



ONONDAGA COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT
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**Application
Deadline
09/06/22**

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH TECHNICIAN I

Open Competitive Exam # 00-714 use application form #p-200
(Open to the Public)

Office Hrs M-F
8 a.m.-4:00p.m.

**Exam Date
10/22/22**

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE FILED WITH THE ONONDAGA COUNTY PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT
AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER

SALARY AND VACANCIES: Changing conditions may make it necessary to certify vacancies at higher or lower salaries than those announced.

The title currently exists in the following department(s):
Onondaga County Health Department - \$47,666-\$52,704

The resulting open competitive eligible list will be used to fill vacancies in any jurisdiction where the title exists.

DUTIES: The work involves responsibility for performing sub-professional environmental health work of a routine nature making inspections and assisting sanitarians and engineers in carrying out the various elements of prevention and control programs affecting the public's health. Employees in this class are assigned to one or more specialized phases of the environmental health program in the Onondaga County Health Department and spend approximately 80% or more of their time in the field performing many types of inspections. Does related work as required.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT: OPEN COMPETITIVE examination candidates must have resided in the United States of America or one of its territories for not less than one (1) month immediately preceding the date of exam. **Preference in appointment may be given to local residents.** Appointments to positions in some municipalities are subject to residence requirements pursuant to local laws.

Qualifications: You are urged to carefully compare your qualifications with the requirements for admission and file only for those examinations for which you are clearly qualified.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: On the date of examination, candidates must meet the following requirements:

A. Graduation from a regionally accredited college or university or one accredited by the New York State Board of Regents to grant degrees with an Associate's Degree or higher including or supplemented by a minimum of fifteen (15) semester credit hours in natural sciences of which not more than six (6) credit hours may be in the applied sciences; or,

B. Successful completion of sixty (60) semester credit hours from a regionally accredited college or university or one accredited by the New York State Board of Regents to grant degrees including a minimum of fifteen (15) semester credit hours in natural sciences of which not more than six (6) credit hours may be in the applied sciences.

NOTE: The term natural science means a science such as biology, chemistry, or physics that deals with the objects, phenomena, or laws of nature and the physical world. It includes all physical and biological sciences.

The term applied science means science based courses in environmental technology, sanitation technology, medical technology, public health, infection control, or food science.

*Minimum qualifications derived from Part 11 of the State Sanitary Code (10 NYCRR).

SPECIAL NECESSARY REQUIREMENT AT TIME OF APPOINTMENT:

When required to operate a motor vehicle, possession of a valid New York State Non-CDL or CDL including any special endorsements as required for the type of vehicle being operated.

COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS AS QUALIFYING PROOF (SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS):

If you are trying to qualify for this examination on the basis of your college training, you will need to submit either a verifiable, student copy or official transcript of college level studies you have completed to verify course work required for this examination. In lieu of a transcript, you will need to list all courses successfully completed in the curricula listed above, the names of the courses, number of hours earned, grades awarded, approximate dates of completion, and name(s) of college(s) where you took the course.

SUBJECT 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 the following areas:

1. ARITHMETIC REASONING: These questions test your ability to solve an arithmetic problem presented in sentence or short paragraph form.

2. UNDERSTANDING AND INTERPRETING WRITTEN MATERIAL: These questions test how well you comprehend written material.

3. PRINCIPLES OF BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY AND GENERAL SCIENCE: These questions test for a basic understanding of the physical world around you and the scientific laws that govern it.

TEST GUIDE: The Test Guide for the *Public Health Technician Series* is available on the New York State Department of Civil Service web site at <http://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/localtestguides.cfm>. Copies are also available at the following address or to request a copy by mail send a written request to: Onondaga County Personnel Dept., 421 Montgomery St. 13th fl, Syracuse NY 13202.

CALCULATORS: Unless otherwise notified, candidates are **PERMITTED** to use quiet, hand-held, and solar or battery powered calculators. Devices with typewriter keyboards, 'Spell Checkers,' 'Personal Digital Assistants,' 'Address Books,' 'Language Translators,' 'Dictionaries,' or any similar devices are prohibited. You may **not** bring books or other reference materials. You may **not** bring cellular phones, beepers, pagers, or headphones.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS: Applications may be obtained in person from the Onondaga County Department of Personnel, by mail (include a self-addressed, stamped envelope) or downloaded at www.ongov.net/employment/document_center

EVALUATION OF FOREIGN POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION: If your degree and/or college credit was awarded by an educational institution outside of the United States or its territories, you must provide independent verification of equivalency. A list of acceptable companies providing this service may be obtained in person from the Onondaga County Department of Personnel or downloaded at www.ongov.net/employment/document_center. You will be responsible for the required evaluation fee.

ADDITIONAL CREDIT TO CHILDREN OF FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY:

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, please inform this office of this matter when you submit your application for examination.

VETERAN CREDITS: War veterans applying for additional credit must submit a copy of their DD-214 Member-4 (discharge papers) with their application for examination or by one month following the date of examination.

Veteran's Credit Instructions and Application Forms are available in person from the Onondaga County Department of Personnel or downloaded at www.ongov.net/employment/document_center.

APPLICATION DEADLINE POLICY: All applications must be submitted to the Onondaga County Department of Personnel before the close of business at **4:00 p.m. on the application deadline date** as listed on the Examination announcement. Applications received via U.S. Mail will be accepted only if postmarked on or before the Application Deadline. Applications that are received through inter-office mail after the Application Deadline or that are submitted to any other department, office or agency and are not received in the Department of Personnel by the Application Deadline will not be accepted.

MILITARY APPLICANTS: In accordance with Section 243 of Military Law, military personnel serving on active duty in the armed forces of the United States during the filing period may be permitted to file an application for the examination after the application deadline date, but prior to the scheduled date of the examination. Contact the Onondaga County Personnel Department at (315)435-3537 for further information.

EXAM INFORMATION:

EXAM NOTICE: Candidates found eligible will be notified when and where to appear for examination. If you have not received notice of the examination location three (3) days prior to the examination, contact the Examination Unit at 435-3537. If an application is disapproved, due notice will be sent. Reasons for disapproval may be discussed with the reviewer.

FOR EMERGENCY CANCELLATION OF EXAMINATIONS TUNE TO: WIXT NEWS CHANNEL **9**, WTVH NEWS CHANNEL **5**, NEWS **10 NOW** or **any Clear Channel Radio Station**.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS: If you desire accommodation at the exam site due to disability, please indicate the disability and desired conditions necessary to accommodate your disability on the application or on a separate paper attached firmly to your application. Candidates requesting an accommodation are required to furnish documentation of the disabling condition prior to the examination date. The accommodation required must be stated on the application for examination and the documentation must be forwarded at least 2 weeks prior to the exam date.

RELIGIOUS ACCOMMODATION: Applicants whose religious beliefs prevent them from taking examinations on the scheduled date should indicate the need for special arrangements on their application.

EXAM RATING: When the written examination is prepared and rated by the New York State Department of Civil Service in accordance with Section 23-2 of the Civil Service Law, the provision of the New York State Civil Service Rules and Regulations will apply.

ELIGIBLE LIST: Eligible lists are established, on average, within three months after the examination date. In accordance with the New York State Civil Service Law, an eligible list must remain in existence for one year from the date of its establishment. When the eligible list is established you will be able to view the current eligible list and your status on-line by going to our website at **Civil Service Exam Test Results** www.ongov.net/employment/ranking.

CANDIDATE FITNESS: Inquires may be made as to character and ability of all candidates. All statements made by candidates are subject to verification. Falsification of any part of the "Application for Employment" may result in disqualification and possible legal action.

MULTIPLE EXAMINATIONS SCHEDULED FOR THE SAME DAY: If you have applied to take a written test announced by either one or several local jurisdictions (county, town, city) scheduled to be held on the same test date as this written test, you must notify each of the local jurisdictions no later than two weeks before the test date, so they can make arrangements for taking all tests at one test site. All examinations for positions in State government will be held at a State examination center.

Onondaga County Cross Filer Notification Forms are available in our office or online at www.ongov.net/Employment/document_center. Send completed form to Onondaga County Dept. of Personnel, 421 Montgomery St 13th Fl, Syracuse NY 13202 OR FAX 315-435-8272 OR call 315-435-3537.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: It is the responsibility of the candidate to notify the Onondaga County Personnel Department in writing of any change in address. Address change forms are available in the Personnel Department during normal office hours or online at www.ongov.net/employment/document_center

MILITARY MAKE-UP EXAMINATION: Any member of the armed forces of the United States who has filed an application to compete in a scheduled competitive examination but is deprived of the opportunity to compete in the examination due to ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY can be provided with a special military make-up examination upon written request to the Onondaga County Personnel Department. The applicant must submit a copy of military orders, DD-214, or other official military document that substantiates active military service at the time of the examination. Request must be no later than sixty (60) days after release from active duty.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR APPOINTMENT IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND BOCES: Per Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000, and by Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, to be employed in a position designated by a school district or BOCES as involving contact with students, a clearance for employment from the State Education Department is required.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION ACT OF 1985, candidates for appointment to Onondaga County government positions which involve regular and substantial contact with children will be required to complete a State Central Register of Child Abuse and Maltreatment clearance form. Failure to complete this form may result in decertification of your name from this eligible list for appointments in Onondaga County.

PRE-EMPLOYMENT DRUG TESTING / BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION: **May be required** for appointment or promotion.

Onondaga County is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer