NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

PROMOTION TO MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR (TELEPHONES)
Exam. No. 8558
New York City Transit Authority

WHEN TO APPLY: From: September 3, 2008
To: September 23, 2008
APPLICATION FEE: $60.00
Payable by Mail by money order to D.C.A.S. (EXAMS) or
Payable online by credit card, bank card or debit card.

THE TEST DATE: The multiple-choice test is expected to be held on Saturday, December 20, 2008.

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES: Maintenance Supervisors (Telephones) work in the Department of Subways, Electronics Maintenance Division, and perform supervisory work of varying degrees of difficulty and responsibility involving the maintenance, service and repair of the Transit Authority’s railroad telephone and other communications systems equipment. At Assignment Level I, under general supervision, they supervise staff engaged in the maintenance, installation, inspection, testing, alteration, and repair of telephones, carrier lines, fiber-optic networks, telephone switches, key equipment, public address systems and intercoms, amplifier equipment, clocks, cables, and emergency, theft and fire alarms and related equipment along underground and elevated trainways, in yards and on other railroad property; keep records; prepare reports; operate motor vehicles; and perform related work.

Some of the physical activities performed by Maintenance Supervisors (Telephones) and environmental conditions experienced are: climbing on and off tracks through manholes; stepping over rails and moving off trainways when trains approach; working in dimly lit areas; differentiating signals of different colors and color-coded electrical wires; communicating with co-workers; hearing the sound of approaching trains; carrying tools and heavy equipment.

Special Working Conditions: Maintenance Supervisor (Telephones) may be required to work rotating shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

(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 $66,435.00 per annum. This rate is subject to change. There are two assignment levels within this class of positions. Promotions will be made to Assignment Level I. After promotion employees may be assigned to the higher assignment level at the discretion of the agency.

HOW TO APPLY: If you believe you are eligible to take this examination, there are two ways to apply for this examination:

1. Online at the DCAS WEBSITE: If you wish to apply online, go to the Online application System (OASys) at www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs and follow the onscreen application instructions for electronically submitting your application and completing any required forms. The following methods of payment are acceptable: major credit card, bank card associated with a bank account, or prepaid debit card which you may purchase online or at various retail outlets.

2. By mail: refer to the "Required Form" section below for the form that you must fill out. Return the completed form and the application fee to DCAS Application Unit, 1 Centre Street, 14th floor, New York, NY 10007 by mail only. DCAS will not accept applications in person from candidates.

ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE EXAMINATION: This examination is open to each employee of the New York City Transit Authority 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 Telephone Maintainer; and

2. 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.)
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. You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the eligibility requirements for this examination prior to submitting the application. If you are marked “Not Eligible,” your application fee will not be refunded and you will not receive a score.

ELIGIBILITY TO BE PROMOTED:
At the time of promotion, you must have completed your probationary period in the eligible title of Telephone Maintainer, and you must be permanently employed in that eligible title or your name must appear on a Preferred List for that eligible title.

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

REQUIREMENT TO BE PROMOTED:

Driver License Requirement: At the time of promotion, you must have a motor vehicle driver license valid in the State of New York. If you have moving violations, license suspension or an accident record, you may be disqualified. This license must be maintained for the duration of your employment. Such license must not include any restrictions which would preclude the performance of Maintenance Supervisor (Telephones) duties.

Medical Requirement: Medical guidelines have been established for the position of Maintenance Supervisor (Telephones). You will be examined to determine whether you can perform the essential functions of the position of Maintenance Supervisor (Telephones). 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 the job.

Drug Screening Requirement: You must pass a drug screening in order to be promoted.

THE TEST: You will be given a multiple-choice test. A score of at least 70% is required to pass this 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, permanent, continuous service with an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services in competitive class 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.

The multiple-choice test may include questions on the maintenance, installation, inspection, testing, alteration and repair of telephones, fiber-optic networks, cables, telephone switches, key equipment, public address systems and intercoms, amplifiers, clocks, alarms and related equipment; tools and equipment; the supervision of subordinate staff; safe work procedures and practices; the interpretation of drawings and schematics; job-related calculations; record-keeping and report writing; Transit Rules and Regulations; and other related areas.

ADMISSION CARD: You should receive an Admission Card in the mail about 10 days before the date of the test. If you do not receive an Admission Card at least 4 days before the test date, you must go to the Examining service section, 1 Centre Street, 14th floor, New York, NY 10007, to obtain a duplicate card.

THE TEST RESULTS: If you pass the multiple-choice 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 or more of the following conditions:

1. you are absent from work for at least one-half of the application period and cannot 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 multiple-choice test.

Special Test Accommodations: If you plan to request special testing accommodations due to disability or an alternate test date due to your religious belief, and are applying:

1. online, follow the onscreen instructions; or
2. by mail, follow the instructions included with the “Application for Examination.”
**Make-up Test:** You may apply for a make-up test if you cannot take the test on the regular 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;
3. absence for one week following the death of a spouse, domestic partner, parent, sibling child or child of a domestic partner;
4. absence due to ordered military duty; or
5. a clear error for which the Department of Citywide administrative Services or the examining agency is responsible.

To request a make-up test contact the Examining Service Section, 1 Centre Street, 14th floor, New York, NY 10007, in person or by certified mail as soon as possible and provide documentation of the special circumstances.