The information contained in this document is for guidance purposes only. Employees and Managers should consult with your internal department's process, actual work force adjustment agreements, relevant legislation and Treasury Board policy instruments for exact requirements.

ROADMAP TO ALTERNATION (For Potential Alternates and Their Managers)



Overview

Departmental processes may vary in their approach to alternation in consideration of respective budget impacts, implementation timelines and WFA guiding principles.

Transparent communication is important to mitigate any issues rising from exercising or implementing alternations.

An **indeterminate** employee wishing to

express an interest in alternating.

leave the core public administration may

☐ Substantive in **non-affected position**

Made an informed decision (financial,

If your manager may be able to accommodate

process, etc.) before pursuing alternation

Alternation is a management driven process because management will decide whether a proposed alternation will result in retaining the skills required to meet the ongoing needs of the position and the core public administration Manager of (Potential Alternate's) position ☐ Confirm employee has taken the steps to make an informed decision and is definitely interested in alternation. It may be recommended to have employee's interest in writing before proceeding further. Manager

Case by case Conversation **Planner**

Potential

Alternate

Manager's approval to pursue

Made consideration of future plans for that position.

Potential Departmental Alternations (may need to be first considered)

Interdepartmental

Has the authority to accommodate the employee's interest in alternation based on the

Alternate's Unaffected Position

Manager of (Alternate's) position is delegated to

identify the skills required (i.e. merit criteria)

departmental approach.

ensure the opting employee is qualified for the position and meets the ongoing needs

If more than one opting employee may be qualified, the manager should have an objective and fair process to select for the right fit.

☐ Must meet the job requirements for appointment or deployment to the **Opting** (Alternate's) position; this includes the **Employee** position's

language requirements

same group and level or when the two positions are considered equivalent; they are considered equal when the maximum rate of pay for the higher paid position is no more than 6 percent higher than the maximum rate of pay for the lower paid position.

conditions of employment, including security clearance

an alternation for your position, □ **know how** the manager would like to

proceed in finding a potential match based on department's established process

☐ be ready for the **alternation to occur** on a given specified date within the Opting employee's opting period

Successful match found and approved (by delegated authority)



Directly exchange positions on the same specified given day.

Refer to **Helpful Information** for more information on Alternate's entitlements in case of successful matches.

It is important to note there is no guarantee that a match will be found or approved.

If no alternation occurs by end of opting period, then the employee must choose one of the three options.