



New York City Transit

# Notice of Examination

## Promotion to Bus Maintainer - Group A, Exam No. 9726

**Application Deadline:**

March 5, 2019

**Type of Test:**

Practical Skills and Safety  
Proficiency Assessment

**Application Fee:**

\$82.00

**Test Date:** (subject to change)

Starting on June 17, 2019

### JOB DESCRIPTION

**Bus Maintainers – Group A**, under supervision, maintain, install, inspect, test, alter and repair the bodies and related mechanical, structural, and electrical equipment of buses and other automotive vehicles, including servicing, repairing and installing doors, seats, windows, framing, sheeting, hand bars, signs, floors, radiators, heat exchangers, bumpers, light fixtures and headlights; make and repair sheet metal or fiberglass body sections and structural members of buses using such tools and machines as are necessary; weld bus bodies and parts; disassemble bus bodies and parts using burning equipment; prepare vehicle bodies for painting; sand as necessary; spray and brush paint bus, truck and automobile bodies; manually and electronically document work activities; read and interpret technical documents, diagrams, and schematics; drive motor vehicles and operate machinery; and perform related work.

Some of the physical activities performed by Bus Maintainers – Group A and environmental conditions experienced are: crawling under buses and working in confined spaces; getting out of the way of moving buses and overhead cranes; distinguishing colors when mixing and matching paints; climbing and descending ladders; wearing goggles, gloves or respirators when required; using both hands to work overhead for extended periods of time; responding to audible signals such as alarms, bells, horns and whistles; responding to visual signals including distinguishing colored lights; and lifting and carrying heavy tools and equipment.

**Special Working Conditions:** Bus Maintainer - Group A 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

The current minimum salary for Bus Maintainer - Group A is \$30.8124 per hour for a 40-hour work week. This rate is subject to change.

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## ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE EXAMINATION

This examination is open to each employee of MTA New York City Transit who **on the first date of the Practical Skills test:**

1. Is permanently (not provisionally) employed in or appears on a Preferred List (see Note, below) for the title of Maintainer's Helper – Group B and is permanently employed or has been permanently employed in such title in the Department of Buses; 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.)

This examination is also open to employees who were appointed to an eligible title pursuant to New York State Civil Service Law, section 55-a, and who meet all other eligibility requirements.

You are responsible for determining whether you meet the eligibility requirements for this examination prior to submitting the *Application*. If you do not know if you are eligible, check with **your department's Human Resources representative**. You may be given the test and/or assessment before we verify your eligibility. If you are marked "Not Eligible," your application fee will **not** be refunded and you will **not** receive a score.

This examination is **not** open to employees of MaBSTOA or MTA Bus Company, or to employees of MTA agencies other than MTA New York City Transit.

## REQUIREMENTS TO BE PROMOTED

**Probationary Period:** At the time of 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 that title or your name must appear on a Preferred List for the title at the time of promotion. Additionally, you must have served permanently in the eligible title for at least one year. Time served prior to a break in service of more than one year will not be credited.

**Driver License Requirement:** If you are considered for promotion to the title of Bus Maintainer – Group A, you must meet the requirements in "1" or "2" below at the time of consideration for promotion:

1. A Class B Commercial Driver License (CDL) valid in the State of New York with a passenger endorsement and no disqualifying restrictions that would preclude the performance of the duties of this title.
2. A Motor Vehicle Driver License valid in the State of New York and a Learner Permit for a Class B CDL valid in the State of New York with a passenger endorsement and no disqualifying restrictions.

If you are promoted under "2" above, you must obtain the Class B Commercial Driver License valid in the State of New York with a passenger endorsement and no disqualifying restrictions during a six-week training program in bus operation. If you fail to successfully complete this program and fail to obtain the Class B Commercial Driver License valid in the State of New York with a passenger endorsement and no disqualifying restrictions, your employment will be terminated or you will be returned to your previously held permanent title. If you have serious moving violations, a license suspension or an accident record, you may be disqualified.

The Class B Commercial Driver License (CDL) with passenger endorsement and no disqualifying restrictions must be maintained for the duration of your employment in the title. Such license and/or Learner Permit must not include any restrictions which would preclude the performance of Bus Maintainer – Group A work.

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## REQUIREMENTS TO BE PROMOTED (Continued)

**Commercial Motor Vehicle Driving Experience in the Military or New York National Guard:** If you are an active member or former member (discharged in the past year) of the military or New York National Guard and have experience driving a Commercial Motor Vehicle in the military or New York National Guard, you may be eligible for a waiver of the New York State commercial driving skills test through the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles. If you believe that you may be eligible for this waiver, you must apply for the waiver through the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles.

**Medical Requirement:** Medical guidelines have been established for the position of Bus Maintainer – Group A. Candidates will be examined to determine whether they can perform the essential functions of the position of Bus Maintainer – Group A. 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 perform the essential functions of the job.

**Drug Screening Requirement:** You must pass a drug screening in order to be promoted, and if promoted, you will be subject to random drug and alcohol tests for the duration of your employment. Additionally, if you have tested positive on a drug or alcohol test or had a refusal to test during pre-employment or while employed by a Federal DOT-regulated employer during the applicable period, you must have completed the Substance Abuse Professional (SAP) evaluation, referral and education/treatment process required by federal law in order to be promoted to this safety-sensitive position.

## HOW TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND PAY THE APPLICATION FEE

If you believe you meet the requirements in the “Eligibility to Take Examination” section, submit an *Application* online by the last day of the application period unless you are requesting a fee waiver. Applicants who wish to request a fee waiver should refer to the “How to Submit an Application When Requesting a Fee Waiver” section below. MTA New York City Transit will **not** accept *Applications* in person.

**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”) General 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 the Notice of Examination for instructions on how to obtain a copy of the DCAS General Exam Regulations.

### Online Applications:

1. Apply using the “BSC” employee portal at [www.mymta.info](http://www.mymta.info) by the last day of the application period.
2. You must pay the *Application* fee via payroll deduction. Applicants who request a fee waiver **must** apply by mail.
3. You will be sent a confirmation email after you complete your *Application* and pay the *Application* fee.

Save your confirmation numbers for future reference and proof of filing an *Application*.

Computers with internet access are available on a limited basis at branches of the New York Public Library, the Brooklyn Public Library and the Queens Library to patrons with a valid library card.

## 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 Exam Information Center as indicated below and must submit the *Application* by mail to the address in the “Correspondence” section below **by the last day of the application period**.

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## HOW TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION WHEN REQUESTING A FEE WAIVER (Continued)

MTA New York City Transit will not accept *Applications* in person. Additional information on requesting an application fee waiver is available with the *Application*.

**MTA 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, 3, or G train to the Hoyt Street Station. The MTA Exam Information Center will be closed on Monday, February 18, 2019 in observance of Presidents Day.

### ADMISSION LETTER

An *Admission Letter* will be mailed to you about 10 days before the first date of the practical skills test. If you do not receive an *Admission Letter* at least 4 days before this date, you may obtain a duplicate letter at the MTA Exam Information Center (as indicated above). A paper copy of the *Admission Letter* is your ticket for admission to the test.

Applicants **must** keep their mailing address **up to date**. Please refer to the Correspondence section below for instructions on how to update your address and other contact information.

### THE TEST

The test will consist of a competitive practical skills test and a qualifying safety proficiency assessment. The qualifying safety proficiency assessment will be administered either before or on the same day as your practical skills test. A score of at least 70% is required to pass each test. Your score on the competitive practical skills test will determine 85% of your final score. Your seniority will determine the remaining 15%. You must pass the practical skills test to have your seniority credited. Your seniority score will be 70 plus ½ point for each three months of completed, continuous service with an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services, in permanent competitive class titles. Your service will be credited through the first date of the practical skills 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.

Veterans' or Disabled Veterans' Credit will be granted only to eligible passing candidates who request that they 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.

The competitive practical skills test will measure your ability to maintain and repair bodies, undercarriages, and associated components of buses, automobiles, and trucks, and may include: body sheeting repair, preparation, and painting; the proper use and selection of tools, machinery, and materials; fabrication and welding; reading and interpreting specifications and drawings; relevant mathematical calculations; and other related areas.

The qualifying safety proficiency assessment will be administered either before or the same day as your practical skills test. A score of 70% is required to pass the qualifying safety proficiency assessment. In the qualifying safety proficiency assessment, you may be required to demonstrate the following abilities:

**Oral Comprehension** – The ability to understand spoken English words and sentences

**Oral Expression** – The ability to use English words or sentences in speaking so others will understand

**Written Comprehension** – The ability to understand written sentences and paragraphs

**Written Expression** – The ability to use English words or sentences in writing so others will understand

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## TEST ADMINISTRATION GUIDELINES

**Warning:** You are not permitted to enter the test site with cellular phones, smart watches, beepers, pagers, cameras, portable media players, or other electronic devices. Calculators are not permitted. Electronic devices with an alphabetic keyboard, 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 for you inside of the test site while you are taking the test.

**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.

**Proof of Identity:** You must present your MTA New York City Transit employee ID when you arrive to take the test.

## THE TEST RESULTS

If you pass the competitive practical skills test and qualifying safety proficiency assessment 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 appointment when your name is reached on the eligible list.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Training:** Candidates promoted to Bus Maintainer – Group A will be required to complete and pass all parts of a training course in bus maintenance operations as a condition of passing probation. If you do not successfully complete this training course, you will be returned to your previous title.

## 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 of the following conditions:

1. You are absent from work for at least one-half of the application period and are unable to 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 first date of the Practical Skills test.

**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 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 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.

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## SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS (Continued)

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 make the request within 60 days of restoration to your position after performing ordered military duty.

**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.

## CORRESPONDENCE

**Change of Contact Information:** You must keep your employee contact information (telephone number, mailing address and email address) current with **both MTA New York City Transit and the MTA Business Service Center (BSC)**.

**To update your contact information with the MTA New York City Transit, you must:**

1. Visit us at the MTA Exam Information Center;
2. Send an e-mail to [examsunit@nyct.com](mailto:examsunit@nyct.com), with the subject named 'Contact Info Update'; or
3. Mail us at the address below, with the words 'Contact Info Update' next to the exam title.

**To update your contact information with the MTA Business Service Center (BSC), you must visit [www.mymta.info](http://www.mymta.info) and select the "My Personal Information" tab.**

Failure to keep your employee contact information current with **both MTA New York City Transit and the MTA Business Service Center (BSC)**, will prevent you from receiving important information about your exam(s) or consideration for promotion, including important information that may require a response by a specified deadline.

All other correspondence must be sent to the following address:

Promotion to Bus Maintainer - Group A, Exam No. 9726  
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 promotion, and may result in criminal prosecution.

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The General Examination Regulations of the Department of Citywide Administrative Services apply to this examination and are part of this Notice of Examination. They are posted and copies are available in the MTA Exam Information Center, 180 Livingston Street (Lobby), Brooklyn, NY 11201.

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