

*Civil Service Commission,
July 31, 1928.*

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

REGULATIONS RESPECTING COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS FOR APPOINTMENTS IN THE FOREIGN OFFICE AND DIPLOMATIC SERVICE.

1. Candidates will be required to appear before a Board of Selection which will meet at the Office of the Civil Service Commission on the first Tuesday in May, and will decide which Candidates possess suitable qualifications for entry into the Foreign Office or Diplomatic Service in order to enable them to compete at the examination prescribed below. Candidates may appear before this Board of Selection at any time after they have attained the age of nineteen; but a Candidate who is not recommended for acceptance by the Board of Selection may not appear before that Board for interview a second time unless he is specifically notified after his first appearance that the Board will be prepared to see him again.

2. Candidates must have attained the age of 22 and must not have attained the age of 25 on the first day of August in the year in which the Examination is held. In reckoning age for competition, Candidates who have served in the Army, Navy or Air Force between the 4th August, 1914, and the 11th November, 1918, may deduct from their actual age any period of service between the 4th August, 1914, and the 31st December, 1919.

3. Candidates must be natural-born British subjects, and born within the United Kingdom or in one of the self-governing Dominions of parents also born within those territories; except when the circumstances are such as to justify a departure from the general rule, in which case they can be allowed to compete by special permission of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, provided they fulfil the conditions of the rule in respect of nationality prescribed for Candidates for admission to His Majesty's Civil Service as a whole, viz.:—

“No person will be eligible for appointment to the Civil Service who is not a natural-born British subject and the son 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 regards the father in the case of Candidates who have served in His Majesty's Armed Forces during the Great War between the 4th August, 1914, and the 11th November, 1918.”

4. No person actually serving in the Army, Navy or Air Force will be eligible for admission to the Examination unless he produces to the Civil Service Commissioners, when called upon to do so, the permission of his Commanding Officer to attend the Examination, dated before the commencement of the competition, and given in accordance with such orders as may from time to time be issued.

Persons holding situations in the Civil Service must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to attend the Examination before the commencement of the competition.

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 has been notified to the Civil Service Commissioners.

5. Candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners as to their health and character.

6. The Examination will include the following subjects. The numerical value is shown against each subject.

SECTION A.—Subject to the instructions at the head of Section B of this rule Candidates are to take up all the subjects in this section.

	Marks.
1. ESSAY	100
2. ENGLISH	100
3. PRESENT DAY	100
4. EVERYDAY SCIENCE	100
5. AUXILIARY LANGUAGE	100
6. VIVA VOCE	300

SECTION B.—Candidates must take up Subjects 10 (European History, Period 3), 54 (French Language) and 56 (German Language). They are allowed to take up other subjects in this section up to a total of 1,100 marks, inclusive of the marks for Subjects 10, 54 and 56. They may, further, in lieu of the auxiliary language in Section A and that in Section C, either or both, offer a subject or subjects in Section B to the value of 100 marks in substitution for one such language or 200 marks in substitution for both such languages.

History.

	Marks.
7. English History to 1660	200
8. British History, 1660-1914	200
9. European History, <i>either</i> Period 1 or Period 2	200
10. European History, Period 3	200

Economics, Politics, Law and Philosophy.

	Marks.
11. General Economics	200
12. Economic History	100
13. Public Economics	100
14. Political Theory	100
15. Political Organization	100
16. Constitutional Law	100
17. Private Law	200
18. Roman Law	100
19. International Law	100
20. Moral Philosophy	100
21. Metaphysics	100
22. Logic	100
23. Psychology	100
24. Experimental Psychology	100

Mathematics and Science.

	Marks.
25. Lower Pure Mathematics	200
26. Higher Pure Mathematics	200
27. Lower Applied Mathematics	200
28. Higher Applied Mathematics	200
29. Astronomy	200
30. Statistics	100
31. Lower Chemistry	200