



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF CITYWIDE
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
APPLICATION UNIT
1 CENTRE STREET, 14TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10007

REQUIRED INFORMATION

APPLICATION
EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE
TEST
FOREIGN EDUCATION
EVALUATION GUIDE
(IF APPLICABLE)

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**NOTICE
OF
EXAMINATION**

**Plumber (HHC)
Exam No. 4058
(For The New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation Only)**

WHEN TO APPLY: From: March 5, 2014
To: March 25, 2014

APPLICATION FEE: \$91.00

If you choose to pay the application fee with a credit/debit/gift card, you will be charged a fee of 2.49% of the payment amount. This fee is nonrefundable.

THE TEST DATE: The multiple-choice test is expected to begin on **Wednesday, June 25, 2014.**

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR READING THIS NOTICE IN ITS ENTIRETY BEFORE YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION.

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES: Plumbers (HHC), under supervision, perform work relating to the installation, alteration, maintenance, and repair of piping of gas, potable water, plumbing and drainage systems. They install, maintain and repair piping of all kinds for water, gas, storm, waste, soil and vent systems; set, maintain and repair plumbing fixtures, equipment and appurtenances; when necessary, determine and requisition job materials while work is in progress; supervise and are responsible for the work of Plumber's Helpers; in the temporary absence of the supervisor, may perform the duties of that position; and operate a motor vehicle. All Plumbers (HHC) and perform related work.

When assigned as a licensed plumber, Plumbers (HHC) obtain written building permits for plumbing work to be performed; conduct and/or witness tests on plumbing and gas piping systems; prepare applications, reports, notices and other documents; and prepare sketches, drawings and layouts which may be required.

Some of the physical activities performed by Plumbers (HHC) and environmental conditions experienced are: communicating orally in a noisy environment; working in extreme temperature conditions (hot or cold); climbing stairs, ladders, scaffolds and over equipment; walking over wet and slippery surfaces; moving heavy valves, piping and fixtures; carrying heavy objects such as tool boxes, pipe, and bags of pipe fittings; working in close spaces; using torches; and working in the vicinity of biohazards.

Special Working Conditions: Plumbers (HHC) may be required to work shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

(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 \$46.01 per hour for a 35-hour week. This rate is subject to change.

HOW TO APPLY: If you believe you meet the requirements in the "How to Qualify" section, submit an application on 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 valid email address is required to file online. Several internet service providers, including but not limited to Google, Yahoo!, Hotmail, and AOL, offer free email addresses. 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. You may come to the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers to file for this examination online and submit a money order payable to DCAS (Exams).

The centers will be open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM:

Manhattan
2 Lafayette Street
17th Floor
New York, NY 10007

Brooklyn
210 Joralemon Street
4th Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11201

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Special Circumstances Guide: This guide is located on the DCAS website at www.nyc.gov/html/dcas/downloads/pdf/misc/exam_special_circumstances.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."

HOW TO QUALIFY: You may be given the multiple-choice test before we verify your qualifications. You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the qualification requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If you are marked "Not Qualified," your application fee will not be refunded and you will not receive a score.

Education and Experience Requirements:

- (1) Five years of full-time satisfactory experience as a plumber; **or**
- (2) Not less than three years of full-time satisfactory experience described in "1" above **plus** sufficient full-time satisfactory experience as a plumber's helper or apprentice, or plumbing training of a relevant nature acquired in an approved trade school, technical school or vocational high school, to make up the equivalent of five years of acceptable plumber experience.

Each year of helper or apprentice experience, or approved plumbing training is equivalent to six months of satisfactory plumber experience, up to a maximum of two years of satisfactory experience.

The trade school, technical school or vocational high school must be approved by a State's Department of Education or a recognized accrediting organization.

The education requirement must be met by June 30, 2014. The experience requirement must be met by the last day of the Application Period.

If you were educated outside the United States, you must have your foreign education evaluated to determine its equivalence to education obtained in the United States. This is required only if you need credit for your foreign education in this examination.

You must clearly specify in detail all of your relevant education and experience on your Education and Experience Test and submit it by the end of the application period. You will not receive credit for education which you obtain after June 30, 2014 or experience which you obtain after the end of the application period, **nor will you be permitted to submit new or additional information about your education and experience once the application period has ended.**

Driver License Requirement: At the time of appointment to this position, you must have a motor vehicle driver license valid in the State of New York. If you have a moving violation, license suspension or an accident record, you may be disqualified. This license must be maintained for the duration of your employment.

Medical and Drug Screening Requirement: In accordance with applicable Federal, state and local laws and regulations, the NYC Health and Hospitals Corporation has established medical standards for this position. Accordingly, all eligibles will be required to undergo and pass a medical examination prior to the date of appointment to ensure that those medical standards have been met. Additionally, eligibles will be subject to a drug screening test prior to the date of appointment.

Residency: City residency is not required for this position.

English Requirement: You must be able to understand and be understood in English.

Proof of Identity: Under the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, you must be able to prove your identity and your right to obtain employment in the United States prior to employment with the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation.

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 Test:** Fill out **Sections A.1 (if applicable), A.2 (if applicable), A.3 (if applicable), B, and C (if applicable)**. This test must be filled out completely and in detail for you to receive your proper rating. Follow the online instructions.
3. **Foreign Education Evaluation Guide (Required only if you need credit for your foreign education to meet the education and experience requirements):** If you were educated outside the United States, you must have your foreign education evaluated to determine its equivalence to education obtained in the United States. The services that are approved to make this evaluation are listed on the Foreign Education Evaluation Guide located on the DCAS website at www.nyc.gov/html/dcas/downloads/pdf/misc/foreigneducation.pdf. When you contact the evaluation service, ask for a "**document-by-document**" (**general**) evaluation of your foreign education. You must have one of these services submit its evaluation of your foreign education directly to the Department of Citywide Administrative Services no later than eight weeks from the last date for applying for this examination.

ADMISSION NOTICE: You should receive an Admission Notice in the mail about 10 days before the date of the test. If you do not receive an Admission Notice at least 4 days before the test date, you must go to the Exam Support Group, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, NY, NY 10007 to obtain a duplicate notice.

THE TEST: The multiple-choice test may be given at a computer terminal or in paper and pencil format. You will be informed of the format on your Admission Notice. Your score on this test will be used to determine your place on an eligible list. You must achieve a score of at least 70% to pass the test.

The multiple-choice test is designed to assess the extent to which candidates have certain knowledge and abilities determined to be important to the performance of the tasks of a Plumber (HHC). Task categories to be tested are as follows:

Repairs and Installation.
Tools and Materials.
Administrative Duties.

The multiple-choice test may include questions on the knowledge of plumbing techniques, methodology, materials, tools, equipment, and practices; pertinent parts of the Plumbing Section of the NYC Building Code and other related codes including interpreting of plans and specifications; safe work practices; job-related math; standards of proper employee ethical conduct; and other related areas.

The test may also include questions requiring the use of any of the following abilities:

Analytical Thinking: Analyzing information and using logic to address specific work-related issues and problems; involves the identification of problems, not implementation of solutions. Example: A Plumber (HHC) analyzes the whereabouts and solutions of water leaks.

Planning & Organizing: Establishing a method of execution to accomplish a specific goal over an extended period of time; determining appropriate assignments and allocation of resources. Example: A Plumber (HHC) plans, organizes, and prioritizes his work orders.

Written Comprehension: Understanding English words and sentences. Example: A Plumber (HHC) reads and understands work orders pertaining to the NYC Building Code.

Written Expression: Using English words or sentences in writing so that others will understand. Example: A Plumber (HHC) writes reports free of grammatical errors.

Warning: You are not permitted to enter the test site with cellular phones, beepers, pagers, cameras, portable media players, or other electronic devices. Calculators are permitted; however, they must be hand-held, battery or solar powered, numeric only. Calculators with functions **other than** addition, subtraction, multiplication and division **are prohibited**. Electronic devices with an alphabetic keyboard or with word processing or data recording capabilities such as planners, organizers, etc. are prohibited. If you use any of these devices in the building at any time before, during or after the test, you may not receive your test results, your test score may be nullified, and your application fee will not be refunded.

Required Identification: You are required to bring one (1) form of valid (non-expired) signature and photo bearing identification to the test site. The name that was used to apply for the exam must match the first and last name on the photo ID. A list of acceptable identification documents is provided below. **If you do not have an acceptable ID, you may be denied testing.** Acceptable forms of identification (bring one) are as follows: State issued driver's license, State issued identification card, US Government issued Passport, US Government issued Military Identification Card, US Government issued Alien Registration Card, Employer ID with photo, or Student ID with photo.

Leaving: You must leave the test site once you finish the test. If you leave the test site after being fingerprinted but before finishing the test, you will not be permitted to re-enter. If you disregard this instruction and re-enter the test site, you may not receive your test results, your test score may be nullified, and your application fee will not be refunded.

THE TEST RESULTS: If you meet the education and experience requirements and pass the multiple-choice test, your name will be placed in final score order on an HHC eligible list and you will be given a list number. You will be notified by mail of your test results. If you meet all requirements and conditions, you will be considered for appointment when your name is reached on the eligible list.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Selective Certification for Master Plumber License Or Certificate Of Competence: If you possess a Master Plumber license issued by the New York City Department of Buildings or a Certificate of Competence in Plumbing issued by the New York City Department of Buildings, you may be considered for appointment to positions requiring this license or the certification through a process called Selective Certification. If you qualify for Selective Certification, you may be given preferred consideration for positions requiring this license or certification. Follow the instructions given in the test booklet on the day of the test to indicate your interest in such Selective Certification. This requirement may be met at any time during the duration of the list. If you meet the Selective Certification requirement at some future date, please submit documentation by mail to: DCAS Bureau of Examinations TEEG, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Please include the examination title and number and your social security number in your correspondence. **If you are appointed through Selective Certification, you must maintain your Master Plumber license or Certificate of Competence for the duration of your employment.**

Reemployment of public service retirees: HHC has promulgated rules regarding the reemployment of persons who have already retired from public service. Any such retired person is advised to consult with HHC Human Resources Management, Office of Certification and Examinations at (212) 788-3568 to determine whether he or she would be eligible for appointment from an eligible list established for this examination.

List Termination: The eligible list resulting from this examination will be terminated one year from the date it is established, unless extended by the NYC Health and Hospitals Corporation.

Promotion Test: A promotion examination, Exam No. 4542, for this title is being held for eligible Health and Hospitals Corporation employees. The names appearing on the promotion list will be considered first in filling vacancies.

This examination is for positions with Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC) only. If you would like to apply for Plumber in City agencies you must submit a separate application and fee for Exam. No. 4056 from March 5, 2014 through March 25, 2014.

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS:

Make-up Test: You may apply for a make-up test if you cannot take the test on the regular test date for any of the following reasons:

- (1) compulsory attendance before a public body;
- (2) on-the-job injury or illness caused by municipal employment where you are an officer or employee of the City;
- (3) absence from the test within one week after the death of a spouse, domestic partner, parent, sibling, child or child of a domestic partner where you are an officer or employee of the City;
- (4) absence due to ordered military duty; or
- (5) a clear error for which the Department of Citywide Administrative Services or the examining agency is responsible.

To request a make-up test, contact the Exam Support Group in person or by mail at 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007, as soon as possible and provide documentation of the special circumstances that caused you to miss your exam.

PENALTY FOR MISREPRESENTATION: Any intentional misrepresentation on the application or examination may result in disqualification, even after appointment, and may result in criminal prosecution.

The General Examination Regulations of the Department of Citywide Administrative Services apply to this examination and are part of this Notice of Examination. They are posted and copies are available at nyc.gov/dcas and at the DCAS Computer-based Testing and Applications Centers.

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