# **Notice of Examination**

# **Promotion to Car Inspector, Exam #8715**

# **Application Deadline:**

February 27, 2018

# Type of Test:

Multiple-Choice and Practical Skills

# **Application Fee:**

\$82.00

## **Multiple Choice Test Date:**

(subject to change)
Saturday, May 19, 2018 or
Sunday, May 20, 2018

Pursuant to Section 61(1) of the New York Civil Service Law, the eligible list resulting from this examination may also be used to fill vacancies in the title of Road Car Inspector. Candidates who accept promotion as a Car Inspector or Road Car Inspector will be removed from the eligible list. Candidates who decline promotion to one of the above titles will not be considered again for promotion to that title, but may be considered for promotion to the other remaining title.

#### JOB DESCRIPTION

Car Inspectors, under supervision, maintain, inspect, test, examine, lubricate, troubleshoot and make repairs and adjustments on any part of MTA New York City Transit's multiple-unit subway cars and subway service cars in the car shops, terminals, yards and on the road, including subway car body, electrical, electronic, mechanical and pneumatic equipment, truck equipment, body and truck brake rigging, electrical and pneumatic brake equipment, subway car bodies and associated fixtures, air conditioning and heating equipment, and electrical and electronic control and motor equipment; maintain and repair subway car washers and shop equipment; operate and maintain lifting and carrying equipment associated with the placement and removal of subway cars and subway car parts; keep records and prepare reports; and perform related work.

Some of the physical activities performed by Car Inspectors and the environmental conditions they experience are working outdoors in all weather conditions, crouching under subway cars in maintenance pits, reaching into dark spaces and making tactile inspections, making visual inspections of equipment, distinguishing colors, reading gauges and prints, climbing into and out of maintenance pits, using hand tools, hearing warnings (bell, whistle and vocal), and carrying heavy tools and equipment.

**Road Car Inspectors**, under supervision, detect trouble on any part of MTA New York City Transit's multiple-unit subway cars and subway service cars on the road and in terminals, including subway car body and truck equipment, subway car body and truck brake rigging, electrical and pneumatic brake equipment, and electrical and electronic control and motor equipment; make necessary repairs to keep subway cars in service or enable them to be moved to sidings or terminals; operate a motor vehicle; keep records and prepare reports; and perform related work.

Some of the physical activities performed by Road Car Inspectors and the environmental conditions they experience are working outdoors in all weather conditions, crouching under subway cars along trackways, reaching into dark spaces and making tactile inspections, making visual inspections of equipment, distinguishing colors, reading gauges and prints, using ladders to climb up to and descend from track ways, working on elevated structures, operating heavy machinery and equipment, using hand tools, hearing warnings (bell, whistle and vocal), communicating verbally with crew and passengers regarding train troubles experienced on the road, and carrying heavy tools and equipment.

(These brief descriptions do not include all of the duties of these positions.)

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## **JOB DESCRIPTION (Continued)**

**Special Working Conditions**: Car inspectors and Road Car Inspectors may be required to work various shifts, including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

#### **SALARY**

The current minimum salary for Car Inspectors is \$32.1731 per hour for a 40-hour week, increasing to \$37.8507 in the sixth year. The current salary for Road Car Inspectors is \$38.8260 per hour for a 40-hour week. These rates are 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 Maintainer's Helper Group B, in the Division of Car Equipment, and has been permanently employed in such title for not less than one year; or
- 2. Has, as a non-competitive Transit Electrical Apprentice, satisfactorily completed the 3-year Transit Electrical Apprentice program in subway car maintenance; and
- 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.)

The admission of employees who satisfactorily completed the Transit Electrical Apprentice program in subway car maintenance in the non-competitive title of Transit Electrical Apprentice is on a collateral basis pursuant to Section 52(12) of the New York Civil Service Law.

This examination is also open to employees who were appointed to an eligible title pursuant to New York 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 any MTA agency other than MTA New York City Transit.

#### REQUIREMENTS TO BE PROMOTED

From the competitive title of Maintainer's Helper - Group B: At the time of promotion, you must have completed your probationary period in the eligible title of Maintainer's Helper - Group B and you must be permanently employed in that title or your name must appear on a Preferred List for that eligible title. Additionally, you must have served permanently in the eligible title of Maintainer's Helper - Group B for at least one year. Time served prior to a break in service of more than one year will not be credited.

**From the non-competitive title of Transit Electrical Apprentice:** At the time of promotion, you must be employed at MTA New York City Transit.

**Driver License Requirement: (For Road Car Inspector promotion only**) At the time of promotion, you must have a motor vehicle driver 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. Some assignments may require a Class B Commercial Driver License.

**Medical Requirement:** Medical guidelines have been established for the position of Car Inspector. You will be examined to determine whether you can perform the essential functions of the position of Car Inspector. Medical guidelines have <u>not</u> been established for the position of Road Car Inspector. Where appropriate, a reasonable accommodation will be provided for a person with a disability to enable him or her to take the examination, and/or to perform the essential functions of these positions.

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### REQUIREMENTS TO BE PROMOTED (Continued)

**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 pre-employment 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 these safety-sensitive positions.

#### HOW TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND PAY THE APPLICATION FEE

If you believe you meet the eligibility requirements, 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. You can refer to the bottom of the last page of this 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: <a href="www.mymta.info">www.mymta.info</a> 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 email after you complete 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* and required forms 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 requesting 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. The MTA New York City Transit Exam Information Center will be closed on President's Day, Monday, February 20, 2017.

#### 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 the first date of the multiple-choice test, you may obtain a duplicate letter at the MTA New York City Transit Exam Information Center (as indicated above). A paper copy of the *Admission Letter* is your ticket for admission to the multiple-choice 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 <u>qualifying</u> multiple-choice test and a <u>competitive</u> practical skills test. You must achieve a score of at least 70% to pass the multiple-choice test and 65% to pass the practical skills test. Only those who pass the qualifying multiple-choice test will be called to take the practical skills test. Your score on the competitive practical skills test will determine 85% of your final score. Your seniority will determine the remaining 15%. You must pass the practical skills 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 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 such credit 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 basic electrical theory; electrical, mechanical, pneumatic and hydraulic devices and components; proper selection and use of tools, instruments and materials; safe, proper and efficient work practices; reading and interpreting blueprints and drawings; performing job-related calculations; keeping records and other related areas.

The practical skills test may require you to perform tasks related to the installation, testing, maintenance and repair of electrical, electronic, electro-mechanical and pneumatic systems, including the selection and use of appropriate tools, materials and measuring devices; related mechanical work; reading and interpreting technical drawings; shop math; safe work practices and procedures; 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 inside 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 identification card when you arrive to take the tests.

#### THE TEST RESULTS

If you pass the <u>qualifying</u> multiple-choice test and the <u>competitive</u> practical skills test and are marked eligible, your name will be placed in final score order 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 first date of the multiple-choice 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;
- On-the-job injury or illness caused by municipal employment where you are an officer or employee of the City;
- 3. Absence from the test within one week following the death of a spouse, domestic partner, parent, sibling, child or child of a domestic partner where you are an officer or employee of the City;
- 4. Absence due to ordered military duty;
- 5. A clear error for which MTA New York City Transit is responsible; or
- 6. A temporary disability, pregnancy-related, or child-birth-related condition preventing you from taking the test.

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 within 60 days following termination of your 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 first scheduled test date.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Change of Contact Information: It is critical that you keep your employee contact information (telephone number, mailing address and/or email address) current with MTA New York City Transit. You may miss important information about your exam(s) or consideration for promotion, 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 should be made through the MTA Business Service Center (BSC) via the employee portal at <a href="https://www.mymta.info">www.mymta.info</a>.

All correspondence, including the submission of your Application, must be sent to the following address:

Promotion to Car Inspector, Exam No. 8715 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.

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 and copies are available in the MTA New York City Transit, Exam Information Center, 180 Livingston Street (Lobby), Brooklyn, NY 11201.

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