

for sick leave and pension in a post to which such a certificate would normally apply, may deduct from their actual age any time not exceeding two years which they have spent in such service before 1st January, 1953.

2. Sex and Marriage.

(i) Both men and women may compete under these Regulations except that women will not be eligible for appointment under the War Office.

(ii) Married women who have formerly been established civil servants and have drawn marriage gratuity (other than those who resigned compulsorily on marriage and whose resignation took effect before 15th October, 1946, or who are widows or divorced, or who are separated from their husbands, or whose husbands suffer without hope of recovery from total physical or mental incapacity) will not be eligible unless they undertake to refund on appointment the marriage gratuity paid.

3. 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 Her 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 Her 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 Her 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.

Provided that a candidate will not be eligible for an appointment under the War Office unless he or she is a natural-born British subject and born within the United Kingdom or in one of the self-governing Dominions, of parents also born within the United Kingdom or in one of the self-governing Dominions, except when the circumstances are such as to justify a departure from the general rule, in which case, provided the candidate satisfies the conditions prescribed by the preceding paragraphs, he or she may be admitted to appointment or competition by special permission of the Secretary of State for War.

4. Qualification.

(i) Architects.

At the time of application candidates must be Registered Architects by examination, or Registered Architects who, since registration, have passed any professional examination in Architecture recognised by the Architects' Registration Council of the United Kingdom as qualifying for registration under the Architects' (Registration) Acts.

Candidates for the Ministry of Works will also have to satisfy the Department of their capability in architectural design by supplying drawings and submitting to a *viva voce* examination.

(ii) Maintenance Surveyors.

At the time of application candidates must either

(a) be Registered Architects by examination, or Registered Architects who, since registration, have passed any professional examination in Architecture recognised by the Architects' Registration Council of the United Kingdom as qualifying for registration under the Architects' (Registration) Acts, or

(b) be Corporate Members of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (Building Section), or

(c) have passed a degree or other examinations necessary for obtaining Corporate Membership.

Candidates admitted under (c) will not have their appointments confirmed unless they obtain Corporate Membership as defined in (b) above within their probation period.

(iii) Exceptionally where a candidate is prevented by circumstances outside his control from obtaining Corporate Membership within this period, the appointment may be confirmed, with the concurrence

of the Treasury and the Civil Service Commissioners, provided that there is satisfactory evidence that the qualification is likely to be obtained within a reasonable time.

(iv) All candidates will be expected to possess wide professional experience in private or outside practice or in the service of a Local Authority or Government Department. For the post of Architect in the Prison Commission experience of Hospital and Institution work is desirable.

5. Health and Character.

Successful candidates must satisfy the Commissioners as to their health and character.

6. Application.

Application must be made on the appropriate form within the time and in the manner of which notice is given by the Commissioners.

7. Competition.

Those candidates who on the evidence of their application forms, and any further information which the Commissioners think necessary to obtain, are found to be *prima facie* eligible, will be summoned to a Selection Board. The Commissioners may, if they see fit, summon only those candidates who by reason of their experience and qualifications appear to be most suitable for appointment. The same Selection Board may consider a candidate at one interview for one or both of the classes. The Selection Boards will take into consideration the candidates' record of experience and training, any recommendation from persons named by the candidates as having direct knowledge of their work in the past, and the personal qualities of the candidates as shown at the interview; and on their estimate of all the above facts they will frame their recommendations. The decision of the Commissioners will be final and will be announced separately for each class.

8. Candidates Trained as Teachers.

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 (e.g., the Ministry of Education, the Scottish Education Department, the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland) has been notified to the Commissioners.

9. 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, where possible, be respected.

10. 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 in their application forms, will disqualify them for appointment.

11. Fee.

A successful candidate will be required to pay a fee of £4 before the issue of a Certificate of Qualification for appointment.

Civil Service Commission. 20th January, 1953.

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.:—

RECRUITMENT OF ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS IN THE NATIONAL SAVINGS COMMITTEE.

1. (i) Both men and women may compete under these Regulations.

(ii) Married women who have formerly been established civil servants and have drawn marriage gratuity (other than those who resigned compulsorily on marriage and whose resignation took effect before 15th October, 1946, or who are widows or divorced, or who are separated from their husbands, or whose husbands suffer without hope of recovery from total physical or mental incapacity) will not be eligible unless they undertake to refund on appointment the marriage gratuity paid.

Provided that this undertaking will not be required if the break between the first period of service (including any period of unestablished service immediately following the period in respect of which the gratuity was paid) and the date of re-establishment is more than seven years.