

(1) Sections A and B of the examination for Associate Membership of the Institution of Civil Engineers, including the subject Hydraulics; or

(2) an examination recognised by that Institution as granting exemption from Sections A and B including the subject Hydraulics; or

(d) have passed the whole of the examination for the Testamur of the Institution of Municipal Engineers, including the subject Water Supply or Sewage Disposal or such other examination as is required by the Institution for Corporate Membership including the subject Water Supply or Sewage Disposal.

Candidates admitted under (c) or (d) will, if appointed, not have their appointments confirmed unless they obtain Corporate Membership of the Institution of Civil Engineers or the Institution of Municipal Engineers within their probation period.

5. Health and Character.

Successful candidates must satisfy the Commissioners as to their health and character.

6. Application.

Only one application may be made under these regulations. Application must be made on the appropriate form within the time and in the manner of which notice is given by the Commissioners.

7. Competition.

Those candidates who on the evidence of the application forms, and any further information which the Commissioners think necessary to obtain, are found to be *prima facie* eligible, will be summoned to a Selection Board. The Commissioners may, if they see fit, summon only those candidates who by reason of their experience and qualifications appear to be most suitable for appointment. The same Selection Board may consider a candidate at one interview for one or more of the classes. The Selection Boards will take into consideration the candidates' record of experience and training, any recommendations from persons named by the candidates as having direct knowledge of their work in the past, and the personal qualities of the candidates as shown at the interview; and on their estimate of all the above facts they will frame their recommendations. The decision of the Commissioners will be final, and will be announced separately for the separate classes.

8. Candidates Trained as Teachers.

Persons upon whose training for the occupation of teacher public money has been spent cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate education authority (e.g. the Ministry of Education, the Scottish Education Department, the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland) has been notified to the Commissioners.

9. Assignment.

The Commissioners will decide to which Department each successful candidate is to be assigned. Assignment will be made in accordance with the needs of the public service but the wishes of candidates will, where possible, be respected.

10. Canvassing.

Any attempt on the part of candidates to enlist support for their application through Members of Parliament or other influential persons, except as referees to be named in their application forms, will disqualify them for appointment.

11. Fee.

A successful candidate will be required to pay a fee of £4 before the issue of a Certificate of Qualification for appointment.

Civil Service Commission, 28th June 1955

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of H.M. Treasury, viz. :—

REGULATIONS FOR THE RECRUITMENT FROM MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED ON REGULAR ENGAGEMENTS WITH H.M. FORCES FOR APPOINTMENT TO GRADE 6 POSTS IN BRANCH B OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE.

1. No candidate may compete more than twice under these or similar Regulations.

2. Age.

No age limits are prescribed.

3. Sex and Marriage.

Both men and women are eligible, but :—

(i) Married women are not eligible. A woman member of Branch B must resign her appointment on marriage.

(ii) The approval of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs is required before a successful male candidate who is married takes up appointment.

4. Nationality.

(1) Every candidate must

(a) be a natural-born British subject; and

(b) have been born within the United Kingdom or within one of the self-governing Dominions of parents both of whom were also born within the United Kingdom or within one of the self-governing Dominions.

(2) No departure from this rule will be made without the special permission of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and then only in exceptional cases and in favour of candidates who are British subjects and who also satisfy one of the following conditions :—

(a) If natural-born British subjects, they must either :—

(i) have at least one parent who is, or was at death, a British subject; or

(ii) have resided in Her Majesty's dominions and/or been employed elsewhere in the service of the Crown for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the date of their appointment.

(b) If naturalised British subjects, they must have resided in Her Majesty's dominions and/or been employed elsewhere in the service of the Crown for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the date of their appointment.

(c) If not qualified under (a) or (b) of this paragraph they must satisfy the Commissioners that they are so closely connected with Her Majesty's dominions either by ancestry, upbringing or residence, or by reason of national service, that an exception may properly be made in their favour.

5. Service.

(i) All candidates must either

(a) have completed, or on 1st November of the year in which the examination is held be within one year of completing, a period of not less than three years' continuous full-time service in H.M. Forces of which not less than one year must have been whole-time voluntary service entered into for a fixed period (including in the case of officers a permanent commission); or

(b) have contracted to complete a fixed period of whole-time voluntary service (including in the case of officers a permanent commission) which would have qualified under (a) and been invalidated before completing that period; or

(c) have contracted to complete in the Royal Air Force a fixed period of whole-time voluntary service (including in the case of officers a permanent commission) which would have qualified under (a) and been released, with full terminal benefits, before completing that period, under special arrangements made by the Air Ministry for those returning from service overseas near the end of their engagement.

(ii) No candidate will be eligible whose whole-time service ceased more than two years before 1st November of the year in which the examination is held.

6. Health and Character.

Successful candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners as to their health and character.

7. Examination.

The written examination will consist of papers in English and Arithmetic, General Paper, and a test of General Intelligence.

Candidates will be arranged in order of merit on their total mark in the examination as a whole, but before any candidate can be appointed, he or she will be required to establish, in an interview at the Foreign Office, that he or she has the ability to learn languages and is in other respects suitable for appointment to the Foreign Service. Even if there are unfilled vacancies, no candidate will be appointed who does not obtain a total which satisfies the Civil Service Commissioners.

8. Candidates Trained as Teachers.

Candidates who have been trained as teachers and upon whose training public money has been spent, cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate central education authority (e.g., the Ministry of Education, the Scottish Education Department, the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland) has been notified to the Commissioners.