



Citywide Administrative Services

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NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

RADIO REPAIR MECHANIC

Exam No. 0119

WHEN TO APPLY: From: August 9, 2019

APPLICATION FEE: \$101.00

To: August 29, 2019

If you choose to pay the application fee with a credit/debit/gift card, you will be charged a fee of 2.00% of the payment amount. This fee is nonrefundable.

THE TEST DATE: Multiple-choice testing is expected to begin on Friday, November 1, 2019.

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

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES:

Radio Repair Mechanics, under supervision, install, repair, align, maintain, service and/or tune the following: radio, radar, microwave, multiplex, television and electronic apparatus and appurtenances of the City's communication systems; land, mobile and marine radio receivers and transmitters, including analog and digital UHF and VHF equipment; radio power systems; radio antenna systems; miniature radio receivers and transmitters; audio amplifiers and public address systems including related telephone intercom, program timer and/or clock systems; television cameras, closed circuit cameras, receivers and antennas; radar systems; electronic test equipment; multiplex equipment; digital sound recorders; magnetic tape recorders; and other electronic devices. Radio Repair Mechanics locate and isolate defects in, and adjust, align, or tune electronic equipment; repair, replace, and troubleshoot defective parts; install electronic units and associated electrical elements, including the mounting of radios; keep records and make reports; and operate a motor vehicle. All Radio Repair Mechanics perform related work.

Special Working Conditions:

Radio Repair Mechanics may be required to work various shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

Some of the physical activities performed by Radio Repair Mechanics and environmental conditions experienced are: climbing ladders; climbing stairs; lifting and carrying heavy tools, batteries, radio cabinets, radio racks, and other equipment; climbing on top of, crawling beneath and working within various types of vehicles to install, repair and remove communications equipment and systems; may be required to work in adverse weather conditions including extreme temperatures, confined areas, noisy locations, and dirty environments.

(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 \$48.95 per hour, for a 40-hour work week. This rate is subject to change.

HOW TO QUALIFY:

You may be given the test before we verify your qualifications. You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the education and experience requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If you are found "Not Qualified," your application fee will not be refunded and you will not receive an Admission Notice or score.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Five years of full-time satisfactory experience as a radio repair mechanic or as an electronic technician repairing electronic equipment; **or**
2. At least three years of experience as described in "1" above, plus sufficient full-time training of a relevant nature, specializing in electronics, acquired in an approved trade school, technical school or vocational high school, to make up the equivalent of the remaining required experience. Six months of acceptable experience will be credited for each year of full-time training of a relevant nature, specializing in electronics, at an approved trade school, technical school, or vocational high school.

The education requirement must be met by January 31, 2020. The experience requirement must be met by the last day of the Application Period (August 27, 2019).

The trade school, technical school or vocational high school must be approved by a State's Department of Education or a recognized accrediting organization.

READ CAREFULLY AND SAVE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

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.

You have until midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (August 27, 2019) to clearly specify in detail all of your relevant education and experience on your Education and Experience Test and submit it in the Online Application System (OASys). Once you submit your Education and Experience Test in OASys, you will not be permitted to submit new or additional information about your education and/or experience online.

You may be given the test before we verify your qualifications. You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the education and experience requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If you are found "Not Qualified," your application fee will not be refunded and you will not receive an Admission Notice or score.

Driver License Requirement: At the time of appointment, you must possess a motor vehicle driver license valid in the State of New York. If you have moving violations, license suspension(s) or an accident record, you may be disqualified. This license must be maintained for the duration of your employment.

License Requirement:

For appointment to certain positions, possession of a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) General Radiotelephone Operator's License, with a radar endorsement, is required.

Residency Requirement Advisory: 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 your right to obtain employment in the United States prior to employment with an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services.

HOW TO APPLY:

If you believe you meet the requirements in the "How to Qualify" section, apply using the Online Application System (OASys) at www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs. Follow the onscreen application instructions for electronically submitting your application and payment and completing any required information. A unique and valid email address is required to apply online. Several internet service providers, including but not limited to Google, Yahoo!, AOL, Outlook.com, and Mail.com offer free email addresses. **All new OASys accounts require verification before a candidate can apply to ensure the accuracy of candidate information. Verification is instantaneous for most accounts and you will receive a confirmation email with instructions to activate your account. For any account creation issues, you will receive onscreen prompts to contact DCAS. This review may require up to two (2) business days to be reviewed and resolved. Please keep this information and the application period deadline in mind when creating your account.**

The following methods of payment are acceptable: major credit card, bank card associated with a bank account, or a prepaid debit card with a credit card logo which you may purchase online or at various retail outlets. If you are receiving or participating in certain forms of public assistance/benefits/programs, or are a veteran, you may qualify to have the application fee waived. For more information on eligibility for a fee waiver and documentation requirements visit the Fee Waiver FAQ on the Online Application System at: <https://a856-exams.nyc.gov/OASysWeb/Home/Faq>

You may come to the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers to apply for this examination online. The centers will be open Monday through Saturday 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

Special Circumstances Guide: This guide is located on the DCAS website at www.nyc.gov/html/dcas/downloads/pdf/misc/pdf_c_special_circumstances_guide.pdf and available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers. This guide gives important information about requesting an alternate test date because of religious observance or a special test accommodation for disability, claiming Veterans' or Legacy credit, and notifying DCAS of a change in your mailing address. Follow all instructions on the Special Circumstances Guide that pertain to you when you complete your "Application for Examination."

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

- 1. 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.
- 2. Education and Experience Test:** Fill out all the required sections displayed onscreen (if applicable). You will have until midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (August 27, 2019) to clearly specify in detail all of your relevant education and experience on your Education and Experience Test and submit it in the Online Application System (OASys).
- 3. Foreign Education Evaluation Guide: (Required only if you need credit for your foreign education to meet the education and experience requirements):** 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 are listed on the Foreign Education Evaluation Guide which is located on the DCAS website at www.nyc.gov/html/dcas/downloads/pdf/misc/foreigneducation.pdf. When you contact the evaluation service, ask for a "**document-by-document**" (**general**) evaluation of your foreign education. You must have one of these services submit its evaluation of your foreign education directly to the Department of Citywide Administrative Services no later than eight weeks from January 31, 2020.

THE TEST:

The multiple-choice test will be given at a computer terminal. Your score on this test will be used to determine your place on an eligible list. You must achieve a score of at least 70% to pass the test.

The multiple-choice test is designed to assess the extent to which candidates have certain knowledge and abilities determined to be important to the performance of the tasks of a Radio Repair Mechanic. Task areas to be tested are as follows: repairing radios, televisions, etc. by diagnosing, troubleshooting and correcting problems either by mechanical means, electronic test equipment or computerized test equipment; adjusting, aligning and tuning radios, televisions, etc. by using computer devices, mechanical tools, signal generators, etc.; and testing antennas by using instruments such as SWR meters, watt meters, ohm meters.

The test may include questions on the knowledge of: electrical safety procedures and other related safety procedures such as lifting and climbing procedures; reading and interpreting diagrams and schematics; reading and understanding manuals and procedures; recognizing physical hazards such as weather situations, electrical hazards, etc.; assuring that equipment, after repair, performs within the required specifications and tolerances; FCC rules and regulations and applicable codes and standards; electrical and electronic principles; and other related areas.

The test may also include questions requiring the use of any of the following abilities:

Written Comprehension: understanding written sentences and paragraphs. Example: A Radio Repair Mechanic may use this ability when reading and interpreting schematics.

Written Expression: using English words or sentences in writing so that others will understand. Example: A Radio Repair Mechanic may use this ability when keeping records such as logs or inspection reports.

Problem Sensitivity: being able to tell when something is wrong or is likely to go wrong. It includes being able to identify the whole problem as well as elements of the problem. Example: A Radio Repair Mechanic may use this ability when recognizing physical hazards such as weather situations or electrical hazards.

Mathematical Reasoning: understanding and organizing a problem and then selecting a mathematical method or formula to solve the problem. It encompasses reasoning through mathematical problems to determine appropriate operations that can be performed to solve problems. Example: A Radio Repair Mechanic may use this ability when performing mathematical calculations related to interference, acoustic problems, and component values.

Deductive Reasoning: applying general rules to specific problems and coming up with logical answers. It involves deciding if an answer makes sense. Example: A Radio Repair Mechanic may use this ability when reading and understanding manuals and procedures.

Inductive Reasoning: combining separate pieces of information, or specific answers to problems, to form general rules or conclusions. It involves the ability to think of possible reasons for why things go together. Example: A Radio Repair Mechanic may use this ability when surveying the job and ordering the proper materials such as speakers, mics, guy wires and turn buckles.

Information Ordering: following correctly a rule or set of rules or actions in a certain order. The rule or set of rules used must be given. The things or actions to be put in order can include numbers, letters, words, pictures, procedures, sentences, and mathematical or logical operations. Example: A Radio Repair Mechanic may use this ability when applying electrical safety procedures.

Spatial Orientation: determining where you are in relation to the location of some object or where the object is in relation to you. Example: A Radio Repair Mechanic may use this ability when making diagrams such as electrical and wiring allocation.

Visualization: imagining how something would look when it is moved around or when its parts are moved or rearranged. It requires the forming of mental images of how patterns or objects would look after certain changes, such as unfolding or rotation. One has to predict how an object, set of objects, or pattern will appear after the changes have been carried out. Example: A Radio Repair Mechanic may use this ability when adjusting, aligning or tuning radios, televisions, etc. by using computer devices and software, mechanical tools, signal generators and spectra analyzers.

Certain questions may need to be answered on the basis of documents or other information supplied to the candidates on the date of the multiple-choice exam.

EXAM SITE ADMISSION:

Exam Site Admission: You will be sent an Admission Notice in the mail 14 days before the date on which testing is expected to begin. Your Admission Notice will also be available on your Dashboard in the Online Application System (OASys) account 7 days before the date on which testing is expected to begin. If you access the Admission Notice from your Dashboard in OASys, you must print it out and bring it with you to the test site; displaying your Admission Notice using any of the prohibited electronic devices referenced in the "Warning" section below will not be permitted. You can also obtain a duplicate Admission Notice in person Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Test site assignments will take your address into consideration but, nearness to your address cannot be guaranteed.

Warning: You are not permitted to enter the test site with electronic devices including, but not limited to, cellular phones, smart watches, recording devices, beepers, pagers, cameras, or portable media players. You are not permitted to use any type of headphones or ear buds. Calculators are permitted; however, they must be hand-held, battery or solar powered, and 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 anywhere at any test site, whether in the testing area, restroom, hallway, or other location, at any time before, during or after the test or Protest Review Session, your test score will be nullified, you will be disqualified from taking any civil service tests for up to five years, 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 a Computer-based Testing & Applications Center while you are taking the test.

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, City or State issued identification card, IDNYC, 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.

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.

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

It is critical that you promptly notify DCAS of any change to your mailing address, email address and/or phone number. If we do not have your correct mailing address, email address and/or phone number, you will not receive information about your exam(s), consideration for appointment and/or important information that may require a response by a specified deadline. If you need to update your Mailing Address, Email Address, and/or Telephone Number, read below:

- City Employees - update this information in NYCAPS Employee Service (ESS) at www.nyc.gov/ess
- All Others - update this information on your Profile page in the Online Application System (OASys) by logging into your OASys account and navigating to your Dashboard, then your Profile tab at www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs
- Submit a written request in-person or by mail: DCAS, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007 or brought in person to the same address Monday through Friday from 9AM to 5PM. Your written request must include your full name, social security number, exam title(s), exam number(s), previous mailing and/or email address, and your new mailing and/or email address.

CHANGE OF NAME AND/OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:

Use the Data Correction Form and follow all instructions for changing your name and/or social security number with DCAS. The following link will provide you with the DCAS Data Correction Form: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/dp148a.pdf>.

THE TEST RESULTS:

If you meet the education and experience requirements and pass the multiple-choice 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 requirements and conditions, you will be considered for appointment when your name is reached on the eligible list. Once a list has been established, it will typically remain active for four years. To learn more about the civil service system, go to

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dcas/employment/civil-service-system.page>

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS:

Make-up Test:

You may apply for a make-up test if you cannot take the test on the regular test date(s) 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 the City;
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 where you are an officer or employee of the City;
4. absence due to ordered military duty;
5. a clear error for which the Department of Citywide Administrative Services or the examining agency 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, contact Administration, Customer, and Exam Support in person or by mail at 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007, or by email at testingaccommodations@dcas.nyc.gov, as soon as possible, and include documentation of the special circumstances that caused you to miss your test.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Selective Certification for Federal Communications Commission (FCC) General Radiotelephone Operator's License: If you have a **Federal Communications Commission (FCC) General Radiotelephone Operator's License**, you may be considered for appointment to positions requiring this license through a process called Selective Certification. If you qualify for Selective Certification, you may be given preferred consideration for positions requiring this license. Follow the instructions given to you on the day of the multiple-choice test to indicate your interest in such Selective Certification. Your license will be checked by the appointing agency at the time of appointment. **This license must be maintained for the duration of your employment.** This requirement may be met at any time during the duration of the list. If you meet the Selective Certification requirement at some future date, please submit a request by mail to: DCAS Bureau of Examinations - Exam Development Group, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Please include the examination title and number, your social security number, and "FCC" on your correspondence.

Application Receipt:

You will be emailed a receipt immediately after you have applied for the examination. If you do not receive this receipt, check "Junk", "Trash", or "Spam" folder for the primary email linked to your Online Application System (OASys) account. If you are unable to locate the email, you can view a summary of the notification email to you on your OASys Dashboard, then Notifications. If you are still unable to find the email, please email DCAS via the Contact feature available in OASys with a description of the issue and include the exam number and your profile number located on your Profile page. While on your Profile page, check that the email addresses you provided are correct and/or updated.

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 (DCAS) apply to this examination and are part of this Notice of Examination. They are posted at nyc.gov/dcas and copies are available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers.

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Internet: nyc.gov/dcas**