



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
 DEPARTMENT OF CITYWIDE
 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
 APPLICATION UNIT
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 NEW YORK, NY 10007

REQUIRED INFORMATION
APPLICATION

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NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

**PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE INSPECTOR (CONSTRUCTION)
 Exam No. 6528
 AMENDED NOTICE - September 14, 2016**

WHEN TO APPLY: From: May 4, 2016
 To: May 24, 2016

APPLICATION FEE: \$68.00

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 be held on Saturday, January 14, 2017.

The Notice of Examination is amended to change the date of the multiple-choice test from September 17, 2016 to January 14, 2017, and to add the Written Test Description.

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

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES: Associate Inspectors (Construction) under direction, perform highly technical or supervisory work in the inspection of construction, repairs or alterations of structures, elevators and mechanical installations for conformity with the NYC Construction Codes, Department rules, other pertinent laws and rules, and approved plans and specifications; review and recommend approval of change orders; and may operate a motor vehicle in the performance of assigned duties. All Associate Inspectors (Construction) perform related work.

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

Some of the physical activities performed by Associate Inspectors (Construction) and environmental conditions experienced are: walking to and from inspection sites and during the course of inspections, climbing and descending ladders and stairs to get to areas to be inspected; standing on scaffolds to inspect work; standing for extended periods of time; working in confined areas; wearing hard hats; bending and stooping during inspections; climbing over and around various objects; walking in areas that may be damp, dark, dusty, smoky or acrid; and 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 \$55,139 per annum. This rate is subject to change. There are two assignment levels within this class of positions. Promotions will generally be made to Assignment Level I. After promotion, employees may be assigned to the higher assignment level at the discretion of the agency.

HOW TO APPLY: If you believe you are eligible to take this examination, 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 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 submit an application to ensure the accuracy of candidate information. Verification is instantaneous for most accounts, but some accounts may require up to 24 hours to be reviewed by a staff member and resolved. Email notification will be sent to those creating accounts that require additional documentation before they can be 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-eeexams.nyc.gov/OLEE/oasys/FAQFeeWaiver.aspx>.

READ CAREFULLY AND SAVE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

You may come to the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers to apply for this examination online and submit a money order payable to DCAS (Exams) or to submit documentation for a fee waiver. 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

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

ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE EXAMINATION: This examination is open to each employee of an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services who **on the date of the multiple-choice test:**

- (1) holds a permanent (not provisional) competitive appointment or appears on a Preferred List (see Note, below) for the title of Inspector (Construction); and
- (2) is not otherwise ineligible.

(Note: A "Preferred List" is a civil service list which is only for certain former permanent incumbents of the eligible title who have rehiring rights.)

This examination is also open to employees who were appointed to an eligible title pursuant to New York State Civil Service Law, section 55-a, and who meet all other eligibility requirements.

If you do not know if you are eligible, check with **your agency's personnel office**. You may be given the test before we verify your eligibility. You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the eligibility requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If it is determined prior to the test date that you are not eligible to participate in this examination, you will not receive an Admission Notice to take the multiple-choice test, you will not be permitted into the test site, and your application fee will not be refunded. If it is determined after the test date that you are not eligible to participate in this examination, your application fee will not be refunded and you will not receive a score.

REQUIREMENT TO BE PROMOTED:

Driver License Requirement: By the time you are promoted to this position, you must have a motor vehicle driver 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.

ELIGIBILITY TO BE PROMOTED: In order to be eligible for promotion, you must have completed your probationary period in the eligible title as indicated in the above "Eligibility To Take Examination" section, and you must be permanently employed in the eligible title or your name must appear on a Preferred List for the eligible title at the time of promotion. Additionally, you must have served permanently in the eligible title for at least one year.

THE TEST: The multiple-choice test may be given at a computer terminal or in a paper and pencil format. You will be informed of the format on your Admission Notice. A score of at least 70% is required to pass the multiple-choice test. Your score on the multiple-choice test will determine 85% of your final score. Your seniority will determine the remaining 15%. You must pass the multiple-choice test to have your seniority credited. Your seniority score will be 70 plus 1/2 point for each three months of completed, permanent, continuous service with an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services in competitive class titles. Your service will be credited through the date of the test, up to a maximum of 15 years. Time served prior to a break in service of more than one year will not be credited.

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 an Associate Inspector (Construction). Task categories to be tested are as follows: training, supervising and managing personnel; inspection responsibilities; technical expertise; and administrative duties.

The test may include questions on methods, techniques and materials used in the construction trade; safe work practices and procedures applicable to the construction trade; applicable New York City Building Codes and Zoning Resolutions, Local Laws, Rules of the City, and policies and procedures of the Department of Buildings; reading and interpreting blueprints, specifications, and agency directives; standards of proper employee ethical conduct, including the provisions of Mayor's Executive Order No. 16 of 1978 as amended; and other related areas.

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

Judgment & Decision-Making: Reviewing information to develop and evaluate the relative costs and benefits of potential solutions to problems and choosing the most appropriate one; implementing a course of action determined by thinking analytically, typically applied over a short time frame. Example: An Associate Inspector (Construction) might use this ability when determining the priority of assignments.

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: An Associate Inspector (Construction) might use this ability when determining work schedules.

Management of Personnel Resources: Motivating, developing and directing people as they work, identifying the best people for the job; managing employees needed to accomplish tasks. Example: An Associate Inspector (Construction) might use this ability when training or directing Inspectors.

Written Comprehension: Understanding written sentences and paragraphs. Example: An Associate Inspector (Construction) might use this ability when reading reports.

Written Expression: Appropriately communicating information and ideas in written words and sentences so intended audience will understand. Example: An Associate Inspector (Construction) might use this ability when writing reports.

Attention to Detail: Being careful about detail and thorough in completing work tasks. Example: An Associate Inspector (Construction) might use this ability when planning work routes for Inspectors in the field.

Updating & Using Relevant Knowledge: Keeping up-to-date technically and applying new knowledge to the job. Example: An Associate Inspector (Construction) might use this ability when informing staff of changes in departmental policies.

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.

You may not have any other person, including children, present with you while you are being processed for or taking the test, and no one may wait for you inside of the test site while you are taking the test.

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.

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 Administration, Customer and Exam Support, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, Manhattan, to obtain a duplicate notice. Test site assignments will take your address into consideration, but proximity cannot be guaranteed.

THE TEST RESULTS: If you pass the multiple-choice test and are marked eligible, your name will be placed in final score order on an 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 promotion when your name is reached on the eligible list.

CHANGE OF MAILING AND/OR EMAIL ADDRESS: It is critical that you promptly notify DCAS of any change to your mailing address and/or email address. You may miss important information about your exam(s) or consideration for promotion, including important information that may require a response by a specified deadline, if we do not have your correct mailing and/or email address. Change of mailing and/or email address requests submitted to any place other than DCAS, such as your Agency or to the United States Postal Service will NOT update your records with DCAS. To update your mailing and/or email address with DCAS, you must submit a change request by mail or in person. Your request must include your full name, social security number, exam title(s), exam number(s), old mailing and/or email address, and your new mailing and/or email address. Your request can be mailed to DCAS Records Room, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007 or brought in person to the same address Monday through Friday from 9AM to 5PM.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Selective Certification for Special Patrolman: If you meet the following qualifications, you may request preferred consideration 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:

- Be twenty-one years of age or older,
- Be a citizen of the United States,
- Be a resident of New York City,
- Have no record of convictions for any felony or for any serious offence against public safety (as defined in the New York State Penal Law),
- If discharged from military service, the discharge must not have been dishonorable, **and**
- Be of good moral character.

All candidates who are promoted through Selective Certification for Special Patrolman 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 pass this background check will be terminated from the position. **Additionally, if you are promoted through the Special Patrolman Selective Certification, you must maintain your Special Patrolman status (including your New York City**

residency) for the duration of employment. Follow the instructions given to you on the day of the multiple-choice test to indicate your interest in such Selective Certification. This requirement may be met at anytime 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, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Please indicate the examination title and number, your social security number, and “**SPP**” on your correspondence.

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS:

Late Filing: Consult **your agency's personnel office** to determine the procedure for filing a late application if you meet one or more of the following conditions:

- (1) You are absent from work for at least one-half of the application period and cannot apply for reasons such as vacation, sick leave or military duty; or
- (2) You become eligible after the above application period but on or before the date of the multiple-choice test.

Make-up Test: You may apply for a make-up test if you cannot take the test on the regular test date(s) 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;
- (5) a clear error for which the Department of Citywide Administrative Services or the examining agency is responsible; or
- (6) a temporary disability, pregnancy-related, or child-birth-related condition preventing you from taking the test.

To request a make-up test, contact Administration, Customer and Exam Support 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 test.

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 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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For information about other exams, and your exam or list status, call 212-669-1357.
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