

entered into for a fixed period (including in the case of officers a permanent commission); or

(ii) have contracted to complete a fixed period of whole-time voluntary service (including in the case of officers a permanent commission) which would have qualified under (i) and been invalidated before completing that period; or

(iii) have contracted to complete in the Royal Air Force a fixed period of whole-time voluntary service (including in the case of officers a permanent commission) which would have qualified under (i) and been released, with full terminal benefits, before completing that period, under special arrangements made by the Air Ministry for those returning from service overseas near the end of their engagement.

No candidate will be eligible for inclusion in this reservation if his whole-time service ceased more than two years before 1st March or 1st September, as the case may be, of the year in which the examination is held (see Regulation 2).

8. 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 Scottish Education Department, the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland) has been notified to the Commissioners. This does not apply to teachers trained in England or Wales.

9. Fee.

An application fee of 7s. 6d. is payable by all candidates. This must be sent with the application form and is not returnable in any circumstances. A further fee of 12s. 6d., being the balance of the prescribed fee of £1, must be paid by each candidate on admission to the examination.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competition will be held under the above Regulations, the written examination will be held on 14th September, 1956.

Applications on the prescribed form for admission to the Competition should be received by the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission on or before 19th July, 1956. Application forms may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

Civil Service Commission, 26th June, 1956.

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 TO THE BASIC GRADE OF QUANTITY SURVEYOR.

1. Age.

Candidates must be at least 25 and under 35 years of age on 1st January, 1956. But

(1) a candidate who has served or is serving on a regular (including a regular short-service) engagement in H.M. Forces may deduct from his actual age the period of such service rendered before 1st January, 1956;

(2) candidates who have served in any established post to which they were admitted with the Certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners, or who have served on established conditions except 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, 1956;

(3) candidates over the age of 34 will be admitted to the competition if they have served in Government Departments as temporary Quantity Surveyors for at least two years continuously up to their date of application.

2. Sex and Marriage.

(i) Both men and women may compete under these Regulations, except that women will not be eligible for appointments under the Admiralty, War Department or Air Ministry

(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.

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 Admiralty, War Office or Air Ministry 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 First Lord of the Admiralty, Secretary of State for War, or Secretary of State for Air as the case may be.

4. Qualifications.

A candidate who is taking before the closing date for applications an examination necessary to qualify for admission to the competition will be admitted before the result of the examination is known. He will not, however, be declared successful unless on the result of the examination he obtains the requisite qualification.

All candidates should possess professional ability. Normally this should be supported by evidence of appropriate professional experience in private or outside practice or in the service of a Local Authority or Government Department. In all cases the candidate's professional ability will need to be effectively demonstrated within the period of probation (or corresponding period of trial).

At the time of application (subject to the above proviso) candidates must either

(a) have obtained Corporate Membership of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (Quantities Section) or

(b) have passed the examinations necessary for obtaining Corporate Membership in that section.

Candidates admitted under (b) will not have their appointments confirmed unless they obtain Corporate Membership of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (Quantities Section) within their probation period (or the corresponding period of trial).

5. Health and Character.

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

6. Application.

Only one application may be made for the competition governed by these Regulations.

7. Competition.

Those candidates who on the evidence of the 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 Selection Board will take into consideration the candidates' record of experience and training, any