

37 to 48 must produce evidence satisfactory to the Civil Service Commissioners of laboratory training in an institution of university rank. For Astronomy (36), Engineering (49), Geography (50), and the Physical Anthropology branch of Special Anthropology (52), other equivalent training will be required. There will be no laboratory test as part of the examination.

11. From the marks assigned to candidates in each subject such deduction will be made as the Civil Service Commissioners may deem necessary in order to secure that no credit be allowed for merely superficial knowledge.

12. Moreover, candidates whose handwriting is not easily legible will suffer a further deduction of marks on that account.

13. Application for permission to attend one of these examinations must be made in the writing of the candidate, at such times and in such manner as may be fixed by the Commissioners.

14. A fee of £2 will be required from every applicant for permission to attend an examination; this fee is not returnable in any circumstances. A further fee of £6, being the balance of the prescribed fee of £8, will be required from every candidate attending such examination.

*Civil Service Commission,*

*December 22, 1936.*

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 APPOINTMENT TO THE CONSULAR SERVICE, AND TO POSTS IN THE ASSISTANT OFFICER GRADE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OVERSEAS TRADE.**

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 second Tuesday in May, and will decide which candidates possess suitable qualifications for entry into the Consular Service, and to posts in the Assistant Officer Grade in the Department of Overseas Trade, in order to enable them to compete at the examination prescribed below. Candidates may appear before this Board 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.—(i) Candidates must have attained the age of 21 and must not have attained the age of 25 on the first day of August in the year in which the examination is held.

(ii) Candidates for appointment to the Consular Service must be unmarried. Probationer vice-consuls who marry either during the first two years of their service or before passing the examinations prescribed for them will be refused confirmation of their appointment and will be required to forfeit the amount of their bonds.

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. :—

“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 natural-born British subjects who have satisfactorily completed a period of not less than five years' service on full pay in His Majesty's Regular Forces.

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 naturalization or by any other voluntary and formal act.”

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.—Candidates take up all the subjects in this section.

1. ESSAY ... ..	100
2. ENGLISH ... ..	100
3. ELEMENTARY ECONOMICS <i>or</i> PRESENT DAY ... ..	100
4. VIVA VOCE ... ..	300

SECTION B.—Candidates may take up subjects in this section up to a total not exceeding 750 marks, unless they offer subject 76 Russian Language, in which case the maximum total for the section is 800.