

# **Notice of Examination**

# Electronic Equipment Maintainer, Exam # 7603 AMENDED JANUARY 18, 2017

**Application Deadline** 

February 8, 2017

Application Fee: (Non-Refundable)

\$85.00

**Types of Tests:** 

Multiple-Choice & Practical Skills Tests

Test Date: (subject to change)
Saturday, March 25, 2017 or
Sunday, March 26, 2017

This Notice was amended on January 18, 2017 to re-open the filing period from February 1, 2017 to February 8, 2017. The test date has changed to March 25, 2017 or March 26, 2017. **Candidates who previously applied for this examination do not need to apply again.** 

#### JOB DESCRIPTION

Electronic Equipment Maintainers, under supervision, maintain, install, inspect, test, alter and repair electronic wireless and wired communication systems, and digital and analog control equipment and systems in the shop or in the field, including radio systems, closed circuit video equipment, and other electronic communication equipment; perform circuit testing, analysis, and fault identification; keep records; operate motor vehicles; and perform related work.

Some of the physical activities performed by Electronic Equipment Maintainers and environmental conditions they experience are: climbing ladders, distinguishing colors to troubleshoot complex equipment, accurately distinguishing shapes under poorly lit working conditions, moving out of the way of moving trains and motor vehicles, working on or near tracks having live 600-volt contact rails, walking along the track in dimly lit areas, loading and unloading vehicles and working outdoors in all weather conditions.

**Special Working Conditions:** Electronic Equipment Maintainers may be required to work various shifts, including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

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

#### **SALARY AND BENEFITS**

The current minimum salary for Electronic Equipment Maintainer is \$35.6317 per hour for a 40-hour week. This rate is subject to change. There are two assignment levels within this class of positions. Appointments will be made to Assignment Level I. After appointment, employees may be assigned to the higher assignment level at the discretion of MTA New York City Transit.

The benefits of this position include, but are not limited to, night and weekend salary differentials, paid holidays, vacation and sick leave, a comprehensive medical plan and a pension plan.

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## **HOW TO QUALIFY**

Education and Experience Requirements: By the last day of the application period you must have:

Three years of full-time journey-level satisfactory experience (i.e., you must be a fully-trained knowledgeable, experienced, proficient, and competent technician), maintaining, testing, trouble-shooting, calibrating and repairing complex electronic equipment employing analog and digital circuitry.

For the above journey-level experience to be credited, it must be preceded by one of the following:

- 1. Two years of full-time satisfactory experience as a technician, technician's helper, apprentice or trainee performing or assisting in the work described above; or
- Graduation from a trade school or technical school, with a major course of study in electrical or electronic technology, or a closely related field, totaling 600 hours; or
- 3. Graduation from a four-year vocational high school with a major course of study in electrical or electronic technology or a closely related field; or
- 4. An associate degree (sixty semester credits) in electrical or electronic technology, electrical engineering, or a closely related field from an accredited college or university.

Vocational high school, technical school or trade 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).

Qualifying part-time experience will be credited on a pro-rated basis.

You may be given the multiple-choice and practical skills tests before we review your qualifications. You are responsible for determining whether 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 refunded and you will not receive a score.

#### REQUIREMENTS TO BE APPOINTED

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

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

**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 your 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* for this examination online at http://www.mta.info/nyct/hr/appexam.htm 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 or the 3 train to the Hoyt Street Station.

### REQUIRED FORMS (continued on next page)

- 1. **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.

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3. 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 must apply by mail.

MTA New York City Transit will <u>not</u> accept applications in person.

# **Applications by Mail must:**

- 1. Include all of 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 not be accepted.

**Application Fee:** This fee is generally not 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 a refund. 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 below 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 requesting an application fee waiver is available with the *Application*.

#### ADMISSION LETTER

An *Admission Letter* will be mailed to you about 10 days before the date of the multiple-choice test. If you do not receive an *Admission Letter* at least 4 days before the test date, 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 test.

# THE TEST

You will be given a <u>qualifying</u> multiple-choice test and a <u>competitive</u> practical skills test. You must achieve a score of at least 70% to pass each test. Only those who meet the <u>qualifying</u> education and experience requirements and pass the <u>qualifying</u> multiple-choice test will be scheduled to take the <u>competitive</u> practical skills test. Your score on the competitive practical skills test will determine your place on the eligible list.

The qualifying multiple-choice test may include questions on basic electronic and electrical theory; proper selection and use of tools, instruments and materials; safe, proper and efficient work practices; reading and interpreting electrical schematics; and other related areas.

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The competitive practical skills test may require you to perform tasks related to the installation, testing, maintenance and repair of electronic and electrical communications equipment, including the proper use of hand tools, meters and other testing equipment, and safe work practices and procedures.

Veterans' or Disabled Veterans' Credit will be granted only to eligible passing candidates who request that such credit 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, beepers, pagers, cameras, portable media players, or other electronic devices. Calculators are permitted; however, they must be hand-held, battery or solar-powered, 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 in the building at any time before, during or after the test, you may not receive your test results, your test score may be nullified, 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 inside the test site 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, state issued identification card, US Government issued passport, US Government issued military identification card, US Government issued Alien Registration Card, employer identification card with photo, or student identification card 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.

## THE TEST RESULTS

If you meet the <u>qualifying</u> education and experience requirements and pass the <u>qualifying</u> multiple-choice test and the <u>competitive</u> 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. You will be considered for appointment when your name is reached on the eligible list.

#### 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 scheduled test date.

**Make-Up Test:** You may apply for a make-up test if you cannot take the test on the scheduled 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 where you are 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;
- Absence due to ordered military duty;

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- 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 within 90 days following termination of your military duty.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Promotion Examination:** A promotion examination for this title is being held for eligible MTA New York City Transit employees. The names appearing on the promotion list will be considered first in filling vacancies with MTA New York City Transit.

#### 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), telephone number, mailing address and/or email address. If you are a current MTA New York City Transit employee, all changes to your employee contact information must be made through the MTA Business Service Center (BSC) via the employee portal at <a href="http://www.mtabsc.info/">http://www.mtabsc.info/</a>.

All correspondence, including the submission of your *Application*, must be sent to the following address:

Electronic Equipment Maintainer, Exam No. 7603 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.