NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE MARKET AGENT

Exam. No.  5531

WHEN TO APPLY:  
From: January 4, 2006  
To: January 24, 2006

APPLICATION FEE:  $40.00
Payable only by money order to D.C.A.S. (EXAMS)

THE TEST DATE:  The multiple-choice test is expected to be held on Saturday, April 29, 2006.

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES:  
Associate Market Agents, under general supervision, with considerable latitude for independent action or decision, are responsible for the supervision of Market Agents and other staff and the overall inspection of the markets and surrounding areas. All Associate Market Agents perform related work.

Special Working Conditions:  
Associate Market Agents will be required to work 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 $36,390 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, refer to the "Required Forms" section below for the form(s) that you must fill out. Return all completed form(s) and the application fee to DCAS Applications Section, 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 an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services 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 Market Agent; 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 agency's personnel office. 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:  
In order to be eligible for promotion, you must have completed your probationary period in the eligible title as indicated in the above "Eligibility To Take Examination" section, and you must be permanently employed in the eligible title or your name must appear on a Preferred List for the eligible title at the time of promotion. Additionally, you must have served permanently in the eligible title for at least one year.

Special Patrolman Requirement:  
At the time of promotion to this position, you must qualify for deputization as Special Patrolman by the New York City Police Department, as specified in Title 38, Chapter 13 of the Rules of the City of New York. To qualify for this deputization, you must be of good character and have no record of convictions for any felony or for any serious offense against public safety, as defined in the New York State Penal Law. If discharged from military service, the discharge must not have been "dishonorable." Additionally, you must be at least 21 years of age, and you must be a U.S. citizen and a resident of the City of New York. Failure to receive this deputization will result in your termination. Once you receive your deputization, it must be maintained for the duration of your employment.

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Driver License Requirement: By the time you are promoted to this position, you must have 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.

REQUIRED FORM(S):
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.

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 1/2 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 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 laws, policies, procedures, rules and regulations related to public safety, enforcement and inspection of wholesale markets and surrounding areas; investigation, inspection and enforcement techniques; written expression; supervisory abilities including staff training, planning, coordinating, assigning, monitoring, reviewing, evaluating, consulting and organizing; standards of proper employee ethical conduct, including the provisions of Mayor's Executive Order No. 16 of 1978 as amended; 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, Manhattan, 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 your agency’s personnel office 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, 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.