



**NIAGARA COUNTY
CIVIL SERVICE
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ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

No 76-261 Promotional Examination

Salary \$65,008 - \$82,444/year

The examination will be held to establish an eligible list used to fill one current vacancy in the City of North Tonawanda Department of Public Works or any other vacancy that may occur during the life of the list. **The list established from this exam will supersede any existing list for this title.**

PROMOTIONAL QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates must have two (2) years of permanent competitive status as a Heavy Equipment Maintenance Supervisor, Traffic Maintenance Supervisor, or Wastewater Lift Station Operator **OR** five (5) years of permanent competitive status as a Storekeeper or Dispatcher in the North Tonawanda Department of Public Works immediately preceding the date of written examination.

SENIORITY CREDIT: Seniority is based on the length of continuous permanent classified service in the jurisdiction in which promotion is sought, with points added to an eligible candidate's passing score for each appropriate five-year period or fraction thereof in accordance with the following schedule:

Less than 1 year	0 points
1 year up to 6 years	1 point
Over 6 years up to 11 years	2 points
Over 11 years up to 16 years	3 points
Over 16 years up to 21 years	4 points
Over 21 years up to 26 years	5 points

DUTIES: The work involves responsibility for assisting the Superintendent of Public Works in planning, directing and overseeing the operation of various public works functions including the maintenance and repair of city streets, sewer and water lines, refuse collection and the maintenance of buildings, vehicles, and equipment. The work is performed under the general direction of the Superintendent of Public Works with leeway allowed for the use of independent judgment in carrying out the details of the work. Supervision is exercised over the work of all subordinate employees. Does related work as required.

NOTICE TO CANDIDATES: The use of calculators is **RECOMMENDED**. Unless otherwise notified, candidates are permitted to use quiet, hand-held, solar or battery powered calculators. Devices with typewriter keyboard such as computers, spell checkers, personal digital assistants, address books, language translators, dictionaries or any similar devices are prohibited. **Cell phones are prohibited.**

FEE WAIVERS: Waivers for the filing fee must be completed in full and submitted with required supporting documentation or your application will be disapproved.

ORIGINAL APPLICATIONS
MUST BE RECEIVED BY 4PM
OR BE POSTMARKED BY

MARCH 15, 2019

A **non-refundable \$15.00 application fee** must accompany each application. Please submit a copy of your online payment receipt OR a check or money order payable to:

Niagara County Civil Service

ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED: FEBRUARY 15, 2019

EXAMINATION DATE

MAY 11, 2019

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 such areas as:

1. **Administrative supervision** - These questions test for knowledge of the principles and practices involved in directing the activities of a large subordinate staff, including subordinate supervisors. Questions relate to the personal interactions between an upper level supervisor and his/her subordinate supervisors in the accomplishment of objectives. These questions cover such areas as assigning work to and coordinating the activities of several units, establishing and guiding staff development programs, evaluating the performance of subordinate supervisors, and maintaining relationships with other organizational sections.
2. **Maintenance and reconstruction of streets, sidewalks and curbs** - These questions test for knowledge of the proper methods, materials and equipment used in the installation, repair and upkeep of street surfaces, utility access holes, gutters, catch basins, curbing and sidewalks, including ice and snow removal and control.
3. **Maintenance and construction of sanitary and storm sewer systems** - These questions test for knowledge of the proper methods, materials and equipment used in the installation, maintenance, repair and cleaning of sanitary and storm sewers, catch basins and related appurtenances; and proper trenching and backfilling procedures.
4. **Safety practices** - These questions test for knowledge of, and the ability to, apply safety principles related to public works construction zones, including traffic control, safe use of equipment, and the overall safety of workers, the traveling public, and the work environment.
5. **Plans, specifications, and technical instructions** - These questions test for the ability to understand, analyze, and perform computations based on technical drawings and written presentations related to public works projects. All the information needed to answer the questions will be provided in the written material and/or drawings.
6. **Scheduling work and equipment** - These questions test for knowledge of work scheduling principles and for the ability to arrange work and equipment assignments in a manner that will achieve work goals while staying within scheduling criteria. This may include setting up vacation or work schedules, taking into consideration such factors as seniority, work skills, duty hours, and shift coverage.

The New York State Department of Civil Service has not prepared a test guide for this examination. However, candidates may find information in the publication "How to take a written test" helpful in preparing for this test. This publication is available on line at: <https://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/testguides.cfm>.

CANDIDATES NOTE: You are responsible for completing all sections of the official application. To receive credit for experience on a job, basic information such as address, name and title of supervisor, hours in the work week, final salary, and duties performed by you, must be shown. Be very specific in explaining experience that will qualify you for the position sought. Ambiguity and vagueness will not be resolved in your favor. **EACH SEPARATE SHEET ATTACHED TO THE APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED.**

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 arrangement for taking all tests at one test site. All examinations for positions in State government will be held at a State Examination Center.

This examination will be 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 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.

Please review [**IMPORTANT EXAMINATION INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**](#)

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