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Civil Service Commission,  
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The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, viz. :—

REGULATIONS RESPECTING COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS FOR THE ESTABLISHED SITUATIONS OF (1) EX-SOLDIER CLERK, GRADE B, IN THE WAR OFFICE, AND (2) DEPARTMENTAL CLERK (GRADE IV) IN WAR DEPARTMENT OUTSTATION OFFICES.

These Regulations are liable to alteration from time to time.

1. The upper limit of age for these situations is 49, and candidates must be under that age on the first day of the month in which the competition is held.

2. At each Examination the number of candidates to be selected will be such as may from time to time be fixed.

3. ARMY SERVICE.

(a) *Serving Soldiers* serving at home and abroad must, on the 1st January of the year in which the examination is held—

(i) have completed not less than 11 years with the Colours after attaining the age of 18 years, and

(ii) be serving in their last year of service of current engagement.

Serving soldiers declared successful at an examination will, subject to their satisfying the conditions prescribed in these Regulations, be appointed to vacancies as they occur after discharge from Army service, provided that discharge is carried out within 12 months from the date of the examination at which they are successful.

(b) *Ex-Soldiers* must, on the first day of the month in which the examination is held—

(i) have been discharged from the Army after not less than 12 years' service with the Colours after attaining the age of 18 years, or have been invalided out of the Army, and

(ii) have left the Colours not more than two years. This period may be extended to three years in the case of those candidates, otherwise eligible under these Regulations, who since discharge from the Colours have been employed in a temporary clerical capacity in the War Office or War Department Outstation Offices.

(c) All candidates must be in possession of at least a 1st Class Certificate of Education and have an Army Character assessed at not less than "Very Good". Candidates exempted under War Office authority from obtaining a 1st Class Certificate will, if otherwise eligible, be regarded as eligible under this sub-paragraph.

4. Candidates will be required to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners that they are duly qualified in respect of health and character.

5. Every candidate must be a natural-born British subject, and if he has been invalided out of the Army after less than five years' service on full pay in His Majesty's Regular Forces he must also be the child of a person who is or was at the time of death a British subject; provided that exception may be made:—

(a) In the case of candidates serving in a civil situation to which they were admitted with the Certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners.

(b) In the case of natural-born British subjects who served in His Majesty's Armed Forces in the Great War between 4th August, 1914, and 11th November, 1918.

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 naturalization or by any other voluntary and formal act.

The consent of the authorities of the War Office is required before a candidate either of whose parents was of other than British nationality at birth can be appointed.

6. Persons holding situations in the Civil Service must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to attend the examination before the commencement of the competition.

7. The examination will be in the following subjects, viz. :—

English.

Arithmetic.

General Knowledge.

Candidates will be required to obtain such an aggregate of marks in the examination as a whole as to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners.

8. Candidates declared successful at the examination will, so far as vacancies permit, be given the option of electing the appointment either of Ex-Soldier Clerk, Grade B, in the War Office or of Departmental Clerk, Grade IV, in the War Department Outstation Offices.

9. Application for permission to attend an Examination must be made at such times and in such manner as may be fixed by the Civil Service Commissioners.

10. A fee of £1 will be required from every candidate attending an Examination.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that a Competitive Examination will be held under the foregoing Regulations on the 24th August, 1939.

The following is a provisional list of the centres at which the examination may be held:—Belfast, Birmingham, Bristol, Cardiff, Chester, Edinburgh, London, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Nottingham, Plymouth, Portsmouth,