



Department of Human Resources & Civil Service

Open Competitive Training & Experience Exam Announcement

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- Application Fee: **\$15.00**
- Examination Date: **September 1, 2018** – This exam will be administered online. All candidates who meet the minimum qualifications will be sent further details on this date.
- Application Deadline: **July 17, 2018** – Applications must be submitted online or filed in our office by 5PM or postmarked by this date
- Who May Apply: **Qualified residents of Monroe County**
- Salary: **\$32,450 - \$41,154 annually (Monroe County)**
- Employment Opportunities: The **Monroe County Department of Parks** has **one (1)** position currently held by a provisionally appointed employee, who may be appointed on a permanent basis if found reachable on a civil service list established as a result of this exam.
- The results of this exam may be used to fill vacancies, which may occur during the life of the eligible list.

A Promotional exam is also being offered for qualified employees of the **Monroe County Department of Parks**.

Minimum Qualifications:

Candidates must meet the following minimum requirements on or before the date of the written exam:

Graduation from high school or possession of an equivalency diploma plus EITHER:

(A) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with a Bachelor's degree in Biology, Zoology, Animal Science, Conservation Biology, Wildlife management, or a closely related field, plus one (1) year paid full-time or its part-time equivalent*** experience working with animal collections or animal exhibits including responsibility for the care, feeding and observation of zoo animals and the upkeep and maintenance of zoo property in an accredited Association of Zoos and Aquariums' (AZA) facility *, one (1) year of which must have involved experience in a lead supervisory capacity** or higher; OR,

(B) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with an Associate's degree in one of the fields mentioned in (A) above, plus three (3) years experience as described in (A) above, one (1) year of which must have involved experience in a lead supervisory capacity** or higher; OR,

(C) Five (5) years experience as described in (A) above, one (1) year of which must have involved experience in a lead supervisory capacity** or higher; OR,

(D) Any equivalent combination of training and experience defined by the limits of (A), (B) and (C) above.

*A list of accredited AZA facilities can be obtained at www.aza.org

**Lead supervisory capacity, for the purposes of these minimum qualifications, is defined as someone who participates in and oversees projects, or directs and coordinates the work of others.

Special Requirements:

If you are appointed, you will be required to possess a valid license to operate a motor vehicle in New York State, or otherwise demonstrate your capacity to meet the transportation needs of the position.

Candidates will be required to pass a pre-employment drug test for employment with Monroe County Government.

*** part-time equivalent experience is as follows:

- 0-9 hours per week = no credit
- 10-19 hours per week = 1/4 (one-quarter) of full-time work
- 20-29 hours per week = 1/2 (one-half) of full-time work
- 30 hours or more per week = full-time work

Work experience must be paid full-time, or its part-time equivalent. Employment dates, average number of hours worked per week, and job duties must be included.

Residency Requirement:

Applicants must be residents of Monroe County for at least four (4) months at the time of examination.

Fees:

A \$15.00 **non-refundable** Application Fee for each examination for which you apply is to be paid with your application, unless the fee is waived for that examination.

Make check or money order payable to: Monroe County Director of Finance

Write the LAST FOUR DIGITS of your SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER AND EXAM NUMBER(S) ON YOUR CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.

Be sure to compare your qualifications carefully with the requirements listed and file only for those examinations for which you clearly qualify and intend to take. We cannot prescreen applications submitted without the fee. No refunds will be made if your application is disapproved or you fail to appear for the test. There is a \$15.00 charge for returned checks. We do not accept cash.

Exception to Fee Requirement:

A waiver of application fee will be allowed if you are unemployed and primarily responsible for the support of a household. In addition, a waiver of application fee will be allowed if you are determined eligible for Medicaid, or receiving Supplemental Security Income payments, or Public Assistance (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families/Family Assistance or Safety Net Assistance) or are certified Job Training Partnership Act/Workforce Investment Act eligible through a State or local social service agency. Employees of Monroe County who are represented by the Federation of Social Workers, Local 381, are eligible for this waiver for all exams if they are in salary group 52 and below; employees in a salary group above 52 are eligible for the fee waiver, if the examination is for a title in their career field. Employees of Monroe County who are represented by C.S.E.A., Local 828, are eligible for this waiver, if they are in salary group 10 or below. The fee is waived for all Monroe County employees taking promotional exams. Individuals wishing to claim this waiver of fee must complete a request for application fee waiver and certification request located on the last page of the application. Such claims are subject to later verification and, if not supported by appropriate documentation are grounds for barring appointment.

Description of Duties:

This position in the Monroe County Parks Department Seneca Park Zoo is responsible for assisting with monitoring the animal collection to ensure a balanced and diverse collection. Duties involve developing proper methods of caring for the animal collection at the zoo on a daily basis. The employee provides care for assigned animals as needed. The employee reports directly to and works under the general supervision of the General Curator or a higher-level staff member. General supervision is exercised over a subordinate staff.

Scope of Examination:

There will be no written or oral test for this examination. If you meet the minimum qualifications, you will receive a rating based upon an evaluation of your training and experience against the duties of the position being tested.

Candidates must first complete an examination application and return it to the **Monroe County Civil Service** on or before the last filing date of **July 17, 2018**.

Approved candidates will be sent a notice containing directions to a website address needed to complete a Training and Experience Questionnaire.

The Training and Experience Questionnaire will be available on September 1, 2018, and approved candidates will be required to complete and submit this questionnaire between September 1, 2018 and midnight September 30, 2018. NOTE: Candidates will not be able to claim any credit for training or experience gained after the application filing deadline of **July 17, 2018**.

Candidates who fail to submit a questionnaire by midnight, **September 30, 2018**, will not receive a rating.

This examination is being 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 the 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.

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Applications:

If you are applying for more than one exam, a separate application is required for each exam. Applications may be obtained at the address or web-site indicated at the bottom of the first page of this announcement.

Candidates must record the Exam Number and Title on the Application.

Note:

Submission of a resume does not relieve you of the responsibility for completing all sections of the official application. The resume is a supplement to the application, and not a substitute for it. To receive credit for a job, basic employment information such as address, name and title of supervisor, average number of hours in the workweek, final salary, reason for leaving, specific job duties, your job title, etc. must be shown.

Eligible List:

Successful candidates will have their names placed on an eligible list for this title in order of their rating, regardless of the date on which they take the test. Candidates' scores from the different testing dates may be interfiled. The names of the successful candidates will remain on the eligible list for at least one (1) year to fill present and future vacancies.

Certifications and Appointments:

The eligible list resulting from this examination will be established in accordance with the final earned numerical rating of passing candidates regardless of residence. A municipality or district may exercise its right under Section 23 of the Civil Service Law to request an initial certification of eligibles who have been residents of that municipality or district for at least one (1) month on the date of certification and who are also legal residents of the appointing jurisdiction at the time of appointment, in accordance with their numerical rating. After the names of residents have been exhausted the Commission must then certify in regular rank order the names of non-residents on the list.

Background Investigation:

Applicants may be required to undergo a State and national criminal history background investigation, which will include a fingerprint check, to determine suitability for appointment. Failure to meet the standards for the background investigation may result in disqualification.

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 direct contact with students, a clearance for employment from the State Education Department is required.

Veteran's Credits:

Veterans entitled to and wishing to claim additional points must file in the Monroe County Department of Human Resources an Application for Veteran's Credits (VC-1) form, and a copy of their military discharge papers (DD-214). Disabled veterans must also file two (2) copies of an Authorization for Veteran's Disability Record (VC-4) with Veterans Affairs. These forms are available at the Monroe County Department of Human Resources and must be filed within thirty (30) days of the examination date. No credit may be added after the eligible list has been established.

Candidates currently on active duty may apply within thirty (30) days of the examination. Upon discharge, candidates must submit a copy of their military discharge papers (DD-214). Any extra points will be applied upon our receipt of the discharge papers.

Children of Firefighters and Police Officers Killed in the Line of Duty:

In conformance with section 85-a of the Civil Service Law, children of firefighters and police officers killed in the line of duty shall be entitled to receive an additional ten points in a competitive examination for original appointment in the same municipality in which his or her parent has served. 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 in this municipality, please inform this office of this matter when you submit your application for examination. A candidate

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claiming such credit must provide the necessary documentation to verify additional credit eligibility within thirty (30) days of the examination date. No credit may be added after the eligible list has been established.

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