

(b) If naturalised British subjects, they must have resided in His 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 His 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.

2. Education.

No precise educational qualifications are prescribed, but candidates will be expected to have attained the standard of education of persons who have had whole-time systematic education up to the age of at least 17 years.

3. Service.

(i) Candidates must have completed before the first day of the examination a period of compulsory service in H.M. Forces under the National Service Acts; they may not make more than two attempts in all and these must be made not later than the third examination held under these Regulations after the completion of national service. The date officially recorded as the last day of national service is normally the last day of demobilisation or release leave; candidates are not, however, precluded from competing at an examination held during their demobilisation or release leave.

(ii) The Commissioners may at their discretion accept a candidate as eligible under this Regulation if, having completed a period of compulsory service in H.M. Forces under the National Service Acts, he has voluntarily undertaken further whole-time service in H.M. Forces, continuous with his compulsory service, for a limited period, normally not exceeding 18 months. In such a case the date of completion of this further period of whole-time service will be regarded as the date of completion of compulsory service for the purpose of the preceding paragraph of this Regulation.

4. Health and Character.

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

5. Examination.

The examination will consist of:—

(a) A written examination consisting of papers in English and Arithmetic, three General Papers, and a test of General Intelligence.

(b) An interview before a Selection Board, to which only those who obtain a certain minimum number of marks in the written examination will be summoned.

The final order of merit will be determined by the mark awarded by the Selection Board (out of a maximum of 300). This will take into account the candidate's record, his intelligence and personal qualities, his ability to learn languages, and his work in the written examination. In the event of a tie between two or more candidates the Commissioners will decide which to declare successful.

6. 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 Ministry of Education, the Scottish Education Department, the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland) has been notified to the Commissioners.

7. Fee.

A fee of 15s. is payable by all candidates. This must be sent with the application form, and is not returnable in any circumstances.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competition will be held under the above Regulations, the written examination commencing on the 3rd July, 1951.

No person will be admitted to the Competition from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 19th April, 1951, an application on the prescribed form which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

Civil Service Commission.

23rd March, 1951.

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 FROM MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED ON REGULAR ENGAGEMENTS WITH H.M. FORCES FOR GRADE 5 POSTS IN BRANCH B OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE.

1. No candidate may compete more than twice under these or similar Regulations.

2. Age.

Candidates must be under 50 years of age on the 1st August, 1951.

3. Sex and Marriage.

Candidates may be of either sex, except that married women are not eligible. A woman member of Branch B must resign her appointment on marriage.

4. Nationality.

(1) Every candidate must

(a) be a natural-born British subject; and

(b) have been born within the United Kingdom or within one of the self-governing Dominions of parents both of whom were also born within the United Kingdom or within one of the self-governing Dominions.

(2) No departure from this rule will be made without the special permission of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and then only in exceptional cases and in favour of candidates who are British subjects and who 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 His 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 His 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 His 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.

5. Education.

No precise educational qualifications are prescribed, but candidates will be expected to have attained the standard of education of persons who have had whole-time systematic education up to the age of at least 17 years.

6. Service.

(i) All candidates must either

(a) have completed, or on 1st August, 1951, be within one year of completing, a period of not less than three years' continuous full-time service in H.M. Armed Forces of which not less than eighteen months must have been whole-time voluntary service entered into for a fixed period (including in the case of officers a permanent commission); or

(b) 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 (a) and been invalidated before completing that period.

(ii) No candidate will be eligible whose whole-time service ceased more than two years before the 1st August, 1951.

7. Health and Character.

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

8. Examination.

The examination consists of the following:—

(a) A qualifying written examination consisting of papers in English and Arithmetic, a General Paper, and a test of General Intelligence.

(b) For candidates who pass the qualifying examination:—

an interview before the Selection Board.

The final order of merit will be determined by the mark awarded by the Selection Board (out of a maximum of 300). This will take into account the candidate's record, his intelligence and personal qualities, his ability to learn languages and his work in