

or

(j) The final certificate of a grouped course in a relevant subject at the City and Guilds of London Institute.

BUT

(k) Candidates who are not in possession of such certificate or equivalent qualifications may be admitted exceptionally by the Commissioners, at their discretion, if evidence of suitable experience on scientific research and development work can be produced; such candidates at present serving in a Government Department must be certified by that Department as being worthy of consideration.

Candidates over 22 (other than established members of the Assistant (Scientific) Class) will generally be expected to have a Pass Degree in an appropriate subject, or a technical qualification, e.g., a Higher National Certificate either in appropriate subjects or with appropriate endorsements.

5. Application.

A candidate may submit an application if he is not yet qualified under Regulation 4 but is sitting for a qualifying examination during 1954. If he is selected for interview and found acceptable he will not be declared successful until it is known from the result of his examination that he satisfies Regulation 4.

A candidate admitted under this concession will be expected to furnish documentary evidence of the result of the examination to the Commissioners as soon as possible.

A candidate may make one, and only one, application under these Regulations.

6. Health and Character.

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

7. 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 Commissioners.

8. Competition.

(i) The Commissioners may at their discretion summon candidates to a preliminary informal interview.

(ii) A certain number of the candidates will be chosen on the basis of the information available, to appear before a Selection Board appointed by the Commissioners.

(iii) The decision of the Commissioners will be final.

9. Assignment.

It will rest with the Commissioners to determine the Department to which each successful candidate shall be assigned. In making the assignments the Commissioners will be guided by the requirements of the public service but the wishes of candidates will be met as far as possible.

10. 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.

11. Fee.

A successful candidate will be required to pay a fee of £2 before the issue of a certificate of qualification for appointment.

Civil Service Commission, 23rd February, 1954.

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 ASSISTANTS (SCIENTIFIC) IN VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

1. Age.

Candidates must be at least 17½ and under 26 years of age on 1st January, 1954. But

(a) a candidate who has served or is serving on a regular (including a regular short-service) engagement in H.M. Forces may deduct the period of such service from his actual age;

(b) for a certain number of vacancies, candidates born on or before 1st January, 1928, who have specialised experience may be admitted. No upper age limit is specified for such candidates; 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.

2. Sex and Marriage.

(i) Both men and women may compete under these Regulations.

(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.

Provided that a candidate will not be eligible for an appointment under the Admiralty, War Office, Air Ministry or Ministry of Supply unless he or she is a natural-born British subject and born within the United Kingdom or in one of the self-governing Dominions of parents also born within the United Kingdom or in one of the self-governing Dominions, except when the circumstances are such as to justify a departure from the general rule, in which case, provided the candidate satisfies the conditions prescribed by the preceding paragraphs, he or she may be admitted to competition or appointment by special permission of the First Lord of the Admiralty, Secretary of State for War, Secretary of State for Air, or Minister of Supply, as the case may be.

4. Educational Qualifications.

Every candidate must, on the date he sends in his application, be in possession of one of the under-mentioned qualifications:—

(a) A School Certificate with credit in mathematics or a science subject obtained by passing an examination conducted by one of the recognised Examining Bodies.

In place of a School Certificate a candidate may produce evidence of having passed the Matriculation Examination of London University or any other examination which in the opinion of the Civil Service Commissioners is of equivalent or higher standard.

or

(b) A General Certificate of Education in four subjects at Ordinary level to include (a) English Language and (b) a scientific or a mathematical subject.

or

(c) The Scottish Leaving Certificate in four subjects on the lower grade which include English and a scientific or mathematical subject.

or

(d) The Senior Certificate of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland showing passes in