

7 (i) (C) of these Regulations. The form of competition by Method I is set out in the Regulations for the concurrent competition for the Administrative Class of the Home Civil Service. That by Method II is described in the following paragraphs of these Regulations. Regulations 6 and 7 apply only to Method II. No candidate may compete more than twice, but if he competes under both Method I and Method II in the same year this will be treated as a single attempt.

METHODS I AND II

2. Age

Candidates must be at least 20½ years and under 24 years of age on the 1st August, 1958; but a candidate who has served or is serving in H.M. Forces may deduct from his actual age the period of such service rendered before the 1st August, 1958.

3. The competition is open to men and to unmarried women and widows. The approval of the Secretary of State is required before a married man takes up appointment.

4. Nationality

A candidate will not be eligible for appointment unless at all times since his birth he has been either a British subject or a citizen of the Irish Republic and was born of parents each of whom is or was at death a British subject or a citizen of the Irish Republic and has or had been one or the other at all times since birth:

Provided that, notwithstanding that the aforesaid conditions are not satisfied, he may, by special permission of the Secretary of State, be admitted to appointment if—

(i) he has at all times since his birth been either a British subject or a citizen of the Irish Republic, and

(ii) his father is or was at death a British subject or a citizen of the Irish Republic and has or had been one or the other at all times from birth, and

(iii) he satisfies the Secretary of State that he is so closely connected with a country or territory within the Commonwealth either by ancestry, upbringing or residence, or by reason of national service, that an exception may properly be made in his favour.

5. Health and Character

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

METHOD II

6. Education

(i) Candidates must have, or obtain in 1958, a University degree with first or second class honours.

(ii) A candidate who has served, or is serving, on a regular (including a regular short-service) engagement in Her Majesty's Forces may compete, though he does not satisfy sub-paragraph (i), if (a) he is in other respects eligible under these Regulations, and (b) he is recommended to the Civil Service Commissioners by the appropriate Service authority.

7. Competition

(i) The competition comprises:—

(A) A written examination comprising two papers in English, two General Papers, and an Intelligence Test, each with a maximum of 100 marks (making 500 marks in all).

(B) A series of tests and interviews at the Civil Service Selection Board.

(C) An oral test in a foreign language approved by the Commissioners, but the Commissioners may dispense with this in the case of a candidate who satisfies them that he possesses adequate ability to speak a modern foreign language.

(D) An interview before the Final Selection Board.

(ii) Candidates who reach a qualifying standard in the written examination under (i) (A) will be invited to the Civil Service Selection Board. Of those who fail narrowly to reach this standard, the Commissioners may select for the Civil Service Selection Board a number whose records and reports give evidence of strong claims to further consideration.

(iii) The Commissioners will subsequently select, in the light of the candidates' performance at the Civil Service Selection Board and of their records, those who will be admitted to interview by the Final Selection Board.

(iv) Each candidate's place in the final order of merit will be determined by the mark awarded by the Final Selection Board out of a maximum of 300. This mark will take into account his intelligence, personal qualities, and language ability as shown both

by his record and in his performance throughout the competition.

(v) The Commissioners may exempt from the written examination under (i) (A) a candidate who has previously obtained good marks for it, or for the compulsory papers in the Method I examination, and in the same competition has also been awarded a mark of more than 200 by the Final Board. The previous competition must have been a recent open competition for the Senior Branch of the Foreign Service or the Administrative Class.

(vi) The Commissioners may exempt from (i) (B) a candidate who has appeared at the Civil Service Selection Board before, and applies for such exemption.

METHODS I AND II

8. Vacancies

The number of vacancies to be filled from the competition as a whole, and the number to be filled by Method I and Method II respectively, will be decided by the Commissioners.

9. Candidates trained as Teachers

Candidates who have been trained as teachers, elsewhere than in England and Wales, and upon whose training public money has been spent, cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate education authority (e.g., the Scottish Education Department, the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland) has been notified to the Commissioners.

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.

The total fee payable by all candidates is £4 for either Method separately and £6 for both Methods. Of this £2 must be paid on application.

12. The Commissioners' decision will be final in all matters concerning this competition.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competition will be held under the above Regulations, the written examination under Method II commencing on 3rd January, 1958, and that under Method I on 1st July, 1958.

Applications on the prescribed form for admission to the Competition should be received by the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission on or before 30th November, 1957, for candidates competing under Method II, or 28th February, 1958, for candidates competing under Method I. Application forms may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND CIVIL AVIATION.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation hereby gives notice that he has made an Order under section 49 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, entitled "The Stopping up of Highways (County of Northampton) (No. 10) Order, 1957," authorising the stopping up of a length of the footpath leading from the Ashton—Stoke Bruerne Road to the Northampton—Old Stratford Road at Ashton, Northants, and requiring the provision of a new footpath.

Copies of the Order may be obtained from H.M. Stationery Office, York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 2, Edmund Street, Birmingham 3, or through any bookseller, price 3d. Copies may be inspected in Room 255, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, 21-37, Hereford Road, London, W.2 (Ref. HL 23/28/026), and at the Northampton R.D.C. Offices, Cheyne Walk, Northampton, free of charge at all reasonable hours.

Any person aggrieved by the Order and desiring to question the validity thereof, or of any provision contained therein, on the ground that it is not within the powers of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, or that any requirement of that Act or of any regulation made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Order, may, within 6 weeks of the 8th October, 1957, apply to the High Court for the suspension or quashing of the Order or of any provision contained therein.

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