

2. Sex and Marriage.

(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 husband 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.

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.

4. Qualifications.

Candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners that they have received such systematic education and have gained such experience as fits them for the post. A University education and a knowledge of economics are desirable. Experience of public speaking, supervision of office procedure, and organisation of work with the public, will be an advantage.

5. Health and Character.

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

6. Competition.

Those candidates who appear from their application forms to have the best qualifications will be summoned to an interview before a Selection Board, who will recommend to the Commissioners for appointment the candidates who appear to them to possess the highest qualifications. The decision of the Commissioners will be final. The Selection Board will take into consideration a candidate's record of experience and education, any recommendations that they may receive from persons named by 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 estimation of the above evidence they will frame their decision.

7. 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 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.

8. Canvassing.

Any attempt on the part of candidates to enlist support for their applications through Members of Parliament or other influential persons (except as referees to be named by them in their application form) will disqualify them for appointment. The Selection Board will disregard recommendations from persons who are not personally acquainted with the candidate's work.

9. Fee.

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

NATIONAL INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF PRELIMINARY DRAFT REGULATIONS ENTITLED THE NATIONAL INSURANCE (CONTRIBUTIONS) AMENDMENT REGULATIONS, 1955.

In accordance with section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, the National Insurance Advisory Committee give notice that they have received from the Joint Authority (comprising the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance and the Minister of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland) for consideration and report thereon the preliminary draft of regulations entitled the National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1955.

A short explanatory note on these regulations is appended to this notice.

Copies of the preliminary draft of these regulations may be purchased directly (price 4d.) from Her Majesty's Stationery Office at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 423, Oxford Street, London, W.1; 13a, Castle Street, Edinburgh, 2; 39, King Street, Manchester, 2; 109, St. Mary Street, Cardiff; 80, Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

The Committee will take into consideration any objection, made by or on behalf of persons affected, sent to them before 24th June, 1955. Having regard to the terms of the Act, which provides that objections must be made within a period of 28 days at most, the Committee are unable to allow a longer period within which objections may be submitted. If an objection is submitted within the prescribed time, however, the Committee will be prepared, if they are satisfied that sufficient grounds exist, to allow the later submission of evidence or explanation in support of the objection. Objections should be addressed to the Secretary, National Insurance Advisory Committee, 10, John Adam Street, London, W.C.2.

Will Spens, Chairman.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

These regulations contain miscellaneous amendments to the National Insurance Contributions Regulations, principally those made in consequence of the National Insurance Act, 1955. Regulations 2, 3 and 4 amend the provisions relating to the grant of certificates of exception from liability to pay contributions. They amend those provisions so as to take account of the increase to £156 a year of the limit of income under which such certificates may be granted; provide that certificates may be made retrospective for a period not exceeding 13 weeks and amend the provisions under which they cease to be in force. They also allow certain additional items of income to be disregarded in determining whether a person is in receipt of an income of less than £156 a year. Regulation 5 provides the manner in which the weekly rate of remuneration is to be calculated in certain cases for the purpose of Parts I and II of the First Schedule to the National Insurance Act, 1946.

BOROUGH OF BUXTON.

Whereas the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Buxton (hereinafter called "the Corporation") have made application to the Minister of Housing and Local Government (hereinafter called "the Minister") for the issue of an order under section 303 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to alter or amend section 103 of the Buxton Corporation Act, 1927 (which relates to subscriptions to local government associations and other expenses) so as to enable the Corporation to pay out of the general rate fund reasonable expenses in connection with the reception and entertainment of persons attending any conference, meeting or trade fair convened by any institution, association or society and held within the borough:

Notice is hereby given that the Minister will consider any objections or representations made to him in writing before 27th June, 1955, by any person or body interested in the subject-matter of the said application. Such objections should be addressed to the Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Local Government, Whitehall, London, S.W.1, and copies of them should at the same time be sent to the Town Clerk, Town Hall, Buxton, Derbyshire.

J. D. Jones, Assistant Secretary.

Ministry of Housing and Local Government,
Whitehall, London, S.W.1.

20th May, 1955.