

BUILDING MAINTENANCE MECHANIC
EXAM #64-457 (OC)

SEPTEMBER 14, 2010
APPLICATION DEADLINE DATE

OCTOBER 30, 2010
EXAMINATION DATE

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED OR POSTMARKED BY APPLICATION DEADLINE DATE
A NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERABLE PROCESSING FEE
MUST ACCOMPANY EACH APPLICATION
\$15.00 MONEY ORDER ONLY -- PAYABLE TO ONEIDA COUNTY

STARTING SALARY/RANGE: \$31,509 Whitesboro Central School District
\$24,927 Oneida County Government
Other Civil Divisions May Vary

VACANCIES: There is currently one (1) vacancy at Whitesboro Central School District, Whitesboro, NY, and there is currently one (1) vacancy at the Oneida County Department of Public Works, Oriskany, NY. **The eligible list, established as a result of this examination, will be used to fill these vacancies and any other appropriate vacancies which may occur in this title under the jurisdiction of the Oneida County Commissioner of Personnel.**

ELIGIBLE LIST: A department promotion examination for this title for the Oneida County Department of Public Works will be held at the same time as the open competitive examination. The eligible list, resulting from this promotion examination, will be used first for the Oneida County Department of Public Works, as mandated by State Law.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT: NONE

When preference in certification is given to residents of a municipality pursuant to subdivision 4-a of Section 23 of the Civil Service Law, an eligible must have been a resident of such municipality for at least one month prior to the date of certification in order to be included in a certification as a resident of such municipality and must be a resident of such municipality at the time of appointment.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Two (2) years of experience in either building construction or building trades work in one or more of the standard trades such as carpentry, plumbing or electrical work.

NOTE:

1. Applicants must meet the minimum qualifications on or before the date of the examination.
2. Verifiable part-time experience as described above will be pro-rated toward meeting full-time experience requirements.

DUTIES: This position involves a variety of building maintenance and repair tasks of a skilled or semiskilled nature. Employees in this class are required to work in various mechanical trades as the occasion demands. The incumbent performs related work as required.

SUBJECTS OF EXAMINATION: There will be a written test which you must pass in order to be considered for appointment. The written test will be designed to test for knowledge, skills, and/or abilities in such areas as:

1. **Building Maintenance and Repair** –These questions test for knowledge of the basic principles, practices and techniques essential to the proper maintenance and repair of various types of buildings, including such areas as building maintenance, preventive maintenance, and minor repair of building structures, electrical, and plumbing systems. This may include maintenance and repair of roofs, windows, walls, floors, millwork, insulation, masonry, pipes and valves, electrical wiring and switches, and painting. Questions may also include topics such as the proper tools and materials used in building maintenance and repair work as well as proper and safe practices and techniques when using these tools and materials.
2. **Building Trades, Including Mechanical and Electrical** –These questions test for knowledge of the principles and practices involved in overseeing physical plant facilities and may include such areas as maintenance and repair activities involving carpentry, electrical systems, plumbing and sanitary systems, heating and ventilating systems, painting, masonry work, roofing, and similar types of physical plant maintenance and upkeep.
3. **Tools and their Uses** –These questions test for knowledge of the various types of tools used in building maintenance and repair work, including the proper use of these tools.

4. **Operation and Maintenance of Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning Systems** -These questions test for knowledge of basic principles, practices and techniques essential to the correct operation and maintenance of heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems, including such areas as air supply and exhaust systems, circulating fan capacities, building ventilation requirements, steam, hot water, and hot air heating systems; boiler operation; the refrigeration cycle, types and characteristics of refrigerants, troubleshooting air-conditioning system problems, and proper maintenance of air-conditioning systems.

CALCULATORS ARE ALLOWED: Unless specifically prohibited, candidates are permitted to use QUIET, hand-held, solar- or battery-powered calculators ONLY. Devices with typewriter keyboards, such as cell phones, computers or devices which can be hooked up to a computer, spell-checkers, personal digital assistants, address books, language translators, dictionaries and any similar devices are **PROHIBITED**.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR MULTIPLE CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS SCHEDULED ON THE SAME DATE

If you have applied for other civil service exams in another jurisdiction (state, county, city) scheduled on the same date, **YOU** must make arrangements to take all the exams at one test site.

Please contact the Oneida County Department of Personnel at **315-798-5726** **AND** submit a completed **CROSS-FILER NOTIFICATION** form to our office at least two weeks prior to the test date.

If you have applied for a State exam, **YOU MUST** also make arrangements to take all exam titles at the State Exam site by calling **518-457-7022** two weeks prior to the test date

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. **APPLICATIONS:** Unless otherwise indicated on this announcement, the candidate will complete one "Oneida County Application for Employment" form for each examination he/she wishes to take. **NO COPIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Applicants must answer every question on the application form, and make sure that the application is complete in all respects. **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE DISAPPROVED.** All applications shall be filed with the Oneida County Dept. of Personnel. This office reserves the right to reject all applications received after the last filing date.
2. **ADDRESS CHANGE:** Failure to notify this office of a change of address may result in disqualification for examination or certification for appointment following examination. No attempt will be made to locate candidates who have moved.
3. **RELIGIOUS ACCOMMODATIONS/DISABLED PERSONS/MILITARY MEMBERS:** Please indicate on your application if special arrangements for testing are needed. Military Services Members: See instructions and information E on application.
4. **ALTERNATE TEST DATES:** In certain circumstances that fall under the Alternate Test Date Policy established by this department, an alternate test date may be arranged.
5. **EMERGENCIES:** If an emergency prevents you from appearing for the examination please notify this office no later than 10:00 AM on the Monday following the test date. (Tuesday, if Monday is a holiday), providing verifiable documentation of the reason.
6. **VETERANS:** See instructions and information F on application.
7. **ADMISSION NOTICE:** See instructions and information C on application. **IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED YOUR ADMISSION NOTICE THREE DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE WRITTEN OR PERFORMANCE TEST, NOTIFY THIS OFFICE IMMEDIATELY.**
8. **ELIGIBLE LISTS:** Appointments from an eligible list must be made from the top three candidates willing to accept appointment. The duration of an eligible list may be fixed for a minimum period of one (1) year and a maximum period of four (4) years. Changing conditions may make it advisable to certify to future vacancies at higher or lower salaries than those announced.
9. **COLLEGE DEGREE/CREDIT:** If your degree and/or college credit was awarded by an educational institution outside of the United States and its territories, you must provide independent verification of equivalency. A list of acceptable companies providing this service may be obtained in person from the Oneida County Department of Personnel, by mail (include a self-addressed, stamped envelope) OR on the New York State Department of Civil Service web site: www.cs.state.ny.us/jobseeker/degrees.cfm . You will be responsible for the required evaluation fee.

10. Federal and State Law prohibit discrimination because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, disability, marital status or genetic predisposition or carrier status.

11. This examination is being prepared and rated in accordance with section 23(2) of the Civil Service Law. The provisions of the New York State Civil Service Law, Rules, and Regulations dealing with the preparation and rating of examinations, as well as establishment and certification of eligible lists for positions in the classified service will apply to this examination.

12. **ADDITIONAL CREDIT:** In conformance with section 85-a of the Civil Service Law, **children of firefighters and police officers killed in the line of duty** shall be entitled to receive an additional ten points in a competitive examination for original appointment in the same municipality in which his or her parent has served. If you are qualified to participate in this examination and are a child of a firefighter or police officer killed in the line of duty in this municipality, please inform this office of this matter when you submit your application for examination. A candidate claiming such credit has a minimum of two months from the application deadline to provide the necessary documentation to verify additional credit eligibility. However, no credit may be added after the eligible list has been established.

13. **BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION:** Applicants may be required to undergo a state and national criminal history background investigation, which will include a fingerprint check, to determine suitability for appointment. Failure to meet the standards for the background investigation may result in disqualification.

14. **APPLICATION FEE WAIVER:** A waiver of application fee will be allowed if you are unemployed and primarily responsible for the support of a household. In addition, a waiver of application fee will be allowed if you are determined eligible for Medicaid, or receiving Supplemental Security Income payments, or Public Assistance (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families/Family Assistance or Safety Net Assistance) or are certified Job Training Partnership Act/Workforce Investment Act eligible through a State or local social service agency. **All claims for application fee waiver are subject to verification. If you can verify eligibility for application fee waiver, complete a “Request for Application Fee Waiver and Certification” form and submit it with your application by the close of business on the Application Deadline as listed on the Examination Announcement. If you can not download this form by clicking on its title, the form is available at the Oneida County Department of Personnel, 800 Park Avenue, Utica, NY 13501. You may also call (315) 798-5726 or write to the Oneida County Department of Personnel to request a copy.**

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www.ocgov.net .

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