

(c) Ability to drive a motor car is necessary for almost every post in the Service, and candidates who do not hold a current driving licence are normally expected to obtain one within three months of taking appointment.

5. Competition.

Candidates who appear from their applications to have the best qualifications will be summoned to a Selection Board in London consisting of representatives of the Civil Service Commissioners and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. The Selection Board will take into consideration the candidates' record of education, training and experience (with due regard to loss of opportunity and professional knowledge by those who have served in the Forces) any recommendation 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.

The Selection Board will recommend the grade and type of work in which a successful candidate will be offered appointment, and may recommend a candidate to a grade or type of work other than that for which he has applied. If a candidate is to be interviewed solely for a grade or type of work other than that for which he has applied, he will if possible be informed before being summoned for interview.

6. Health and Character.

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

7. Candidates trained as Teachers.

Candidates who have been trained as teachers in Northern Ireland or in the Irish Republic, and upon whose training public money has been spent, cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate education authority has been notified to the Commissioners.

8. Refund of Marriage Gratuity.

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 widowed 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 for appointment under these Regulations to situations which render them eligible for pension and other benefits under the Superannuation Acts, 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.

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 on their application forms, will disqualify them for appointment.

10. Fee.

A successful candidate will be required to pay the appropriate fee before the issue of a Certificate of Qualification for appointment, viz. :—

Grade III	...	...	...	...	£4
Grade III	...	...	...	...	£3
Grade IV (a) or IV (b)	...	...	...	...	£2

11. The Commissioners' decision will be final in all matters concerning this competition.

Civil Service Commission, 17th January, 1958.

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 TELECOMMUNICATION TRAFFIC SUPERINTENDENTS IN THE POST OFFICE.

1. Both men and women may compete under these Regulations.

2. Age.

Candidates must be at least 17½ and under 24½ years of age on 1st March, 1958. But

(a) a candidate who has served or is serving in H.M. Forces or in H.M. Overseas Civil Service may deduct from his actual age the period of such service rendered before 1st March, 1958 ;

(b) a candidate who has served in any established post to which he was admitted with the Certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners, or who has served on established conditions except for sick leave and pension in a post to which such a certificate would normally apply, may deduct from his actual age any time not exceeding two years which he has spent in such service before 1st March, 1958.

3. Nationality.

To be eligible for appointment a candidate must be a British subject, a British protected person or a citizen of the Irish Republic and in addition satisfy one of the following conditions :—

(a) if he was a British subject, a British protected person or a citizen of the Irish Republic at birth—

(i) at least one of his parents must be, or have been at death, a British subject, a British protected person or a citizen of the Irish Republic, or

(ii) the candidate must have resided in a country or territory within the Commonwealth or in the Irish Republic or been employed elsewhere in the service of the Crown or partly have so resided and partly been so employed for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the date of his appointment ;

(b) if he was not a British subject, a British protected person or a citizen of the Irish Republic at birth, he must have resided in a country or territory within the Commonwealth or in the Irish Republic or been employed elsewhere in the service of the Crown or partly have so resided and partly been so employed for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the date of his appointment ;

(c) if not qualified under sub-paragraph (a) or sub-paragraph (b) of this paragraph, he must satisfy the Commissioners that he is so closely connected with a country or territory within the Commonwealth either by ancestry, upbringing or residence, or by reason of national service, that an exception may properly be made in his favour.

4. Examination.

(A) WRITTEN EXAMINATION.

The subjects of examination will be as follows :—

<i>Compulsory Subjects</i>	<i>Maximum Marks</i>
1. English	200
2. Arithmetic	100
3. General Knowledge	100
<i>Optional Subjects</i>	
4. Pure Mathematics	200
5. Applied Mathematics	200
6. Physics	200
7. Chemistry	200

Candidates who are not exempt under the provisions contained in (B) below must take the written examination. They must offer the compulsory subjects (1) to (3) and any two subjects chosen from the optional subjects (4) to (7), and must obtain in each of the compulsory subjects and in the written examination as a whole such a standard as to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners.

(B) EXEMPTION FROM THE WRITTEN EXAMINATION.

Candidates who possess by the 6th February, 1958, one of the educational qualifications set out below will be exempted from the written examination.

(a) A General Certificate of Education with passes in the following subjects :—

(i) English Language at Ordinary level ;
(ii) at least two of the following at Advanced level :—

Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Pure and Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry ; and

(iii) two additional subjects at Ordinary or Advanced level. If no mathematics subject is offered under (ii), one of these additional subjects must be Mathematics at Ordinary level. If neither Physics nor Chemistry is offered under (ii), one of these additional subjects must be