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BUREAU OF EXAMINATIONS

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NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

PROMOTION TO HIGHWAYS AND SEWERS INSPECTOR

Exam No. 1560

AMENDED NOTICE - June 9, 2021

WHEN TO APPLY: From: June 4, 2021

APPLICATION FEE: \$68.00

To: June 24, 2021

If you choose to pay the application fee with a credit/debit/gift card, you will be charged a service fee of 2.00% of the payment amount. This service fee is nonrefundable.

The Notice of Examination is amended to update THE TEST section.

**YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR READING THIS ENTIRE NOTICE
BEFORE YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION.**

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES:

Highways and Sewers Inspectors, under general supervision, perform technical work in the inspection of construction, repair and maintenance of roads, sewers and appurtenances, pavements and sidewalks. They inspect the grading, paving and repaving of streets; inspect the maintenance, repair and construction of sewers and appurtenances, house sewer connections, retaining walls, streets and street openings; inspect the construction and repair of water, sewer and utility manholes and street sidewalks; inspect private property; in testing laboratories for asphalt or concrete plants, check all materials used as to quality and grade; witnesses the making of concrete and other test cylinders; checks the size of street openings and the satisfactory restoration of pavement or sidewalk; investigate complaints and reports on findings; maintain records and prepares comprehensive reports; keep daily records of the number and types of skilled and unskilled labor employed and mechanical equipment and material used; drive a passenger car or light truck to and from work assignments; may supervise and train Apprentice Inspectors (Highways and Sewers); and may be required to issue a summons and appear as a witness in court. All Highways and Sewers Inspectors perform related work.

Special Working Conditions:

Highways and Sewers Inspectors may be required to work various shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

Some of the physical activities performed by Highways and Sewers Inspectors and environmental conditions experienced are: walking to and from inspection sites and during inspections; climbing and descending ladders or stairs to get to areas to be inspected; working on exposed heights; standing for extended periods of time; distinguishing colors; working in confined areas; wearing hard hats and other protective clothing in construction areas; bending and stooping during inspections; climbing over and around various objects; working in areas that may be hot, damp, dark, dusty, smoky or acid; working outdoors in all kinds of weather.

(This is a brief description of what you might do in this position and does not include all the duties of this position.)

THE SALARY:

The current minimum salary is \$55,000 per annum. This rate is subject to change.

ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE EXAMINATION:

This examination is open to each employee of an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of the Department of Citywide Administrative Services who **on the last day of the application period:**

1. is employed in the non-competitive title of Apprentice Inspector (Highways and Sewers); and
2. is not otherwise ineligible.

If you do not know if you are eligible, check with **your agency's personnel office**. You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the eligibility requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If you are marked "Not Eligible," your application fee will not be refunded.

ELIGIBILITY TO BE PROMOTED:

In order to be eligible for promotion, you must be employed in the eligible title as indicated in the above "Eligibility To Take Examination" section at the time of promotion.

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REQUIREMENT(S) TO BE PROMOTED:

1. **Work Experience:** Satisfactory completion of the New York City Department of Transportation apprenticeship program for the Apprentice Inspector (Highways and Sewers).
2. **Driver License Requirement:** By the time you are promoted to this position, you must have a motor vehicle driver's license valid in the State of New York. If you have moving violations, license suspension(s) or an accident record, you may be disqualified. This license must be maintained for the duration of your employment.

HOW TO APPLY:

If you believe you are eligible to take this examination, apply using the Online Application System (OASys) at www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs. Follow the onscreen application instructions for electronically submitting your application and payment and completing any required information. A unique and valid email address is required to apply online. Several internet service providers, including but not limited to Google, Yahoo!, AOL, Outlook.com, and Mail.com offer free email addresses. **All new OASys accounts require verification before a candidate can apply to ensure the accuracy of candidate information. Verification is instantaneous for most accounts and you will receive a confirmation email with instructions to activate your account. For any account creation issues, you will receive onscreen prompts to contact DCAS. This review may require up to two (2) business days to be reviewed and resolved. Please keep this information and the application period deadline in mind when creating your account.**

The following methods of payment are acceptable: major credit card, bank card associated with a bank account, or a prepaid debit card with a credit card logo which you may purchase online or at various retail outlets. If you are receiving or participating in certain forms of public assistance/benefits/programs, or are a veteran, you may qualify to have the application fee waived. For more information on eligibility for a fee waiver and documentation requirements visit the Fee Waiver FAQ on the Online Application System at: <https://a856-exams.nyc.gov/OASysWeb/Home/Faq>. **Effective January 2020, the Online Application System is no longer supported on Windows 7 or earlier versions of Windows operating systems.**

You may come to a DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Center to apply for this examination online. However, you must schedule a customer service appointment prior to your visit. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, DCAS no longer permits walk-ins at DCAS sites.

Manhattan

2 Lafayette Street
17th Floor
New York, NY 10007

Brooklyn

210 Joralemon Street
4th Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Queens

118-35 Queens Boulevard
5th Floor
Forest Hills, NY 11375

Staten Island

135 Canal Street
3rd Floor
Staten Island, NY 10304

Bronx

1932 Arthur Avenue
2nd Floor
Bronx, NY 10457

To schedule a customer service appointment through OASys for an exam-related or eligible list-related inquiry, find **Exam #1889**, click **Apply**, and follow the instructions provided to reserve your appointment location, date, and time.

Special Circumstances Guide: This guide is located on the DCAS website at https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/pdf_c_special_circumstances_guide.pdf and available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers. This guide gives important information about requesting an alternate test date because of religious observance or a special test accommodation for disability, claiming Veterans' or Legacy credit, and notifying DCAS of a change in your mailing address. Follow all instructions on the Special Circumstances Guide that pertain to you when you complete your "Application for Examination."

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

1. **Application for Examination:** Follow the online instructions, including those relating to the payment of fee and, if applicable, those found in the Special Circumstances Guide.
2. **Education and Experience Exam:** Fill out all the required sections displayed onscreen (if applicable). You will have until midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (June 24, 2021) to clearly specify in detail all of your relevant education and experience on your Education and Experience Exam and submit it in the Online Application System (OASys). If you do not Final Submit your Education and Experience Exam in OASys by midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (June 24, 2021), your examination will be considered incomplete, you will not be entitled to the appeals process, you will not receive a score, you will not be invited to subsequent portions of this examination (if applicable), and your application fee will not be refunded.

THE TEST:

Your score will be determined by an Education and Experience Exam. You will receive a score of 70 points for meeting the eligibility requirements listed above. After these requirements are met, you will receive additional credit up to a maximum of 100 points on the following basis:

If you have satisfactory full-time experience in the title of Apprentice Inspector (Highways and Sewers) working in the construction of roads, sewers, appurtenances, pavements and/or sidewalks for the City of New York for:

You will receive up to:

At least 1 year but less than 2 years	7 points
At least 2 years but less than 3 years	9 points
At least 3 years but less than 4 years	11 points
At least 4 years but less than 5 years	13 points
5 or more years	15 points

If you have satisfactory full-time experience in the construction of roads, sewers, appurtenances, pavements and/or sidewalks for an employer other than the City of New York for:

You will receive up to:

At least 1 year but less than 2 years	5 points
At least 2 years but less than 3 years	7 points
At least 3 years but less than 4 years	9 points
At least 4 years but less than 5 years	11 points
5 or more years	13 points

If you have satisfactory full-time experience in the title of Apprentice Inspector (Highways and Sewers) working in the inspection of projects involving construction and/or repair of roads, sewers, appurtenances, pavements and/or sidewalks for the City of New York for:

You will receive up to:

At least 1 year but less than 2 years	14 points
At least 2 years but less than 3 years	18 points
At least 3 years but less than 4 years	22 points
At least 4 years but less than 5 years	26 points
5 or more years	30 points

If you have satisfactory full-time experience in the inspection of projects involving construction and/or repair of roads, sewers, appurtenances, pavements and/or sidewalks for an employer other than the City of New York for:

You will receive up to:

At least 1 year but less than 2 years	12 points
At least 2 years but less than 3 years	16 points
At least 3 years but less than 4 years	20 points
At least 4 years but less than 5 years	24 points
5 or more years	28 points

For possession of the following valid certification:

You will receive up to:

OSHA Safety Certificate	5 points
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For possession of the following valid certification:

You will receive up to:

Certified Construction Manager (CCM)	5 points
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During the Education and Experience Exam (EEE), you may answer questions about your experience. If your experience was on a part-time basis working less than 35 hours per week, you will need to convert your part-time experience to full-time experience using the formula below. Once you have determined your full-time experience equivalent, use this amount to answer questions about your experience.

$$(\text{number of hours worked per week}/35) \times (\text{number of months worked})$$

For example, if you worked at a job for 21 hours per week for 12 months, you would make the following calculation: $21/35 \times 12 = 7.2$ months.

You will receive a maximum of one year of experience credit for each year you worked.

Each year of experience will be credited under only one category which will be the highest appropriate category.

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You must clearly specify in detail all of your relevant education and experience on your Education and Experience Exam and submit it by the end of the Application Period. If you do not Final Submit your Education and Experience Exam in OASys by midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (June 24, 2021), your examination will be considered incomplete, you will not be entitled to the appeals process, you will not receive a score, you will not be invited to subsequent portions of this examination (if applicable), and your application fee will not be refunded.

Experience and certificates must be obtained by the last day of the Application Period (June 24, 2021).

CHANGE OF MAILING ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, AND/OR TELEPHONE NUMBER:

It is critical that you promptly notify DCAS of any change to your mailing address, email address and/or phone number. If we do not have your correct mailing address, email address and/or phone number, you will not receive information about your exam(s), consideration for appointment and/or important information that may require a response by a specified deadline. If you need to update your Mailing Address, Email Address, and/or Telephone Number, read below:

- City Employees - update this information in NYCAPS Employee Self-Service (ESS) at www.nyc.gov/ess
- All Others - update this information on your Profile page in the Online Application System (OASys) by logging into your OASys account and navigating to your Dashboard, then your Profile tab at www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs
- Submit a written request by email at OASys@dcas.nyc.gov, by fax (646) 500-7199, or by regular mail: DCAS, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Your written request must include your full name, social security number, exam title(s), exam number(s), previous mailing and/or email address, and your new mailing and/or email address.

CHANGE OF NAME AND/OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:

Use the Data Correction Form and follow all instructions for changing your name and/or social security number with DCAS. The following link will provide you with the DCAS Data Correction Form: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/dp148a.pdf>.

THE TEST RESULTS:

If you pass the Education and Experience Exam and are marked eligible, your name will be placed in final score order on an eligible list, you will be given a list number and you will be notified by mail of your test results. The eligible list determines the order by which candidates will be considered for promotion. If you meet all requirements and conditions, you will be considered for promotion if your name is reached on the eligible list. Once a list has been established, it will typically remain active for four years. To learn more about the civil service system go to: <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dcas/employment/civil-service-system.page>.

If you believe that your test part was rated incorrectly, you may submit an appeal of your score to DCAS, Committee on Manifest Errors, through the Online Application System (OASys). Your appeal must give specific reasons why your score should be higher. Your appeal may result in a higher or lower rating.

To access the appeal portal of OASys, please log into your OASys account at www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs and use the following steps:

1. Navigate to the Dashboard for the Appeals tab.
2. Click the NEW APPEAL button to create and submit your appeal.
3. Select the exam from the Exam drop-down list, and
4. Select the exam part from the Exam Part drop-down list.
5. Select the reason for your appeal from the Appeal Reason drop-down list (if applicable).
6. Enter the details of your appeal by providing specific reasons why your score should be higher.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Selective Certification For Special Patrolman Requirement (SPP): If you meet the following qualifications, you may be considered for promotion to positions requiring Special Patrolman status (a status given by the New York City Police Department pursuant to Title 38, Chapter 13 of the Rules of the City of New York) through a process called Selective Certification:

- must be twenty-one years of age or older,
- a citizen of the United States,
- a resident of New York City,
- if discharged from military service, the discharge must not have been dishonorable,
- be of good moral character, and
- have no record of convictions for any felony or serious offense as enumerated in §265.00 (17) of the New York State Penal Law. An applicant with any conviction who has a Certificate of Good Conduct providing relief from that conviction may be eligible for appointment. An applicant with a misdemeanor conviction or violation for a serious offense enumerated in Penal Law §265.00 (17), who has a Certificate of Relief from Disabilities providing relief from that conviction, may also be eligible for appointment.

All candidates who are promoted through Selective Certification will undergo a background check conducted by the New York City Police Department to verify the above qualifications, including character. Any individual promoted through Selective Certification who fails to successfully pass this background check will be terminated from the position. Additionally, if you are promoted through Selective Certification, you must maintain your Special Patrolman status (including your New York City residency) for the duration of employment in that position.

If you qualify for Selective Certification, you may be given preferred consideration for positions requiring this experience. If you wish to apply for this Selective Certification, follow the onscreen instructions when completing your Education and Experience Exam to indicate your interest in such Selective Certification and Final Submit it in the Online Application System (OASys). **Your qualifications will be checked by the promoting agency at the time of promotion.**

The above Selective Certification requirements may be met at any time during the duration of the list. If you meet this requirement at some future date, please submit a request by mail to: DCAS Bureau of Examinations - Exam Development Group, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Please include the examination title and number, your social security number, and the Selective Certification you are requesting on your correspondence.

Investigation:

The position is subject to investigation before promotion. At the time of investigation, you will be required to pay an \$88.25 fee for fingerprint screening. At the time of investigation and at the time of promotion, you must present originals or certified copies of all required documents and proof, including but not limited to proof of date and place of birth by transcript of record from a Bureau of Vital Statistics or other satisfactory evidence, naturalization papers if necessary, proof of any military service, and proof of meeting educational requirements, if applicable. You may be disqualified if your statements are found to be false, exaggerated, or misleading or if you fail to provide required documents. Investigation must be completed prior to promotion.

Application Receipt:

You will be emailed a receipt immediately after you have applied for the examination. If you do not receive this receipt, check "Junk", "Trash", or "Spam" folders for the primary email linked to your Online Application System (OASys) account. If you are unable to locate the email, you can view a summary of the notification email to you on your OASys Dashboard, then Notifications. If you are still unable to find the email, please email DCAS via the Contact feature available in OASys with a description of the issue and include the exam number and your profile number located on your Profile page. While on your Profile page, check that the email addresses you provided are correct and/or updated.

PENALTY FOR MISREPRESENTATION:

Any intentional misrepresentation on the application or examination may result in disqualification, even after promotion, and may result in criminal prosecution.

The General Examination Regulations of the Department of Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS) apply to this examination and are part of this Notice of Examination. They are posted at nyc.gov/dcas.

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**For information about other exams, and your exam or list status, call 212-669-1357.
Internet: nyc.gov/dcas**