

Provided also that if the Civil Service Commissioners are satisfied in the case of any candidate who is a British subject, but does not fulfil all the requirements of the rule as to nationality and descent, that the candidate is so closely connected by ancestry and upbringing with His Majesty's dominions that an exception may properly be made to that rule, they may accept such candidate as eligible provided that this discretion shall not be exercisable unless (a) the father or the paternal grandfather of the candidate was a natural-born British subject, and (b) neither the father nor the paternal grandfather had acquired any other nationality by naturalisation or by any other voluntary and formal act.

3. Persons holding situations in the Civil Service must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to apply for appointment.

No person actually serving in the Navy, Army or Air Force will be eligible for consideration unless he produces, when called upon to do so, the permission of his Commanding Officer to apply for appointment, dated before his appearance before the Selection Board, and given in accordance with such orders as may from time to time be issued.

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 has been notified to the Civil Service Commissioners.

4. Candidates must be prepared to serve at home or abroad as may be directed.

5. H.M. Office of Works will take such steps as they think most appropriate to make known the existence of any vacancies which they desire to fill, and the Civil Service Commissioners will satisfy themselves that the steps taken have been such as to secure all desirable publicity.

6. Applications shall be addressed in the first instance to the Secretary, H.M. Office of Works, and shall be made on a form to be obtained from the Establishment Officer of that Department. The form must be stamped by the applicant with a "Civil Service" stamp or stamps of the value of 10s.; this fee is payable in respect of the application and will not be returned in any circumstances.

7. Candidates should have had at least six years' experience in the study and practice of architecture in an architect's office, provided that whole-time study in an architectural school may be allowed to count towards this period up to a maximum of three years.

8. Applications will be scrutinised by the Office of Works in association with the Civil Service Commissioners, and the candidates who appear to be best qualified in both general and special attainments will be submitted to an examination in Architectural Design, and of those who qualify and obtain the highest marks a certain number, to be determined by the Civil Service Commissioners, will be summoned to an interview before a Selection Board who will recommend for the vacancies existing those candidates who appear to them most suitable. The decision of the Selection Board will be final. The Board will be nominated by the Commissioners in consultation with the Office of Works who will be represented thereon.

9. The appointment of selected candidates will be subject to their satisfying the Civil Service Commissioners of their eligibility in respect of age, nationality, health and character, and will not be confirmed unless and until they have passed the prescribed period of probation to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of H.M. Works.

Women candidates must be unmarried or widows and will normally be required to resign their appointments on marriage; but exception to the rule requiring resignation on marriage may, in individual circumstances, be made where the employment of a married woman is considered advisable in the light of her special qualifications, or special experience in relation to the duties required of her, or of the special requirements of the Department.

10. In addition to the fee of ten shillings payable on application (Clause 6), each candidate admitted to the examination (Clause 8) will be required to pay a fee of £2. A selected candidate will be required to pay a fee of £8, towards which the fees paid on application and on examination will count, before the issue of the certificate of qualification for appointment.

11. Any attempt on the part of candidates to enlist support for their applications through Members of Parliament or other influential persons will disqualify them for appointment. The Selection Board will disregard spontaneous recommendations from persons who are not personally acquainted with the candidate's work, whether at school, at the university, in industry or business, in the Forces, or otherwise.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

HOUSING (a) EQUALISATION ACCOUNT; (b) OVERCROWDING AND MISCELLANEOUS FORMS.

Notice is hereby given under the Rules Publication Act, 1893, that it is proposed by the Minister of Health, after the expiration of at least 40 days from this date, in pursuance of the powers conferred on him by the Housing Acts, 1925 to 1935, to make regulations—

(a) prescribing, in pursuance of Section 46 (1) of the Housing Act, 1935, the sums to be carried to the Housing Equalisation Account and the manner in which such sums shall be credited; and

(b) prescribing (i) the manner in which the floor area of a room is to be ascertained for the purposes of the 1st Schedule to the Housing Act, 1935; (ii) the form of summary of the provisions of Sections 2, 3 and 5 of the Housing Act, 1935, which, under Section 6 (1) of that Act, is required to be inserted in a rent book or similar document; and (iii) certain forms of notice, licence and certificate to be used by local authorities under the Housing Act, 1935, in relation to overcrowding and other matters;

And that on account of urgency the Minister of Health, under Section 2 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, has made, for the purposes aforesaid, regulations entitled—

(a) the Housing Acts (Equalisation Account) Regulations, 1935; and

(b) the Housing Acts (Overcrowding and Miscellaneous Forms) Regulations, 1935,