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NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

**PROMOTION TO SUPERVISOR (WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS)
Exam No. 3561**

WHEN TO APPLY: From: March 8, 2023

APPLICATION FEE: \$82.00

To: March 28, 2023

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 TEST DATE: Multiple-choice testing is expected to begin on **Tuesday, June 13, 2023.**

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

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES:

Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems), under supervision, supervise one or more work crews in the construction, operation, maintenance and repair of sewage, drainage and water supply distribution systems, including related appurtenances, equipment and structures, and in the maintenance and rehabilitation of water courses and related structures and facilities, lands and grounds, reservoirs and aqueducts, and drive a motor vehicle in the performance of assigned duties. All Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) perform related work.

Special Working Conditions:

Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) may be required to work various shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

Some of the physical activities performed by Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) and environmental conditions experienced are: climbing and descending ladders; climbing in and out of excavations; standing for long periods of time; walking to and from repair sites; bending, crouching, and kneeling; using power driven and regular hand tools; working in confined areas; working outdoors in all kinds of weather; working alongside roads; working in areas that have high noise levels and may be wet, dark, dusty, dirty and/or acid; working in the presence of vermin, toxic and/or corrosive chemicals.

(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 \$63,150 per annum. This rate is subject to change.

ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE EXAMINATION:

This examination is open to each employee of the **Department of Environmental Protection** who on the **first 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 Construction Laborer; **and**
2. is not otherwise ineligible.

(Note: A "Preferred List" is a civil service list which is only for certain former permanent employees 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.

READ CAREFULLY AND SAVE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

ELIGIBILITY TO BE PROMOTED:

In order to be eligible for promotion, you must have completed your probationary period in an 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, unless your probationary period in that eligible title has been waived pursuant to Rule 5.2.4 of the Personnel Rules and Regulations of the City of New York.

REQUIREMENT(S) TO BE PROMOTED:

Commercial Driver License Class B (CDL-B) Requirement: By the time you are promoted to this position, you must have a valid New York State CDL Class B License with an "N" Tank Vehicles endorsement and no Air Brake restrictions. 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.

Certificate Requirements: Within nine (9) months of promotion, you must obtain all of the following Certificates of Fitness issued by the New York City Fire Department and the Grade D (Water Distribution System) Certificate issued by the New York State Department of Health. These certificates must be maintained for the duration of your employment:

1. (A35) Operate and Maintain Air Compressors
2. (C92) Supervision of Flammable/Combustible Liquids
3. (F60) Fire Guard for Torch Operations
4. (G44) Storage and Handling of Liquefied Petroleum Gas or Compressed Natural Gas
5. (G46) Storage, Handling, Use and Refilling of Non-Flammable Gas Cylinders
6. (G60) Torch Use of Flammable Gas
7. (G98) Handling, Use and Storage of Flammable Compressed Gases
8. (S94) Handling and Dispensing Flammable or Combustible Liquids
9. (P15) Motor Fuel-Dispensing Service Station, **and**
10. Grade D (Water Distribution System) Certificate

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 the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers 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. The centers will be open Monday through Friday 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

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.

You must complete the entire application by midnight, Eastern Time, of the last day of the application period. If you have questions about applying for this examination, you may contact DCAS at OASys@dcas.nyc.gov.

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:

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.

THE TEST:

The multiple-choice test will be given at a computer terminal. A score of at least 70% is required to pass this test. Your score on this 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 a Supervisor (Water and Sewer Systems).

Task areas to be tested are as follows: investigation and evaluation of the City of New York Water and Sewer System; supervising, monitoring, evaluating and training staff in the construction and repair of the City of New York Water and Sewer System; preparing forms, reports and documents; and verbal communication regarding water and sewer related matters.

The test may include questions on knowledge of investigational practices, methodology, agency policy and legal requirements related to defects and preventative maintenance of water and sewer systems; knowledge of construction, installation, repair and servicing of water and sewer systems; knowledge of the principles of supervision; knowledge of safe working practices; standards of proper employee 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:

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: Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) may need to read and interpret reports and information prior to sending a work crew or team to address the situation.

Written Comprehension: understanding written sentences and paragraphs. Example: Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) may need to read and utilize reports submitted to them by other city agencies.

Written Expression: using English words or sentences in writing so that others will understand. Example: Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) will need to complete forms and documents at the end of the work day.

Conflict Resolution: negotiating with others to resolve grievances or conflicts and handle complaints by developing a constructive solution. Example: Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) may need to work with members of the public to handle complaints and grievances regarding repairs being completed in their neighborhood.

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. While similar to Planning and Organizing, Judgment and Decision-Making are typically applied over a shorter time frame. Example: Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) may need to evaluate the cost of damage from a water main break and decide how best to avoid additional damages.

Monitoring: monitoring/assessing performance of oneself, other individuals or organizations to make improvements or take corrective action; overseeing the quality of performance. Example: Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) will visit work sites to monitor subordinates' progress on assignments.

Coaching & Mentoring: identifying the developmental needs of others and coaching, mentoring, or otherwise helping others to improve their knowledge or skills. Example: Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) may need to guide and work with subordinates to ensure safety and regulations are being followed at fieldwork sites.

Attention to Detail: being careful about detail and thorough in completing work tasks. Example: Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) will need to pay close attention to valves and water flow to determine the order in which valves need to be turned off when working with their crew.

Teamwork: developing mutual trust and cooperation while working together toward the accomplishment of a common goal or outcome. Example: Supervisors (Water and Sewer Systems) will require subordinates to work well together on assignments and determine appropriate crew members to assign to tasks and work groups.

Certain questions may need to be answered on the basis of documents or other information supplied to the candidates on the date of the multiple-choice exam.

EXAM SITE ADMISSION:

Your Admission Notice will be available on your Dashboard in OASys 14 days before the first date on which testing is expected to begin. You can print or display your Admission Notice on your phone or personal device to gain entry to the test site. Test site assignments will take your address into consideration, but nearness to your address cannot be guaranteed.

Warning: After gaining entry to the test site, you are not permitted to enter the testing area with electronic devices. Electronic devices include, but are not limited to, cellular phones, smart watches, recording devices, beepers, pagers, cameras, or portable media players. You are not permitted to use any type of headphones or ear buds. Calculators are permitted; however, they must be hand-held, battery or solar powered, and 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 anywhere at any test site, whether in the testing area, restroom, hallway, or other location, at any time before, during or after the test or Protest Review Session, your test score will be nullified, you will be disqualified from taking any civil service tests for up to five years, 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 a Computer-based Testing & Applications Center 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, City or State issued identification card, IDNYC, 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.

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) 500-7190, 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, and/or new telephone number.

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 multiple-choice test 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 email 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 <https://a856-exams.nyc.gov/oasysweb> 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.

Note: You may attach up to 5 documents to support your appeal by using the attachment functionality.

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 closed but before the date on which testing is expected to begin

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 by mail at 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007, or by email at testingaccomodations@dcas.nyc.gov, as soon as possible, and include documentation of the special circumstances that caused you to miss your test.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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" folder 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 sent to you on your OASys Dashboard, under the Notifications tab. 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 and copies are available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers.

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