

Notice of Examination

Promotion to Power Maintainer — Group B, Exam No. 8701

Application Deadline:

August 29, 2017

Type of Test:

Multiple-Choice

Application Fee:

\$82.00

Test Date: (subject to change)

January 27, 2018

JOB DESCRIPTION

Power Maintainers — Group B, under supervision, operate, maintain, install, inspect, test, alter and repair MTA New York City Transit's power substation equipment and related control equipment. They operate the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) computer system; operate, maintain, service and repair mercury arc and silicon rectifiers, rotary converters, high tension and low tension switch gear, automatic relay panels and circuits, auxiliary equipment and accessories; sectionalize power equipment; make computations; keep records; write reports; operate motor vehicles; and perform related work.

Some of the physical activities performed by Power Maintainers — Group B and environmental conditions they experience are: working in tunnels in dim light; working outdoors in all weather conditions; distinguishing colored lights and color-coded wires; climbing onto and off trainways; hearing oncoming trains and warning whistles; and making inspections of equipment.

Special Working Conditions: Power Maintainer — Group B may be required to work various shifts, including nights, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

(This brief description does not include all of the duties of this position.)

SALARY

The current minimum salary is \$30.28 per hour for a 40-hour work week. This rate is subject to change.

ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE EXAMINATION

This examination is open to each employee of MTA New York City Transit who **on the date of the multiple-choice test**:

- 1. Is permanently (not provisionally) employed in or appears on a Preferred List (see Note, below) for the title of Transit Electrical Helper in the Electrical Power Subdivision; or
- 2. Is employed in the non-competitive title of Transit Electrical Apprentice and has satisfactorily completed the 3-year Transit Electrical Apprentice program in the Electrical Power Subdivision; and

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3. 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 an eligible title pursuant to New York State Civil Service Law, section 55-a, and who meet all other eligibility requirements.

You are responsible for determining whether you meet the eligibility requirements for this examination prior to submitting the *Application*. If you do not know if you are eligible check with **your department's Human Resources representative**. You may be given the test before we verify your eligibility. If you are marked "Not Eligible," your application fee will **not** be refunded and you will **not** receive a score.

This examination is <u>not</u> open to employees of MaBSTOA or MTA Bus Company, or to employees of MTA agencies other than MTA New York City Transit.

REQUIREMENTS TO BE PROMOTED

Probationary Period (for employees in the competitive title of Transit Electrical Helper): At the time of promotion, you must have completed your probationary period and you must be permanently employed in the eligible title of Transit Electrical Helper indicated in the above "Eligibility To Take Examination" section or your name must appear on a Preferred List for the title at the time of promotion. Additionally, you must have served permanently in the eligible title for at least one year. Time served prior to a break in service of more than one year will not be credited.

Employment (for employees in the non-competitive title of Transit Electrical Apprentice): At time of promotion, you must be employed as a Transit Electrical Apprentice in the Electrical Power Subdivision of MTA NYC Transit.

Driver License Requirement: At the time of promotion, you must have a motor vehicle driver's license valid in the state of New York with no disqualifying restrictions that would preclude the performance of the duties of this title. If you have serious moving violations, a license suspension or an accident record, you may be disqualified. This license must be maintained for the duration of your employment in the title.

Medical Requirement: Medical guidelines have been established for the position of Power Maintainer — Group B. You will be examined to determine whether you can perform the essential functions of the position. Where appropriate, a reasonable accommodation will be provided for a person with a disability to enable him or her to perform the essential functions of the job.

Drug Screening Requirement: You must pass a drug screening in order to be promoted, 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 safety-sensitive position.

HOW TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND PAY THE APPLICATION FEE

If you believe you meet the requirements in the "Eligibility to Take Examination" section, submit an application online by the last day of the application period unless you are requesting a Fee Waiver. Applicants who wish to request a Fee Waiver should refer to the "How to Submit an Application When Requesting a Fee Waiver" section below.

Application Fee: This fee is generally not refundable. Under special circumstances, you may be entitled to a refund. You should refer to the Department of Citywide Administrative Services ("DCAS") Exam Regulations to determine if you are entitled to a refund prior to requesting a refund.

HOW TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND PAY THE APPLICATION FEE (continued)

You can refer to the bottom of the last page of the Notice of Examination for instructions on how to obtain a copy of the DCAS Exam Regulations.

Online Applications:

- 1. Apply using the "BSC" employee portal at www.mymta.info by the last day of the Application period.
- 2. You must pay the *Application* fee via payroll deduction. Applicants who request a fee waiver must apply by mail.
- 3. You will be sent a confirmation number after you submit your *Application* and pay the application fee.

Computers with internet access are available on a limited basis at branches of the New York Public Library, the Brooklyn Public Library and the Queens Library to patrons with a valid library card.

HOW TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION WHEN REQUESTING A FEE WAIVER

Applicants who wish to request a Fee Waiver must obtain an *Application* in person at the MTA New York City Transit Exam Information Center as indicated below and must submit the *Application* by mail to the address in the Correspondence section below **by the last day of the application period**.

MTA New York City Transit will not accept applications in person. Additional information on how to request an application fee waiver is available with the Application.

MTA New York City Transit Exam Information Center: Open Monday through Friday, from 9 AM to 3 PM, in the lobby at 180 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York. Directions: take the A, C, F, or R trains to the Jay Street-Metro Tech Station, or the 2, 3, or G train to the Hoyt Street Station.

ADMISSION LETTER

An Admission Letter will be mailed to you about 10 days before the first date of the Multiple-Choice test. If you do not receive an Admission Letter at least 4 days before this date, you may obtain a duplicate letter at the MTA Exam Information Center (as indicated above). A paper copy of the Admission Letter is your ticket for admission to the test.

Employees **must** keep their official mailing address **up to date.** Only the address on file with the MTA Business Service Center will be used to mail correspondence, including the *Admission Letter*.

THE TEST

You will be given a competitive multiple-choice test. A score of at least 70% is required to pass the multiple-choice 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 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 or non-competitive titles. 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.

Veterans' or Disabled Veterans' Credit will be granted only to eligible passing candidates who request that they be applied. Veterans' or Disabled Veterans' Credit should be requested at the time of application, but **must** be requested before the date the eligible list is established. Claims for Veterans' or Disabled Veterans' Credit cannot be made once the eligible list is established.

The multiple-choice test may include questions on: the operation, maintenance, repair and testing of electrical power equipment used to supply power to the third rail, including rectifiers, motors, generators and related auxiliary and control equipment; MTA New York City Transit rules and

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regulations; safety procedures; operation of electrical equipment, particularly electrical test equipment; fundamentals of electrical circuitry; and other related areas.

TEST ADMINISTRATION GUIDELINES

Warning: You are not permitted to enter the test site with cellular phones, smart watches, beepers, pagers, cameras, portable media players, or other electronic devices. Calculators are permitted; however, they must be hand-held, battery or solar powered, 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 in the building at any time before, during or after the test, you may **not** receive your test results, your test score may be nullified, 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 the test site while you are taking the test.

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.

Proof of Identity: You must present your MTA New York City Transit employee ID when you arrive to take the test.

THE TEST RESULTS

If you pass the multiple-choice test and are marked eligible, your name will be placed in final score on an eligible list and you will be given a list number. You will be notified by mail of your test results. If you meet all requirements and conditions, you will be considered for promotion when your name is reached on the eligible list.

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Late Filing: Consult with **your department's Human Resources representative** to determine the procedure for filing a late *Application* if you meet one of the following conditions:

- 1. You are absent from work for at least one-half of the application period and are unable to apply for reasons such as vacation, sick leave or military duty; or
- 2. You become eligible after the above application period, but on or before the date of the multiplechoice test.

Make-Up Test: You may apply for a make-up test if you cannot take the test on the scheduled test date 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 MTA New York City Transit
- 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;
- 4. Absence due to ordered military duty;
- 5. A clear error for which MTA New York City Transit is responsible; or A temporary disability, pregnancy-related, or child-birth-related condition preventing you from taking the test.

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS (continued)

To request a make-up test, mail your request with your documentation of special circumstances to the address found in the "Correspondence Section" below within 60 days of your scheduled test date or make the request within 60 days of restoration to your position after performing military duty.

Special Test Accommodations: If you plan to request special testing accommodations due to disability or an alternate test date due to your religious belief, follow the instructions included with your *Application* and mail your request to the address found in the "Correspondence" section below no later than 30 days prior to the scheduled test date.

CORRESPONDENCE

Change of Contact Information: It is critical that you promptly notify MTA New York City Transit of any change to your contact information (telephone number, mailing address and/or email address). You may miss important information about your exam(s) or consideration for appointment, including important information that may require a response by a specified deadline, if we do not have your correct contact information.

All changes to your employee contact information must be made through the MTA Business Service Center (BSC) via the employee portal at http://www.mymta.info.

All other correspondence must be sent to the following address:

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MTA New York City Transit

180 Livingston Street, Room 4070

Brooklyn, NY 11201

PENALTY FOR MISREPRESENTATION

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