



**NIAGARA COUNTY
CIVIL SERVICE
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Personnel Officer*

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CORRECTION LIEUTENANT

No 72-867 Promotional Examination

Salary Range: \$36.59 – \$37.78/hour

This examination will be held to establish an eligible list to fill any appropriate vacancies which may occur in the Niagara County Sheriff's Office during the life of the list. **The list established from this exam will supersede any existing list for this title.**

PROMOTIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Eligibility for participation in promotional examination:

Candidates must be permanently employed in the competitive class as a Correction Sergeant for two (2) years or as a full-time Correction Officer for six (6) years with the Niagara County Sheriff's Office immediately preceding the date of written examination.

Eligibility for permanent appointment from eligible list:

Candidates must be permanently employed in the competitive class as a Correction Sergeant for four (4) years or as a full-time Correction Officer for eight (8) years with the Niagara County Sheriff's Office by time of appointment.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:

Possession of a valid New York State driver's license at time of appointment and for the duration of 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 performing supervisory and administrative level corrections work under the supervision of a Correction Captain. An employee in this class may be assigned as the ranking officer on assigned tours of duty. A significant amount of interaction with superiors, peers and subordinates is involved at the Lieutenant level. The incumbent ensures that all shifts and posts are properly staffed by Correction Sergeants, Officers, and civilian employees. Direct supervision is exercised over all assigned subordinate personnel. This class differs from that of Correction Sergeant by virtue of increased supervisory, facility security and operational responsibilities. Supervision is exercised over the work of Correction Sergeants, Correction Officers and civilian employees. Does related work as required.

**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

JANUARY 15, 2020

A non-refundable \$25.00 application fee is required.

Apply and pay online or submit a check or money order

payable to: **Niagara County Civil Service**

ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED: December 19, 2019

EXAMINATION DATE

MARCH 14, 2020

NOTICE TO CANDIDATES: The use of calculators is **ALLOWED**. 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.

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. **BASIC SKILLS TRAINING:** These questions test for the knowledge and abilities required to train individuals, often on a one-to-one basis, who need to acquire basic information and learn to perform simple tasks. They address topics such as planning activities to promote learning, presenting information, providing guidance, and evaluating learning. These questions cover the most basic level of training.
2. **PREPARING WRITTEN MATERIAL:** These questions test for the ability to present information clearly and accurately, and to organize paragraphs logically and comprehensibly. For some questions, you will be given information in two or three sentences followed by four restatements of the information. You must then choose the best version. For other questions, you will be given paragraphs with their sentences out of order. You must then choose, from four suggestions, the best order for the sentences.
3. **NEW YORK STATE MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES:** These questions test knowledge of the Minimum Standards for state, county, and local correctional facilities that are promulgated by the New York State Commission of Correction in areas such as the admission/discharge, care, custody, movement, correctional treatment, security, supervision, and discipline of all persons confined in these systems.
4. **COORDINATING APPROPRIATE RESPONSES TO EMERGENCIES, DISTURBANCES AND OTHER UNUSUAL SITUATIONS:** These questions test for knowledge in such areas as: anticipating possible correctional emergency situations, responding to situations promptly and allocating staff where needed; notifying supervisors of situations when appropriate; acting within rules to alleviate problems as quickly as possible with minimum use of force; investigating the causes of incidents; submitting reports on incidents.
5. **SUPERVISING INMATE CORRECTIONAL PROGRAMS, SERVICES, VISITATION AREAS AND CORRECTIONAL STAFF:** These questions test for knowledge in such areas as: coordinating programs with civilian staff; ensuring that all employees relate well to visitors and guests and answer their questions in accordance with facility rules; organizing and supervising special programs involving outside groups (e.g., Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, etc.) and ensuring full cooperation from employees.

The questions may also deal with such areas as: understanding new concepts and developments in the field of Corrections, and evaluating employees' capabilities and limitations on the job.

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, 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.

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**](#)