

*Civil Service Commission,
November 28, 1930.*

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 OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS FOR THE SITUATION OF MALE SORTING CLERK AND TELEGRAPHIST IN BELFAST, EDINBURGH AND CERTAIN PROVINCIAL TOWNS IN GREAT BRITAIN IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

These Regulations are liable to alteration from time to time.

1. The limits of age for this situation are 15 and 18. Candidates must be within the prescribed limits of age on the day of the examination.

2. Every candidate must be a natural-born British subject, the child of a person who is or was at the time of death a British subject; provided that exception may be made in the case of persons serving in a civil situation to which they were admitted with the certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners.

Provided also that if the Civil Service Commissioners are satisfied in the case of any candidate who is a British subject but does not fulfil all the requirements of the rule as to nationality and descent, that the candidate is so closely connected by ancestry and upbringing with His Majesty's dominions that an exception may properly be made to that rule, they may accept such candidate as eligible provided that this discretion shall not be exercisable unless (a) the father or the paternal grandfather of the candidate was a natural-born British subject, and (b) neither the father nor the paternal grandfather had acquired any other nationality by naturalisation or by any other voluntary and formal act.

3. Candidates will be required to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners that they are duly qualified in respect of health and character.

4. At each Examination the number of candidates to be selected will be such as the Postmaster-General may from time to time fix.

5. The Examination will be in the following subjects, viz. :—

1. English.
2. History.
3. Geography.
4. Arithmetic.

Candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners in Handwriting and in the Examination as a whole.

6. The Examination is open only to local candidates. A local candidate is regarded as one whose family home is situated where he

can travel to and from the office conveniently and without detriment to his health or the interests of the Department. It will be within the authority of the Postmaster-General to decline to employ a candidate successful in the Examination if he is not satisfied on enquiry that the candidate complies with this requirement.

7. Candidates must be at least 5 feet in height, and no officer will be retained in the Service who does not attain the height of 5 feet 4 inches before completing his nineteenth year.

8. In view of the difficulty which left-handed operators are likely to experience in the use of instruments designed for right-handed operators, candidates who are markedly left-handed are ineligible for appointment.

9.—(i) Persons actually serving in the Army, Navy, or Air Force are ineligible to compete, (ii) Persons holding situations in the Civil Service, Probationary Engineer Cadets in the Navy, and Apprentices in His Majesty's Dockyards must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to attend the Examination before the commencement of the competition.

10. 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.

11. Application for permission to attend an Examination must be made at such time and in such manner as may be fixed by the Civil Service Commissioners.

12. A fee of 10s. will be required from every Candidate attending an Examination.

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The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that an Open Competitive Examination for the situations of Typist and Clerk-Typist in Departments of the Civil Service will be held in Belfast, Birmingham, Bristol, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leeds, London, Manchester, Newcastle-on-Tyne and Portsmouth, commencing on the 24th March, 1931, under the Regulations dated the 11th November, 1927, and published in the London Gazette of the same date.

No person will be admitted to Examination from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received on or before the 15th January, 1931, an application, in the Candidate's own handwriting, on the prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.