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BUREAU OF EXAMINATIONS

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# **NOTICE OF EXAMINATION**

# PROMOTION TO SUPERVISOR HIGHWAY REPAIRER Exam No. 4559 AMENDED NOTICE - January 31, 2024

WHEN TO APPLY: From: December 7, 2023 APPLICATION FEE: \$101.00

To: December 27, 2023

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

THE TEST DATE: Multiple-choice testing is expected to begin on Wednesday, March 13, 2024.

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:

Supervisor Highway Repairers, under general supervision, supervise Highway Repairers and other assigned personnel in the laying and grading of all types of paving materials, in the construction, maintenance and repair of walks, bridges, tunnels, roadways, fences and other structures, gutters and curbs, and in maintaining the security of facilities and equipment. Supervisor Highway Repairers must be able to follow the sequence of traffic island implementations, which involves utility mark outs, layout, saw- cutting, excavating, forming work, concrete pours, sealing and corking. They must be familiar with cobble stone repairs, replacing subbase and cobble stone setting. Supervisor Highway Repairers should be familiar with safety operations on highways, streets, and bridges. Supervisor Highway Repairers should be familiar with snow related operations. Supervisor Highway Repairers may operate a motor vehicle. All Supervisor Highway Repairers perform related work.

# **Special Working Conditions:**

Supervisor Highway Repairers may be required to work shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

Some of the physical activities performed by Supervisor Highway Repairers and environmental conditions experienced are: carrying materials and tools weighing up to 50 pounds (e.g. a 50 lb. bag of cold patch); climbing up and down stairs and climbing ladders; and working at heights, in confined spaces and dusty areas. Supervisor Highway Repairers may be required to drive plow trucks during the winter season. Supervisor Highway Repairers may be required to be on their knees for extended periods of time while repairing cobble stones.

(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 \$49.96 per hour for a 40-hour work week. This rate is subject to change.

# **HOW TO APPLY:**

If you believe you are eligible to take this examination, apply using the Online Application System (OASys) at <a href="https://www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs">www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs</a>. Follow the onscreen application instructions for electronically submitting your application, 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: <a href="https://a856-exams.nyc.gov/OASysWeb/faqs">https://a856-exams.nyc.gov/OASysWeb/faqs</a>. 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 & Application Centers to apply for this examination online. However, you must schedule a customer service appointment prior to your visit. Due to the

COVID19 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:

ManhattanBrooklynQueens2 Lafayette Street210 Joralemon Street118-35 Queens Boulevard17th Floor4th Floor5th FloorNew York, NY 10007Brooklyn, NY 11201Forest Hills, NY 11375

Staten IslandBronx135 Canal Street1932 Arthur Avenue3rd Floor2nd FloorStaten Island, NY 10304Bronx, NY 10457

# The DCAS Computer-based Testing & Application Centers will be closed on Monday, December 25, 2023.

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 <a href="https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/pdf\_c\_special\_circumstances\_guide.pdf">https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/pdf\_c\_special\_circumstances\_guide.pdf</a> and available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Application 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 of the Department of Citywide Administrative Services 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 Highway Repairer; 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 the 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 the 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.

# **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, 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:

**Driver License Requirement:** At the time of promotion, candidates must possess a Class B Commercial Driver License valid in the State of New York, valid for air brakes. If you have serious moving violations, license suspension(s), or an accident record, you may be disqualified. This license must be maintained for the duration of your employment.

# THE TEST:

The multiple-choice test will be given at a computer terminal. You must achieve a score of at least 70% to pass this test. Your score on this test will determine 85% of your 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 ½ point for each three months of completed, continuous service with an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services in permanent competitive class titles and the labor class Assistant City Highway Repairer title. Your service will be credited through the date of the multiple-choice 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 abilities and technical knowledge determined to be important to the performance of the tasks of a Supervisor Highway Repairer. Task categories to be tested are as follows: Preparation of Schedules and Overseeing of Work Assignments; Observation and Inspection of Work Assignments; Safety and Training; Directing and Estimating Manpower and Materials; and Paperwork and Administrative Procedures.

The test may include questions which will require mastery of technical knowledge in any of the following areas: Traffic Safety; Safety Guidelines Procedures; Vehicle and Traffic Law; New York City Department of Transportation Standard Operating Procedures; Commercial Driver License Sheet; Right To Know, such as

Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS); Highway Repairers' Tasks and Standards; Roadway and Street Operation; Arterial Operations Material; Mechanical Broom Sweeping; Pothole Repair; Chain Link Fence Repair and Operation; Litter and Debris Removal; Trimming and Pruning; Bulk Patrol; Code of Conduct; and Standards of Proper Employee Ethical Conduct, including provisions of the Mayor's Executive Order No. 16 of 1978, as amended.

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

**Written Comprehension:** understanding written sentences and paragraphs. **Example**: Supervisor Highway Repairers may need to read and utilize reports submitted to them.

**Written Expression:** using English words or sentences in writing so that others will understand. **Example**: Supervisor Highway Repairers will need to complete forms and documents at the beginning and end of the work day.

**Monitoring:** monitoring/assessing performance of oneself, other individuals or organizations to make improvements or take corrective action; overseeing the quality of performance. **Example**: Supervisor Highway Repairers 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**: Supervisor Highway Repairers may need to guide and work with subordinates to ensure safety and regulations are being followed at work sites.

**Attention to Detail:** being careful about detail and thorough in completing work tasks. **Example**: Supervisor Highway Repairers will need to pay close attention to the placement of safety signs, barrels and cones when working in high traffic areas.

**Teamwork:** developing mutual trust and cooperation while working together toward the accomplishment of a common goal or outcome. **Example**: Supervisor Highway Repairers will require subordinates to work well together on assignments and determine appropriate crew members to assign to tasks and work groups.

**Planning and 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**: Supervisor Highway Repairers may need to coordinate with other city agencies, such as the New York Police Department, in order to effectively manage complaints and grievances regarding road closures.

**Management of Material Resources:** obtaining and seeing to the appropriate use of equipment, facilities and materials needed to do certain work; managing the things needed for work to be accomplished. **Example:** Supervisor Highway Repairers may need to evaluate the cost and number of materials needed for a particular project, and decide how to best allocate funds and avoid wastage of supplies.

**Adaptability/Flexibility:** Responding to change (positive or negative) in a constructive manner and adapting approach as needed to the situation. **Example:** Supervisor Highway Repairers may use this ability when new standard operating procedures are instituted.

**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:** Supervisor Highway Repairers may use this ability to assess and troubleshoot issues with equipment."

**Time Management:** Managing one's own time and the time of others in order to promote effective use of work hours. **Example:** Supervisor Highway Repairers may use this ability when projecting the tasks that need to be completed for the day.

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 are also not permitted to use on site any medical assistive devices, including those that give notifications, or alerts, or that vibrate, without the prior express written authorization of DCAS. You can contact DCAS by email at: testingaccommodations@dcas.nyc.gov.

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 & Application 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, 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.

# 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 promotion 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:

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- 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 hanber(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 trained by remain active for four years. To learn more about the civil service system. 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 <a href="https://www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs">www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs</a> and use the following steps:

- 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. being ordered to military duty; or
- 2. compulsory attendance before a court or other public body or official having the power to compel attendance: or
- 3. on-the-job injury or illness caused by municipal employment where you are an officer or employee of the City; or
- 4. absence from the test within one week after the death of a spouse, domestic partner, parent, parentin-law, sibling, child or child of a domestic partner where you are an officer or employee of the City; or 5. a clear error for which the Department of Citywide Administrative Services or the examining agency
- is responsible; or
- 6. a temporary disability; or
- 7. pregnancy, childbirth or a related medical condition.

To request a make-up test, contact Administration, Customer, and Exam Support (ACES) by email at testingaccommodations@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" 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 and copies are available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Application Centers.

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