



**NIAGARA COUNTY
CIVIL SERVICE
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HIGHWAY OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR

No 74-123 Promotional Examination

Salary Range: \$68,574 - \$87,828

The examination will be held to establish an eligible list used to fill one current vacancy and any other appropriate vacancies in the Niagara County Public Works department 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: Two (2) years of permanent competitive status in the County Highway Department as Road Maintenance Supervisor immediately preceding the date of examination.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:

Possession of applicable New York State Driver's License at time of appointment & throughout employment.

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

NOTE: Any person otherwise meeting the requirements for an examination, who was laid off from an agency for which the exam is being held, and whose name is presently on a **PREFERRED LIST**, is eligible to compete in the exam. When completing their application, such persons should be sure to indicate their present employment and/or title and location of their last permanent employment in the municipality.

DUTIES: The work involves responsibility for planning, coordinating and reviewing the activities of work crews engaged in construction and maintenance of county roads and adjacent areas. The incumbent is responsible for the efficient and economical use of work crews, materials and equipment in the various construction and maintenance activities. The work is performed under the general supervision of the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works-Highways, Bridges, and Structures and the Commissioner of Public Works who approve recommended maintenance and assign and check projects for completeness and efficiency. The incumbent exercises independent judgment in carrying out the details of the work. Supervision is exercised over Road Maintenance Supervisors and other 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.

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY OR POSTMARKED BY THE FILING DEADLINE.
YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE DISAPPROVED IF PAYMENT IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE FILING DEADLINE.**

FILING DEADLINE

SEPTEMBER 23, 2021

A non-refundable \$15.00 application fee is required.
Apply and pay online or submit a check or money order
payable to: **Niagara County Civil Service**

ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED: August 24, 2021

EXAMINATION DATE

NOVEMBER 6, 2021

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. **Highways, drainage facilities, related structures, and snow and ice control:** These questions test for knowledge of practices and materials used in the maintenance and repair of highway-related structures and may include such areas as roadway surfaces, shoulders, embankments, drainage materials, guide rails, highway maintenance equipment, and ice and snow removal and control.
2. **Bridge reconstruction, maintenance, and repair:** These questions test for knowledge of the proper methods, materials, and equipment used in the upkeep of bridges and bridge abutments and may include such areas as concrete and pavement maintenance, steel maintenance including sandblasting, painting, and welding, appropriate environmental and worker protection safeguards, and snow and ice removal and control.
3. **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.
4. **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.
5. **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.
6. **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.

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 'General Guide to Written Tests' 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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