Mafube	17	No	

Section 60 of the Act reads as follows:

“60 Mayoral committees

- (1) If a municipal council has more than nine members, its executive mayor- (*My emphasis*)
  - (a) must appoint a mayoral committee from among the councillors to assist the executive mayor;
  - (b) may delegate specific responsibilities to each member of the committee;
  - (c) may delegate any of the executive mayor's powers to the respective members; and
  - (d) may dismiss a member of the mayoral committee.

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- (2) The mayoral committee must consist of the deputy executive mayor (if any) and as many councillors as may be necessary for effective and efficient government, provided that no more than 20 per cent of the councillors or 10 councillors, whichever is the least, are appointed.
- (3) Those of the executive mayor's powers and functions as may be designated by the municipal council, must be exercised and performed by the executive mayor together with the other members of the mayoral committee.
- (4) The members of a mayoral committee remain in office subject to subsection (5) and section 26, for the term of the executive mayor who appointed them.
- (5) If the executive mayor vacates office, the mayoral committee appointed by that executive mayor dissolves.”

It is trusted that this information will assist with the composition of your mayoral committees.

With kind regards

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