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## NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

### PROMOTION TO CHIEF MARINE ENGINEER Exam No. 6517

**WHEN TO APPLY:** From: February 4, 2026

**APPLICATION FEE:** \$101.00

To: February 24, 2026

Candidates paying the application fee with a credit, debit, or gift card will incur a nonrefundable 2.00% service fee. However, veterans, unemployed individuals, and those receiving public assistance or supplementary security income qualify for a fee waiver.

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

#### WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES:

Chief Marine Engineers, under general direction, supervise and direct the operation of the main propulsion equipment and auxiliaries of a diesel direct or diesel electric powered ferryboat. Chief Marine Engineers supervise and direct all members of the below-deck team; supervise and direct the operation, maintenance and minor or emergency repair of the main propulsion equipment, boilers, auxiliaries, electrical equipment, steering engines, pumps and fuel tanks on New York City ferryboats; perform all duties of inspection officer and team leader for below decks; supervise and direct the care, storage and use of fuel on board ship; ensure that machinery and systems are operated in accordance with safety management system requirements, United States Coast Guard and departmental regulations pertaining to the operation of engine equipment of ferryboats and ensure specified documents and records are properly maintained. All Chief Marine Engineers perform related work.

#### Special Working Conditions:

Chief Marine Engineers may be required to work various shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

Some of the physical activities performed by Chief Marine Engineers and environmental conditions experienced are: walking up and down steep gangways, ladders and stairs wearing flotation coats; communicating orally in a noisy environment; standing watch aboard ship which requires good vision and hearing; using speed and agility during shipboard emergencies; and lifting equipment weighing up to 100 pounds, and other physical Chief Marine Engineer related work.

(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 \$145,799 per annum. This rate is subject to change.

#### ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE EXAMINATION:

This examination is open to each employee of the New York City Department of Transportation who **on 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 Marine Engineer; **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**. It is your responsibility to ensure you meet the eligibility requirements for the examination before submitting your application. If it is determined 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 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.

## CREDENTIAL AND CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS:

By the **last day of the Application Period**, you must have:

1. A valid U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC) with endorsement as a Chief Engineer of Motor Vessels of unlimited horsepower; or a valid U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC) with endorsement as a Chief Engineer (Limited) of Motor Vessels of unlimited horsepower; **and**
2. A valid U.S. Coast Guard medical certificate without restriction for applicable service; **and**
3. A valid Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) issued by the U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA).

For your current MMC, medical certificate and TWIC, be sure to list the date issued and expiration date on your Profile page. For each expired MMC with required endorsement you have previously held, complete a separate section listing the date issued and expiration date.

You will not receive credit for credentials and certificates which you obtain after the end of the Application Period.

## REQUIREMENT(S) TO BE PROMOTED:

At the time of promotion, candidates on the eligible list must meet the following qualification requirements:

**Medical Requirement:** Medical guidelines have been established for the position of Chief Marine Engineer. Candidates will be examined to determine whether they can perform the essential functions of the position of Chief Marine Engineer. Where appropriate, a reasonable accommodation will be provided for a person with a disability to enable him or her to take the medical examination, and/or to perform the essential functions of the job.

**Drug Screening Requirement:** You must pass a drug screening in order to be promoted. Chief Marine Engineers are subject to random drug and alcohol testing during the term of their employment. Any Chief Marine Engineer found in possession of, or using, illegal drugs will be terminated.

## HOW TO APPLY:

Apply through the Online Application System (OASys) at [www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs](http://www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs). Follow the onscreen application instructions to submit your application and payment. A valid email address is required. Free email accounts are available from Google, Yahoo!, AOL, Outlook.com, or Mail.com.

New OASys accounts must be verified to confirm your email address is valid and that you have access to the email account. You will receive a confirmation email from OASys to confirm your account upon registering for your OASys account. If any issues arise, contact DCAS at [nyc.gov/CivilServiceNowNYC](http://nyc.gov/CivilServiceNowNYC) and select the applicable subject. If you do not receive the confirmation email, check your spam or junk mail folder before contacting DCAS.

You can pay with major credit cards, bank cards, or prepaid debit cards with a credit card logo. Veterans and individuals receiving certain public assistance may qualify for a fee waiver. For more information on eligibility and required documentation, visit the Fee Waiver FAQs on OASys at <https://a856-exams.nyc.gov/OASysWeb/faqs>.

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:

### 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

**The DCAS Computer-based Testing & Application Centers will be closed on Monday, February 16, 2026.**

## Application Receipt:

After applying for the examination through the Online Application System (OASys), expect an immediate receipt via email. If you don't see it, be sure to check your Junk, Trash, or Spam folders. Alternatively, you can view a summary of your application status on your OASys Dashboard under "Notifications."

If you still can't find the email, contact DCAS at [NYC.gov/CivilServiceNowNYC](http://NYC.gov/CivilServiceNowNYC) and select the applicable subject. Include your exam number and profile number for easier identification. Also, verify that your email address in your profile is accurate and up to date. Finally, add [OASys@dcas.nyc.gov](mailto:OASys@dcas.nyc.gov) to your known senders to ensure you receive all important communications.

### **Special Circumstances Guide:**

This Guide provides instructions for requesting alternate test dates for religious observances, how to apply for disability accommodations, Legacy credit, and address changes. Following the relevant instructions in the guide is crucial when filling out the "Application for Examination." Guide Link: [https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcasa/downloads/pdf/employment/pdf\\_c\\_special\\_circumstances\\_guide.pdf](https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcasa/downloads/pdf/employment/pdf_c_special_circumstances_guide.pdf)

### **Civil Service Guidance for Veterans:**

There are a range of benefits available to eligible veterans in their civil service careers. Specifically, veterans and disabled veterans may be eligible for application fee waivers, preference credits, make-up exams, retroactive seniority, and age deduction where the exam has maximum age requirements. Review the Civil Service Guidance for Veterans at:

<https://www.nyc.gov/assets/dcasa/downloads/pdf/employment/faqs-for-veterans.pdf>

### **PENALTY FOR MISREPRESENTATION:**

Any intentional misrepresentation on the application or examination may result in disqualification, even after promotion, and may result in criminal prosecution.

### **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.
- Education and Experience Exam:** Complete the exam by following the on-screen instructions. You must provide detailed information about your licenses, education, and experience and finalize your submission in the Online Application System (OASys) by midnight Eastern time on the last day of the application period.  
Once you click on Final Submit, no further changes can be made. Failure to submit by the deadline will result in your examination being deemed incomplete, and you will not receive a score or be invited to any subsequent exam portions. Additionally, your application fee will not be refunded.
- If applicable, ensure your foreign education evaluation is submitted directly to DCAS by an approved evaluation service within eight weeks after the application deadline.** Approved evaluation services are listed in the Foreign Education Evaluation Guide located on the DCAS website at <https://www.nyc.gov/assets/dcasa/downloads/pdf/employment/nyc-dcas-foreign-education-evaluation-guide.pdf>. Request a **"document-by-document" (general)** evaluation.

### **THE TEST:**

Your score will be determined by an Education and Experience Exam. You will receive a score of 70 points for meeting the eligibility requirements listed in the Eligibility To Be Promoted section. After these requirements are met, you will receive additional credit up to a maximum of 100 points on the following basis:

**Education and experience used to gain additional credit must be obtained by the last day of the Application Period (February 24, 2026).**

**If you have satisfactory full-time experience as a permanent (not provisional) Marine Engineer with a valid MMC with endorsement as a Chief Engineer of Motor Vessels of unlimited horsepower for:**

At least 1 year but less than 2 years	6 points
At least 2 years but less than 3 years	12 points
At least 3 years but less than 4 years	18 points
At least 4 years but less than 5 years	24 points
5 or more years	30 points

**If you have satisfactory full-time experience as a permanent (not provisional) Marine Engineer with a valid MMC with endorsement as a Third, Second, or First Assistant Engineer of Motor Vessels of unlimited horsepower for:**

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

You may claim a maximum of one year of experience credit for each year you worked. Each year of experience will be credited under only one category which will be the highest appropriate category.

For your MMC with endorsement, be sure to list the date issued and expiration date on your Profile page. For each expired MMC with required endorsement you have held, complete a separate section listing the date issued and expiration date.

**For education, you will receive additional points as follows:**

	<b>You will receive</b>
Possession of a baccalaureate degree in Marine Engineering from an accredited college or university.	3 points
Possession of a baccalaureate degree in engineering other than Marine Engineering from an accredited college or university.	2 points
Possession of a master's degree in Marine Engineering from an accredited college or university.	2 points
Possession of a master's degree in engineering other than Marine Engineering from an accredited college or university.	1 point

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).

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'll answer questions about your work experience. If you worked part-time for less than 35 hours a week, convert your hours to a full-time equivalent using this formula:

$$(\text{number of hours worked per week}/35) \times (\text{number of months worked})$$

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.

You must final submit all relevant education and experience details in the Online Application System (OASys) by midnight Eastern time on February 24, 2026. Once you click Final Submit, you cannot make any changes.

If you do not final submit your Education and Experience Exam by the deadline, your application will be considered incomplete. Consequently, you will not receive a score, will not advance to further exam portions (if applicable), and your application fee will not be refunded.

**CHANGE OF MAILING ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, AND/OR TELEPHONE NUMBER:**

It is essential to promptly notify DCAS of any changes to your mailing address, email address, or phone number. Without your correct contact information, you may miss important updates regarding your exam(s), appointment considerations, or critical information that requires a timely response. To update your contact information, follow these steps:

- City Employees: update your information in NYCAPS Employee Self-Service (ESS) at [www.nyc.gov/ess](http://www.nyc.gov/ess)
- All Others: Log into your OASys account at [www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs](http://www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs), navigate to your Dashboard, and update your Profile page.

**CHANGE OF NAME AND/OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:**

To change your name and/or social security number with DCAS, use the Data Correction Form and follow all instructions provided. You can access the DCAS Data Correction Form at the following link: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcasa/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 on the eligible list in final score order. You will receive a list number and be notified of your test results via email. This eligible list determines the order of candidates considered for promotion, usually active for four years. For more information about the civil service system, visit: <https://www.nyc.gov/site/dcasa/employment/more-about-civil-service.page>.

If you believe your test was rated incorrectly, you can appeal your score to DCAS, Committee on Manifest Errors, using the Online Application System (OASys). Your appeal must clearly state the reasons for requesting a higher score and may result in a different rating.

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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/dcasa](http://nyc.gov/dcasa) and copies are available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Application Centers.

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Internet: [nyc.gov/dcasa](http://nyc.gov/dcasa)