

8. *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 be respected as far as possible.

9. *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 by them in their Application Forms, will disqualify them for appointment.

10. *Fee.*—Every candidate undergoing the qualifying examination in English will be required to pay a fee of 10s. on admission to the examination.

Civil Service Commission.

22nd November, 1949.

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 OF YOUNG MEN WHO HAVE COMPLETED A PERIOD OF COMPULSORY NATIONAL SERVICE FOR GRADE 5 POSTS IN BRANCH B OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE.

1. *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 His 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 His 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 closely connected with His 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.

2. *Education.*—No precise educational qualifications are prescribed, but candidates will be expected to have attained the standard of education of persons who have had whole time systematic education up to the age of at least 17 years.

3. *Service.*—Candidates must have completed before the first day of the examination a period of compulsory national service under the National Service Acts; they may not make more than two attempts in all and these must be made not later than the third examination held under these Regulations after the completion of national service. The date officially recorded as the last day of national service is normally the last day of demobilisation or release leave; candidates are not, however, precluded from competing at an examination held during their demobilisation or release leave.

4. *Health and Character.*—Successful candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners as to their health and character.

5. *Examination.*—The examination will consist of:—

(a) A written examination consisting of papers in English and Arithmetic, three General Papers, and a test of General Intelligence.

(b) An interview before a Selection Board, to which only those who obtain a certain minimum number of marks in the written examination will be summoned.

The final order of merit will be determined by the mark awarded by the Selection Board (out of a maximum of 300). This will take into account the candidate's record, his intelligence and personal qualities,

and his work in the written examination. In the event of a tie between two or more candidates the Commissioners will decide which to declare successful. Before any candidate can be appointed he will be required to establish, in an interview at the Foreign Office, that he has the ability to learn languages and is in other respects suitable for appointment to the Foreign Service.

6. *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.

7. *Fee.*—A fee of 15s. is payable by all candidates. This must be sent with the application form, and is not returnable in any circumstances.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competitive Examination will be held under the above Regulations commencing on the 16th February, 1950. The provisional list of centres at which the examination may be held is:—Aberdeen, Aberystwyth, Ashford (Kent), Barnsley, Barnstaple, Bedford, Belfast, Birmingham, Blackburn, Blackpool, Bolton, Bournemouth, Brighton, Bristol, Cambridge, Cardiff, Carlisle, Chatham, Chester, Colwyn Bay, Coventry, Darlington, Dundee, Dunfermline, Edinburgh, Exeter, Glasgow, Gloucester, Grimsby, Hull, Inverness, Ipswich, Leeds, Leicester, Lincoln, Liverpool, London, Londonderry, Manchester, Morecambe, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Newport (Mon.), Norwich, Nottingham, Oxford, Pembroke Dock, Peterborough, Plymouth, Portsmouth, Preston, Reading, Salisbury, Sheffield, Shrewsbury, Southampton, Stockton-on-Tees, Stoke-on-Trent, Swansea, Swindon, Taunton, Truro, Worcester, Workington, and York, but the final list will not be decided until it is known how many candidates wish to be examined at each centre.

No person will be admitted to the examination from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 8th December, 1949, an application, in the candidate's own handwriting, on the prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

Civil Service Commission.

22nd November, 1949.

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REGULATIONS FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF YOUNG MEN WHO HAVE COMPLETED A PERIOD OF COMPULSORY NATIONAL SERVICE FOR THE EXECUTIVE CLASS (AND CORRESPONDING DEPARTMENTAL CLASSES) OF THE HOME CIVIL SERVICE.

1. *Nationality.* Candidates must be British subjects. They must 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 His 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 His 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 His 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.

2. *Education.* No precise educational qualifications are prescribed, but candidates will be expected to have attained the standard of education of persons who have had whole time systematic education up to the age of at least 17 years.

3. *Service.* Candidates must have completed before the first day of the examination a period of compulsory national service under the National Service