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NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

PROMOTION TO CEMENT MASON Exam No. 5521

WHEN TO APPLY: **From: March 5, 2025**

 To: March 25, 2025

APPLICATION FEE: \$101.00

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.

CANDIDATES WHO DEMONSTRATE THAT THEY ARE A VETERAN, UNEMPLOYED, RECEIVING PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, OR SUPPLEMENTARY SECURITY INCOME, ARE ENTITLED TO A WAIVER OF THE APPLICATION FEE.

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

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES:

Cement Masons, under direction, prepare, mix, lay and finish cement and concrete to grade and contour; prepare and set forms; lay concrete floors, pavements, walks, foundations and retaining walls (plain and reinforced); screed and finish cement and/or concrete to grade; prepare material requisitions to meet job requirements; operate small power equipment and tools; keep records; may supervise assigned personnel; and may operate a motor vehicle. All Cement Masons perform related work.

Special Working Conditions:

Cement Masons may be required to work various shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Some of the physical activities performed by Cement Masons and environmental conditions experienced are: crouching, carrying tools and/or equipment weighing up to 50 pounds; working outdoors in all kinds of weather; wearing ear plugs, work gloves and work shoes when performing work; and removing concrete with hand tools and/or power tools.

(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 \$55.90 per hour for a 35-hour work week. 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 by **the last day of the application period**:

- 1. holds a permanent (not provisional) competitive appointment or appears on a Preferred List (see Note below) for the title of Mason's Helper; **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 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 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.

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Additionally, you must have served permanently in the eligible title for at least one year.

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, 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/faqs>. **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.

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

<u>Manhattan</u>	<u>Brooklyn</u>	<u>Queens</u>
2 Lafayette Street 17th Floor New York, NY 10007	210 Joralemon Street 4th Floor Brooklyn, NY 11201	118-35 Queens Boulevard 5th Floor Forest Hills, NY 11375
<u>Staten Island</u>	<u>Bronx</u>	
135 Canal Street 3rd Floor Staten Island, NY 10304	1932 Arthur Avenue 2nd Floor Bronx, NY 10457	

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 via nyc.gov/CivilServiceNowNYC and select the applicable subject.

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 & Application Centers. This guide gives important information about 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 (March 25, 2025) to clearly specify in detail all of your relevant 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 (March 25, 2025), your examination will be considered incomplete, 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:

You will be given an Education and Experience Exam. Your score on this test will be used to determine your place on an eligible list. On the 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 with the City of New York as a permanent (not provisional) Mason's Helper for:	You will receive up to:
At least 1 year but less than 2 years	4 points
At least 2 years but less than 3 years	8 points
At least 3 years but less than 4 years	12 points
At least 4 years but less than 5 years	16 points
5 or more years	20 points

If you have satisfactory full-time experience with an employer other than the City of New York as a cement mason for:	You will receive up to:
At least 1 year but less than 2 years	2 points
At least 2 years but less than 3 years	4 points
At least 3 years but less than 4 years	6 points
At least 4 years but less than 5 years	8 points
5 or more years	10 points

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.

(number of hours worked per week/35) x (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 x 12 = 7.2 months.

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

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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 (March 25, 2025), your examination will be considered incomplete, 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.

You will not receive additional credit for experience which you obtain after March 25, 2025.

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
- If you are unable to recall and/or no longer have access to the email address associated with your OASys account, please contact us via the following link: nyc.gov/CivilServiceNowNYC using the "Account Access, User ID, Password or Registration Issue" subject or call (212) 669-1357 (Monday - Friday from 9 AM - 5 PM EST).

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 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 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 License: If you have the licenses listed below, you may be considered for promotion to positions requiring these licenses through a process called Selective Certification. If you qualify for Selective Certification, you may be given preferred consideration for positions requiring these licenses. If you wish to apply for this Selective Certification, follow the onscreen instructions when completing the Education and Experience Exam to indicate your interest in such Selective Certification and Final Submit it in the Online Application System (OASys). **Your license(s) will be checked by the promoting agency at the time of promotion. If you are promoted through this Selective Certification, your license(s) must be maintained for the duration of your employment.**

Selective Certification for Motor Vehicle Driver License (MVO): Possession of a motor vehicle Driver License that is valid in the State of New York.

Selective Certification for Commercial Driver License (CDL) (for Department of Transportation only): All promotions to positions at the Department of Transportation require a Class B Commercial Driver License valid in the State of New York. Such license must have no restrictions which would preclude the performance of Cement Mason work: either: (1) a Class B Commercial Driver License valid in the State of New York with no such restrictions, or (2) a motor vehicle Driver License in the State of New York and a learner's permit for a Class B Commercial Driver License valid in the State of New York with no such restrictions. If you qualify under (2) above, you will be promoted subject to the receipt of a Class B Commercial Driver License valid in the State of New York with no restrictions within ninety days of promotion.

Drug Screening Requirement for Selective Certification for Commercial Driver License (for promotion at the Department of Transportation Only): You must pass a drug screening in order to be promoted through Selective Certification, and if promoted, you will be subject to random drug and alcohol tests for the duration of your employment. Additionally, if you have tested positive on a drug or alcohol test or had a refusal to test during preemployment or while employed by a Federal DOT-regulated employer during the applicable period, you must have completed the Substance Abuse Professional (SAP) process required by federal law in order to be promoted to this position.

The above Selective Certification requirements may be met at any time during the duration of the list. If you meet these Selective Certification requirements at some future date, please submit a request by email to: *LMACustomerService@dcas.nyc.gov* or 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 full name, OASys Profile ID number, and the Selective Certification you are requesting on your correspondence.

Application Receipt:

You will be emailed a receipt immediately after you have applied for the examination. If you do not receive this receipt, check your "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, under 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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