

should bear the writer's address and signature and be sent to the Secretary, Retail Drapery, Outfitting and Footwear Trades Wages Council (Great Britain), Ebury Bridge House, Ebury Bridge Road, London, S.W.1. It is desirable that persons making objections should state the precise nature of their objections.

F. D. Grover, Secretary.

16th July, 1956.

Civil Service Commission.

17th July, 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.:-

Recruitment to the Clerical Classes (General and Departmental) of the Home Civil Service through the General Certificate of Education.

1. Age

Candidates must be at least 16 years of age on the date on which their application form is posted to the Commission, and under 18 years of age on 1st March, 1956.

2. Sex

Both boys and girls are eligible.

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. Education.

(i) Candidates educated in England and Wales must obtain, in not more than two examinations, the General Certificate of Education, at the Ordinary level in English Language and at Ordinary (or Advanced) level in four of the following subjects:—

English Literature
Geography
History (see Note 1)
Economics
Economics and Public Affairs
Latin
Greek
French
German
Spanish
Italian
Russian
Welsh (see Note 2)
Mathematics (see Note 3)
Physics
Chemistry
Physics-and-Chemistry (see Note 4)
Botany
Zoology
Biology (see Note 5)
General Science or Additional General Science (see Note 6).
Geometrical Drawing or Geometrical and Mechanical (or Machine) Drawing or Technical Drawing.

Note 1.—Any one of the subjects recognised by the examining bodies will be accepted, e.g., History, History of the British Empire, Foreign History, Ancient History, etc.

Note 2.—One of the following will be accepted: Welsh, Welsh Language, Welsh Literature, Welsh Language and Literature.

Note 3.—Any one of the subjects recognised by the examining bodies will be accepted, e.g., Pure

Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Pure and Applied Mathematics.

Note 4.—Physics-and-Chemistry may not be offered with Physics or Chemistry.

Note 5.—Biology may not be offered with Botany or Zoology.

Note 6.—General Science or Additional General Science may not be offered if any other science subject is chosen.

(ii) Candidates educated in Scotland may be considered on their results in the examination for the Scottish Leaving Certificate. They should have passes on either the lower or the higher grade in English and at least four of the following subjects:—

Geography	Italian
History	Russian
Latin	Gaelic
Greek	Technical subjects
French	Mathematics
German	Science
Spanish	

A pass on the higher grade in English or Science will be accepted as the equivalent of a pass in two subjects if the Scottish Education Department certifies that the appropriate standard was reached in both subjects. Passes must have been obtained in all the five subjects in not more than two examinations.

Scottish candidates who do not hold the Scottish Leaving Certificate with the requisite number of passes may, in appropriate circumstances, offer instead a certificate of equivalent qualification based on their results in the Scottish Leaving Certificate examination. Application for certificates should be made to the Secretary, Scottish Education Department, Government Buildings, Broomhouse Drive, Saughton, Edinburgh, 11.

(iii) Candidates educated in Northern Ireland may offer passes in the appropriate subjects obtained in the Senior Certificate examination of the Northern Ireland Ministry of Education.

(iv) Candidates who expect to obtain the required educational qualification at an examination held not later than the 31st December, 1956, may apply. If they are recommended as suitable for appointment they may be appointed to temporary posts but their success in the competition will be conditional upon their producing evidence satisfactory to the Civil Service Commissioners that they have obtained the required educational qualification.

5. School recommendation

Candidates must be recommended by the Headmaster or Headmistress of their school as suitable for appointment in the Civil Service.

6. Interview

Candidates who are eligible and who after interview appear suitable for appointment will be declared successful. The Commissioners' decision will be final.

7. Candidates trained as teachers

Candidates who have been trained as teachers elsewhere than in England or Wales 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.

8. Health and character

Candidates declared successful for permanent appointment must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners as to their health and character before they can be appointed.

9. Assignment

The Commissioners will decide to which Department each successful candidate is to be assigned. Assignments will be made in accordance with the needs of the public service, but the wishes of candidates will, where possible, be taken into account.

10. Fee

No fee is required.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competition will be held under the above Regulations.

Applications on the prescribed form for admission to the Competition should be received by the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission on or before 31st December, 1956. Application forms may be obtained from the Secretary at once.