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# NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

# AIR POLLUTION INSPECTOR Exam No. 6011

WHEN TO APPLY: From: September 3, 2025 APPLICATION FEE: \$61.00

To: September 23, 2025

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:

Air Pollution Inspectors, under direct supervision, receive training in and, with limited latitude for the exercise of independent judgment, assist in and perform beginning level work conducting air and/or noise pollution inspections. Air Pollution Inspectors may operate a motor vehicle. All Air Pollution Inspectors perform related work.

# **Special Working Conditions:**

Air Pollution Inspectors may be required to work various shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

Some of the physical activities performed by Air Pollution Inspectors and environmental conditions experienced are: climbing and descending ladders or stairs to get to areas to be inspected; standing for extended periods of time; bending and stooping during inspections; working in confined areas; distinguishing colors; wearing hard hat and respirator for various inspections; climbing around and over various objects; walking in areas that may be damp, dark, dusty, smoky, or acrid; 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 \$40,616 per annum. This rate is subject to change. There are two assignment levels within this class of positions. Appointments will generally be made to Assignment Level I. Appointments to this class of positions at Assignment Level I are subject to a minimum probationary period of three years. After appointment, employees may be assigned to the higher assignment level at the discretion of the agency.

# **HOW TO QUALIFY:**

You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the qualification requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If you are found "Not Qualified," your application fee will not be refunded and you will not receive a score.

As per Section 54(2) of the Civil Service Law, the education requirement needed to qualify must be met by September 23, 2026.

# **EDUCATION REQUIREMENT:**

Four-year high school diploma or its educational equivalent.

The high school diploma or its educational equivalent must be approved by a State's Department of Education or a recognized accrediting organization.

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. For more information see the Foreign Education Evaluation Guide in the Required Information section.

You have until midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (September 23, 2025) to clearly specify in detail all of your relevant education and experience and Final Submit your Education and Experience Exam in the Online Application System (OASys). Once you Final Submit your Education and Experience Exam in OASys, you will not be permitted to submit new or additional information on your Education and Experience Exam online.

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 (September 23, 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.

## **Certificate Requirement:**

Within three years of appointment to Assignment Level I candidates must possess an acceptable Visible Emissions Certificate and an acceptable Urban Noise Course certificate. These certificates must be maintained for the duration of employment.

#### **Driver License Requirement:**

Upon appointment to Assignment Level I candidates must possess a motor vehicle driver license valid in the State of New York. This license must be maintained for the duration of employment.

# **Drug Screening Requirement:**

You must pass a drug screening in order to be appointed.

# **Residency Requirement Advisory:**

Under New York City Administrative Code Section 12-120, you might need to be a resident of the City of New York within 90 days of the date you are appointed to this position. Since residency requirements vary by title, appointing agency and length of service, consult the appointing agency's personnel office at the time of the appointment interview to find out if City residency is required.

#### **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 an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services.

## **HOW TO APPLY:**

If you believe you meet the requirements in the "How to Qualify" section, 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.

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 A

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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 <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 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 (September 23, 2025) to clearly specify in detail all of your relevant education and experience on your Education and Experience Exam and submit it in the Online Application System (OASys).

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3. Foreign Education Evaluation Guide (Required only if you need credit for your foreign education in this examination): 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 which is located on the DCAS website at <a href="https://www.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/nyc-dcas-foreign-education-evaluation-guide.pdf">https://www.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/nyc-dcas-foreign-education-evaluation-guide.pdf</a>. When you contact the evaluation service, ask for a "document-by document" evaluation if you claim only a high school diploma. Ask for a "course-by-course" evaluation (which includes a "document-by-document" evaluation) of your foreign education if you claim college credits. 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 day of the Application Period (September 23, 2025).

#### THE TEST:

Your score will be determined by an Education and Experience Exam. You will receive a score of 70 points for meeting the education requirement listed above. After the requirement is met, you will receive additional credit up to a maximum of 100 points on the following basis:

Education, certificates, and experience used to gain additional credit must be obtained by the last day of the Application Period (September 23, 2025).

If you have satisfactory full-time experience as an Inspector, in any profession for:	You will receive up to:
At least 1 year but less than 2 years	10 points
At least 2 years but less than 3 years	15 points
3 or more years	20 points
If you possess a trade certificate from a trade school in the following skilled trades:	You will receive:
boiler making, steam fitting, construction, electrician, mechanical engineering, HVAC technology or electrical technology	10 points
If you possess at least 9 semester credits from an accredited college or university in the following subjects:	You will receive up to:
Acoustical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical Technology, Construction Technology	15 points

**Note:** The word "Inspector" must be a part of your job title to be acceptable for full-time inspector experience.

The college or university must be accredited by regional, national, professional, or specialized agencies recognized as accrediting bodies by the U.S. Secretary of Education and by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). The trade or technical school must be approved by a State's Department of Education or a recognized accrediting organization. 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. For more information see the Foreign Education Evaluation Guide in the Required Information section.

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:  $21/35 \times 12 = 7.2$  months.

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# 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 the 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, 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 appointment. If you meet all requirements and conditions, you will be considered for appointment 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: <a href="https://www.nyc.gov/site/dcas/employment/more-about-civil-service.page">https://www.nyc.gov/site/dcas/employment/more-about-civil-service.page</a>.

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://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: If you possess the certification listed below, you may be considered for appointment to positions requiring the certification through a process called Selective Certification. If you qualify for Selective Certification, you may be given preferred consideration for these positions. If you wish to apply for Selective Certification, follow the onscreen instructions when completing the Education and Experience Exam to indicate your interest in Selective Certification and Final Submit it in the Online Application System (OASys). Your certification(s) will be checked by the appointing agency at the time of appointment. If you are appointed through Selective Certification, you must maintain the certification for the duration of your employment.

- 1. Visible Emissions Certification (or similar certification utilizing EPA Method 9) (VEC): Possession of a valid Visible Emissions Certification (or similar certification utilizing EPA Method 9).
- Noise Enforcement Certification (or similar certification such as 'Urban Noise Measurement (Sound Level Meter) Training') (NEM): Possession of a valid Noise Enforcement Certification (or similar certification such as "Urban Noise Measurement (Sound Level Meter) Training")
- 3. **Municipal Government Experience (MGE)**: At least one (1) year of satisfactory, full-time experience working within a municipal government in a similar position, which provides services for a city with over 1 million in population.
- 4. Federal Government Experience (FGE): At least one (1) year of satisfactory, full-time experience working within the federal government of the United States in a similar position.
- 5. AmeriCorps (AMC): Successful completion of at least ten (10) months of satisfactory, full-time experience as an NYC Service AmeriCorps member at a City agency or nonprofit organization, which includes 100+ hours of workforce preparedness trainings.
- Civil Service Pathways Fellowship (FEL): Successful completion of at least one (1) year of the Civil Service Pathways Fellowship program.

The above Selective Certification requirements may be met at anytime during the duration of the list. If you meet the Selective Certification requirement at some future date, please submit a request by contacting DCAS via the following link: nyc.gov/CivilServiceNowNYC using the "Selective Certification" subject. Please include the examination title and number, your full name, OASys Profile ID number, and the Selective Certification(s) you are requesting in your submission.

#### Investigation:

The position is subject to investigation before appointment. At the time of investigation, you will be required to pay a fingerprint screening fee of \$101.25 (\$75.00 for DCJS, \$12.00 for FBI plus a \$14.25 service fee). At the time of investigation and at the time of appointment, you must present originals or certified copies of all required documents and proof, including but not limited to proof of date and place of birth by transcript, or other satisfactory evidence, naturalization papers, if necessary, proof of any military service, and proof of meeting educational and experiential requirements, if applicable. You may be disqualified if your statements are found to be false, exaggerated, or misleading or if you fail to provide required documents. Investigation must be completed prior to appointment.

#### 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 appointment, 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.