

Civil Service Commission,

August 26, 1921.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the consent of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, viz.:—

REGULATIONS FOR THE COMPETITIVE SELECTION OF CHEMISTS, CLASS II, IN THE GOVERNMENT LABORATORY.

N.B.—These Regulations are liable to alteration from time to time.

1. *Age.*—Candidates must have attained the age of 23 and must not exceed the age of 30 on a date to be fixed in respect of the competition in which they are to take part. A candidate born on the governing date would be admitted on the day he attained the age of 23, but not on the day on which he attained 30.

2. *Nationality.*—A candidate must be a natural-born British subject, and born of a father also a natural-born British subject; provided that exception may be made in the case of candidates serving in a civil situation to which they were admitted with the certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners, and provided that exception may be made as to the father in the case of candidates who have served in His Majesty's Armed Forces between 4 August, 1914, and 11 November, 1918.

3. *Military Service.*—Until further order preference will be given to candidates who have served in His Majesty's Forces between 4 August, 1914, and 11 November, 1918.

4. *Publicity.*—The Government Chemist will take such steps as he thinks appropriate to make known the existence of any vacancy or vacancies which he desires to fill on any one occasion, and the Civil Service Commissioners will satisfy themselves that the steps taken have been such as to secure all desirable publicity.

5. *Application.*—Application shall be made to the Government Chemist, who, after a scrutiny of the candidates' credentials, will submit the names of such candidates as appear to have the requisite qualifications for any of the existing or prospective vacancies to the Civil Service Commissioners, who, if dissatisfied with the number or quality of candidates for any vacancy, may require further search to be made for qualified candidates.

Candidates must possess a degree or diploma of a standard not lower than a second class honours degree at a university, and must have had two years' post-graduate experience in chemical work. They should have a working knowledge of technical French and German.

6. *Health and Character.*—Candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners as to their health and character.

Until further order, and other things being equal, preference will be given by the Selection Board to candidates who are debarred from active employment by a physical impairment due to the War and not of a nature to interfere with the discharge of the duties of the post.

7. *Competition.*—Candidates who pass the scrutiny under Regulation 5 will be admitted to (a) an interview before a Selection Board and (b) a written examination in English. The Selection Board shall be nominated by the Commissioners in consultation with the authorities of the Department who shall be represented upon it, and if practicable one of the Commissioners shall be the Chairman. The

Selection Board will take into consideration the candidate's record of experience and education, any recommendations that they may receive from persons named by the candidate as having direct knowledge of his work in the past, and the candidate's scientific knowledge and his personal qualities as shown at the interview; and on their estimation of all the above evidence they will frame their decisions, which will be final. The Selection Board will arrange the candidates in order of merit, and the vacancies will be filled by the appointment of the candidates in order from the list, subject to their passing the examination and satisfying the Commissioners that they are eligible in all respects.

8. *Warning.*—Any attempt on the part of a candidate to enlist support for his application through Members of Parliament or other influential persons will disqualify him for appointment. The Selection Board will disregard spontaneous recommendations from persons who are not personally acquainted with the candidate's work, whether at school, at the University, in the Forces, or otherwise.

9. *Fee.*—A fee of £5 will be required from each candidate attending the Competition.

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Notice is hereby given that the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury and the Civil Service Commissioners have made the following Regulations under the Order in Council of 22nd July, 1920:—

1. All female candidates for any established situation in any of His Majesty's Civil establishments shall be unmarried or widows.

2. (a) Women appointed to or holding any established situation in any of His Majesty's Civil establishments shall be required to resign their appointments on marriage, and to notify their marriage to the head of their Department immediately on its taking place.

(b) Women resigning on marriage after service of not less than six years prior to their marriage may, at the discretion of the head of the Department and with the approval of the Treasury, be granted a gratuity at the rate of one month's pay for each complete year of established service, but not exceeding in the whole a maximum of 12 months' pay.

3. Provided that exceptions may be made to Regulations 1 and 2 (a) above, on the recommendation of the head of the Department, if the Civil Service Commissioners and the Treasury (in cases of recruitment), and the Treasury (in case of an officer already holding an established position) are satisfied that it is in the interests of the Public Service that such exception shall be made.

Every such exception shall be published in the London Gazette, and officers appointed or retained thereunder will not be eligible for marriage gratuity.

HARBOURS, DOCKS AND PIERS (TEMPORARY INCREASE OF CHARGES) ACT, 1920.

Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Quay and Harbour.

Gloucester Harbour.

St. Annes-on-the-Sea Pier.

Tynemouth Corporation Fish Quay.