

deduct from his actual age the period of such service rendered before 1st October, 1953, up to a maximum of two years;

(c) 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.

(ii) Candidates for appointment as Assistant Keeper (First Class) must be at least 30 years of age on 1st October, 1953. The Commissioners have not specified an upper age limit for this post; in general, however, Government Departments require a reasonable period of service from persons newly appointed to the Civil Service, and accordingly the Commissioners reserve the right to give weight to this factor in considering candidates who are over 50 years of age.

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 the time of 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. *Candidates trained as Teachers.* Persons upon whose training for the occupation of teacher 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 Civil Service Commissioners.

5. Qualifications.

(a) Department of Aeronautics and Sailing Ships.

Candidates must have a First or Second Class Honours degree in engineering or aeronautical science and have had about two years' practical experience in aeronautics or industry.

(b) Department of Engineering and Communications.

Candidates must have a First or Second Class Honours degree in electrical engineering and have had about two years' experience in industry.

Knowledge of at least one modern foreign language would be an advantage for either post.

6. Competition.

Those candidates who appear from their application forms to have the best qualifications and experience will be required to attend before a Selection Board which will recommend for appointment the candidates who seem most suitable. The decision of the Civil Service Commissioners will be final.

7. Canvassing.

Any attempt on the part of candidates to enlist support for their applications through Members of Parliament or other influential persons (except as referees to be named by them in their application forms) will disqualify them for appointment. The Selection Board will disregard recommendations from persons who are not personally acquainted with the candidate's work.

8. Health and Character.

The appointment of the selected candidates will be subject to their satisfying the Commissioners as to their eligibility in respect of age, nationality, health and character.

9. Fee.

A successful candidate will be required to pay a fee of £4 before the issue of a Certificate of Qualification for appointment.

Civil Service Commission, 1st December, 1953.

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 THIRD CLASS CLERKS IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NORTHERN IRELAND.

1. Age.

Candidates must be at least 17 and under 30 years of age on a date to be fixed for each competition.

2. Sex and Marriage.

(i) Both men and women may compete under these Regulations, but on any occasion the number of vacancies available for either men or women may be limited.

(ii) 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 widows 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 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.

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. Qualifications.

Candidates must have had a good school education and must either

(a) have obtained the Grammar School Senior Certificate of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland (or an equivalent Certificate in some other public examination) or

(b) have had at least two years' experience

(i) on appropriate legal work as a clerk in a solicitor's office; or

(ii) on appropriate legal work in a Government Department or any other public service; or

(c) be already employed in a clerical capacity on the Staff of the Supreme Court and have their candidature approved by the Head of the Department in which they are serving.

In any particular competition a certain number of the vacancies may be reserved for suitable candidates, under either (a) or (b) and (c).

5. Health and Character.

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

6. Competition.

Candidates who from their applications appear to have the best qualifications will be summoned to an interview in Belfast before a Selection Board consisting of representatives of the Lord Chief Justice and of the Civil Service Commissioners. The Board will consider the candidates' education, experience (where appropriate) and personal qualities, as well as reports from persons who know them, and will recommend to the Commissioners those candidates who seem best fitted for appointment. The