New York City Transit

# **Notice of Examination**

## Structure Maintainer - Group C ((Ironworker)), Exam # 8605

This Notice of Examination was amended on April 25, 2018 to change the Test Date.

## **Application Deadline**

December 26, 2017

## Types of Tests:

Multiple-Choice and Practical Skills

Application Fee: \$68.00

**Test Date:** (subject to change) Starting on May 1, 2018

## JOB DESCRIPTION

Structure Maintainers – Group C, under supervision, perform ironwork on subway, surface and elevated structures, including stations, enclosures and related buildings; perform other structural work as necessary including incidental painting; perform shoring, welding, burning, rigging, high-strength bolting and rivet removal on steel columns, girders, stairways, gratings and station controls; perform electric welding, brazing, acetylene cutting, and sheet metal work on bodies of multiple-unit railcars, including repair and alteration of framing, sheeting and other railcar body components; load, unload and drive trucks and vans; and perform related work.

Some of the physical activities performed by Structure Maintainers – Group C and environmental conditions they experience are: working on or near tracks where live high-voltage equipment is present, climbing and descending ladders, working on elevated structures at heights of up to 160 feet and in confined spaces, reaching into dark spaces and making tactile inspections, walking along trackways and catwalks in dimly lit areas, hearing and responding to warning whistles and sounds of oncoming trains, crawling under subway cars in maintenance pits, working outdoors in all weather conditions, and operating heavy machinery.

**Special Working Conditions:** Structures Maintainers - Group C may be required to work various shifts including nights, Saturday, Sundays and holidays.

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

## SALARY AND BENEFITS

The current minimum salary is \$30.0609 per hour with increments to \$35.3657 per hour in the sixth year for a 40-hour work week. These rates are subject to change. The benefits of this position include, but are not limited to, night and weekend salary differentials, paid holidays, vacations, sick leave, a comprehensive medical plan, and a pension plan.

## HOW TO QUALIFY

Education and Experience Requirements: By the last day of the Application Period you must meet the requirements in "1" or "2" below:

- 1. Three years of satisfactory full-time experience as a journey-level ironworker (i.e. fully-trained, proficient, knowledgeable, experienced, and competent in performing ironwork). For the above journey-level experience to be credited, **it must be preceded by** one of the following:
  - a. Two years of satisfactory full-time experience as a helper or trainee performing or assisting in the work described above; or
  - b. Graduation from a vocational high school with a major course of study in ironwork or a closely related field; or
  - c. Graduation from a trade school or technical school with a major course of study in ironwork, or a closely related field, totaling 600 hours; or
  - d. An associate degree or higher in ironwork or a closely related field; or

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#### Education and Experience Requirements: (Continued from previous page)

2. Completion of a four-year, full-time apprenticeship in the ironwork trade conducted or sponsored by a recognized trade union or recognized industry association or group.

High school, trade school or technical school education must be approved by a State's Department of Education or a recognized accrediting organization. College education must be from an accredited college or university, 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).

You may be given the test before we review your qualifications. You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the qualification requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If you are marked "Not Qualified," your application fee will **not** be returned and you will **not** receive a score.

#### **REQUIREMENTS TO BE APPOINTED**

**Driver License Requirement:** At the time of appointment, you must possess 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, license suspension or an accident record you may be disqualified. This license must be maintained for the duration of your employment in this title.

**Medical Requirement:** Medical guidelines have been established for the position of Structure Maintainer – Group C. 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 appointed, and if appointed, 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 for a previous Federal DOT-regulated employer in the last three (3) years, or on a pre-employment drug or alcohol test for any employer in the last two (2) years, you must have completed the Substance Abuse Professional (SAP) evaluation, referral and education treatment process required by federal law prior to appointment to this safety-sensitive position.

Residency: New York City residency is not required for this position.

**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 right to obtain employment in the United States prior to employment with MTA New York City Transit.

#### HOW TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION

During the application period, you may obtain an *Application* and any other required forms for this examination online at <a href="http://mta.info/nyct/hr/appexam.htm">http://mta.info/nyct/hr/appexam.htm</a> or in person at the MTA New York City Transit Exam Information Center as indicated below.

**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 the G train to the Hoyt Street Station. The MTA New York City Transit Exam Information Center will be closed on December 25, 2017.

#### **REQUIRED FORMS**

**Application:** Make sure that you follow all instructions included with your *Application*, including payment of fee. Save a copy of the instructions for future reference.

**Education and Experience Test Paper:** Write your social security number in the box at the top of the cover page, and the examination title and number in the box provided. This form must be filled out completely and in detail for you to receive your proper rating. Keep a copy of your completed Education and Experience Test Paper for your records.

**Foreign Education Fact Sheet (required only if you need credit for your foreign education for 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, as well as instructions on how to submit this evaluation are listed in the *Foreign Education Fact Sheet* included with your application packet. When you contact the evaluation service, ask for a "document-by-document" (general) evaluation of your foreign education.

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

If you believe you meet the requirements in the "How to Qualify" section, you <u>must</u> apply by mail. MTA New York City Transit will <u>not</u> accept applications in person.

#### Applications by Mail must:

- 1. Include all the required forms, as indicated in the "Required Forms" section above.
- 2. Be postmarked by the last day of the application period.
- 3. Be mailed to the address in the "Correspondence" section of this notice.
- 4. Include the appropriate fee in the form of a money order.

#### The Money Order (Postal Money Order Preferred) must:

- 1. Be made payable to MTA New York City Transit.
- 2. Be valid for one year.
- 3. Have the following information written on it: your name, home address, the last four digits of your social security number, and the exam title and exam number.

Save your money order receipt for future reference and proof of filing an Application.

#### Cash and personal checks will <u>not</u> be accepted.

**Application Fee:** This fee is generally non-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 one. 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.

## 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 above 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 how to request an application fee waiver is available with the *Application*.

## ADMISSION LETTER OR NOT QUALIFIED LETTER

An *Admission Letter* or *Not Qualified Letter* will be mailed to you about 10 days before the first date of the tests. If you are qualified and do not receive an *Admission Letter* at least 4 days before the first date of testing, 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 tests.

#### THE TEST

You will be given a <u>qualifying</u> multiple-choice test and a <u>competitive</u> practical skills test. A score of at least 70% is required to pass both the multiple-choice test and the practical skills test. Your score on the practical skills test will be used to determine your place on the eligible list.

The multiple-choice test may include questions on the fabrication and repair of structural and ornamental ironwork; operating machines and tools of the ironwork trade; burning, rigging, welding; reading sketches, drawings and prints; safety procedures and other related areas.

The practical skills test may measure your ability to perform layout according to specifications on a drawing; use tools to perform structural work, including welding, burning, rigging, high-strength bolting and rivet removal on steel components of structures; and climb a ladder to an elevated platform.

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.

## **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 <u>not</u> permitted. Electronic devices with an alphabetic keyboard, word processing, or data recording capabilities, such as planners, organizers, etc., are prohibited. If you use any of these devices in the testing site building at any time before, during, or after the practical skills test, you may <u>not</u> receive your test results, your test score may be nullified, and your application fee will <u>not</u> 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 practical skills 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.

Required Identification: You are required to bring one (1) form of valid (non-expired) signature and photo bearing identification to the test site. The name that was used to apply for the exam must match the first and last name on the photo ID. A list of acceptable identification documents is provided below. If you do not have an acceptable ID, you may be denied testing. Acceptable forms of identification (bring one) are as follows: State issued driver's license, State issued identification card, US Government issued Passport, US Government issued Military Identification Card, US Government issued Alien Registration Card, Employer ID with photo, or Student ID with photo.

#### THE TEST RESULTS

If you meet the education and experience requirements and pass the qualifying multiple-choice test and the competitive practical skills test, 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 the requirements and conditions, you will be considered for appointment when your name is reached on the eligible list.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Selective Certification for New York City Welder License**: If you have a New York City welder license, a New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) 3G and 4G welder certification, or an American Welding Society (AWS) D1.1 Certification, you may be considered for appointment to a position through a process called Selective Certification. If you qualify for Selective Certification, you may be given preferred consideration for a position that requires this certification. Follow the instructions given to you on page 7 of the Education and Experience Test Paper form to indicate your interest in such Selective Certification.

If you are appointed to a position through Selective Certification based on having a welder <u>certification</u>, you must obtain a New York City welder <u>license</u> within twelve months of your date of appointment and it must be maintained for the duration of your employment. If you meet the requirements for Selective Certification after the close of the filing period but before the eligible list expires, you may request to be included on future Selective Certifications. In such instances, you are required to notify MTA New York City Transit as indicated in the Correspondence Section below.

#### SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS

**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.

**Make-Up Test:** You may apply for a make-up test if you cannot take the tests on your scheduled 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 such applicant is 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 make the request within 90 days following termination of your military duty.

## 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. To update your contact information with MTA New York City Transit, you must submit a change request by mail. Your request must include your full name, social security number, exam title(s), exam number(s), and your old and new mailing and/or email address. If you are a current MTA New York City Transit employee, all changes to your employee contact information <u>must</u> be made through the MTA Business Service Center (BSC) via the employee portal at <u>http://www.mymta.info</u>.

All correspondence must be sent to the following address:

Structure Maintainer – Group C, Exam # 8605 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 appointment, and may result in criminal prosecution.

The General Examination Regulations of the Department of Citywide Administrative Services apply to this examination and are part of this Notice of Examination. Copies are available at the MTA New York City Transit Exam Information Center, 180 Livingston Street (Lobby), Brooklyn, NY 11201.