Notice of Examination

Bus Operator, Exam No. 9309

Application Deadline: June 14, 2019

Type of Test
See the Selection Process Section

Application Fee: $68.00

Survey Date: (subject to change)
Saturday, October 12, 2019 or Sunday, October 13, 2019

JOB DESCRIPTION

Bus Operators, under general supervision, operate a bus carrying passengers in accordance with the rules and regulations of MTA, New York State law and New York City traffic regulations. They ensure proper payment of fare; issue and collect transfers; ensure passengers' safety; protect the assigned vehicle; write reports concerning revenues, accidents, faulty equipment and unusual occurrences; and perform related work.

Some of the physical activities performed by the Bus Operators and environmental conditions they experience are: working in various types of weather; walking up and down stairways and ramps in depots; hearing horns, buzzers and verbal warnings; distinguishing colored lights; seeing traffic hazards from all directions and from a distance; making visual inspections of buses; remaining in a sitting position for long periods and climbing into and out of a Bus Operator's seat.

Special Working Conditions: Bus Operators may be required to work various shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

(This brief description does not include all of the duties of this position.)

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Filing Opened: May 1, 2019
SALARY AND BENEFITS

The current minimum salary for Bus Operator is $23.84 per hour increasing to $34.06 in the sixth year of service. These rates are subject to change.

HOW TO QUALIFY

There are no formal education or experience requirements for this position.

REQUIREMENTS TO BE APPOINTED

Driver License Requirement: At the time of appointment, you must possess either:

1. A Class B Commercial Driver License (CDL) valid in the State of New York with a passenger endorsement and no disqualifying restrictions that would preclude the performance of the duties of this title; or

2. A Motor Vehicle Driver License valid in the State of New York and a Learner Permit for a Class B CDL valid in the State of New York with a passenger endorsement and no disqualifying

3. If you qualify under “2” above, your appointment will be subject to the receipt of a Class B CDL valid in the State of New York with a passenger endorsement and no disqualifying restrictions at the end of a special training course in bus operation. If you fail to successfully complete the special training course in bus operation, including the receipt of a Class B CDL valid in the State of New York with a passenger endorsement and no disqualifying restrictions, your employment will be terminated. If you have serious moving violations, a license suspension or an accident record, you may be disqualified.

The Class B Commercial Driver License (CDL) with a passenger endorsement and no disqualifying restrictions must be maintained for the duration of your employment in the title. Such license and/or Learner Permit must not include any restrictions which would preclude the performance of Bus Operator work.

The Class B Commercial Driver License (CDL) or Motor Vehicle Driver License, or any combination thereof, must have been valid in the State of New York for at least three years immediately prior to the date you are appointed to this position.

Commercial Motor Vehicle Driving Experience in the Military or New York National Guard: If you are an active member or former member (discharged in the past year) of the military or New York National Guard and have experience driving a Commercial Motor Vehicle in the military or New York National Guard, you may be eligible for a waiver of the New York State commercial driving skills test through the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles. If you believe that you may be eligible for this waiver, you must apply for the waiver through the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles.

Medical Requirement: Medical guidelines have been established for the position of Bus Operator. You will be examined to determine whether you can perform the essential functions of the position. Where appropriate, a reasonable accommodation will be provided for a person with a disability to enable him or her to perform the essential functions of the job.

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Drug Screening Requirement: You must pass a drug screening in order to be appointed, and if appointed, you will be subject to random drug and alcohol tests for the duration of your employment. Additionally, if you have tested positive on a drug or alcohol test or had a refusal to test during pre-employment or while employed by a Federal DOT-regulated employer during the applicable period, you must have completed the Substance Abuse Professional (SAP) process required by federal law in order to be appointed to this safety-sensitive position.

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REQUIREMENTS TO BE APPOINTED (Continued)

Residency: New York City residency is not required for this position

English Requirement: You must be able to understand and be understood in English.

Proof of Identity: Under the Immigration and Reform Control Act of 1986, you must be able to prove your identity and your right to obtain employment in the United States prior to employment with MTA Bus Company.

HOW TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND PAY THE APPLICATION FEE

If you believe you meet the requirements in the “How to Qualify” section, submit an application online. Applications will not be accepted in person.

Online Applications:

1. Apply using http://mta.info/nyct/hr/appexam.htm by the last day of the application period.
2. Log into your existing account or create a new account online to apply.
3. Follow the steps to submitting an application.
4. A confirmation number will appear on the same page after submitting your Application.
5. Below the confirmation number, a Pay Examination Fee button will appear for you to click to open the payment page.
6. A major credit card or a bank card associated with a bank account must be used when paying the application fee.
7. You will be sent a confirmation email after you submit payment for the application fee.

Computers with internet access are available on a limited basis at branches of the New York Public Library, the Brooklyn Library and the Queens Library to patrons with a valid library card.

Save your Confirmation numbers for future reference and proof of filing an Application.

Application Fee: This fee is generally not refundable. Under special circumstances, you may be entitled to a refund. You should refer to the Department of Citywide Administrative Services (“DCAS”) General Examination Regulations to determine if you are entitled to a refund prior to requesting a refund. You can refer to the bottom of the last page of the Notice of Examination for instructions on how to obtain a copy of the DCAS’ General Examination Regulations.

HOW TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION WHEN REQUESTING A FEE WAIVER

Applicants who wish to request a fee waiver must obtain an Application in person at the MTA Exam Information Center as indicated below and must submit the Application and required forms by mail to the address in the “Correspondence” section below by the last day of the application period. MTA New York City Transit will not accept applications in person. Additional information on how to request an application fee waiver is available with the Application.

ADMISSION LETTER

An Admission Letter will be mailed to you about 10 days before the first scheduled survey date. If you do not receive an Admission Letter at least 4 days before this date, you may obtain a duplicate letter at the MTA Exam Information Center (as indicated below). A paper copy of the Admission Letter is your ticket for admission to the survey. The Admission Letter will include your random list number, which is generated electronically. Candidates who successfully complete all components of the selection process and meet all requirements and conditions will be considered for employment in random list number order as vacancies arise.
THE SELECTION PROCESS

The Bus Operator Selection Survey (BOSS) is a selection instrument approved by the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) and is used as an indicator of applicant tendencies in the areas of safety, attendance and customer service skills. As indicated above, all applicants will be mailed an Admission Letter inviting them to complete the BOSS. Then, once the eligible list for this exam is established, BOSS results will be mailed to those who completed it.

If you believe you have already successfully completed BOSS for another exam number, you may email us at examsunit@nyct.com to request a transfer of those results to this exam number. Please write “BOSS Results Transfer Request” in the subject of your email, and make sure to include your full name and Applicant ID (or the last four digits of your Social Security Number) with your request.

As vacancies arise, applicants who have successfully completed the BOSS will be invited in random list number order to complete the following components of the employment process, which must be completed successfully to be considered for employment:

1. A driving record review
2. Drug test and medical assessment
3. Criminal and work record review (failure to disclose prior convictions may disqualify)

Refer to the “Requirements to be Appointed” section of this notice, above, for additional information on conditions that must be met at the time of appointment.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Probationary Period: You will be required to complete a 1-year probationary period. Those who not successfully complete the probationary period may be terminated at the discretion of the MTA Bus Company.

Appointments: All appointees must satisfactorily complete a Bus Operator training program in accordance with MTA Bus Company standards. Appointees who do not satisfactorily complete the training program will be subject to being terminated.

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Make-Up: You may apply for a make-up if you cannot take the Bus Operator Selection Survey on the scheduled date for any of the following reasons:

1. Compulsory attendance before a public body; or
2. On-the-job injury or illness caused by municipal employment where you are an officer or employee of the City; or
3. Absence within one week after the death of a spouse, domestic partner, parent, sibling, child, or child of a domestic partner where you are an officer or employee of the City; or
4. Absence due to ordered military duty; or
5. A clear error for which MTA New York City Transit is responsible; or
6. A temporary disability, pregnancy-related, or child-birth related condition preventing you from taking the Bus Operator Selection Survey.

To request a make-up, mail your request with your documentation of special circumstances to the address found in the “Correspondence” section below within 60 days of your scheduled date or make the request within 90 days after performing ordered military duty.
CORRESPONDENCE

MTA Exam Information Center: Open Monday through Friday, from 9 AM to 3 PM, in the lobby at 180 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York. Directions: take the A, C, F or R trains to the Jay Street-Metro Tech Station, or the 2, 3, or the G train to the Hoyt Street Station.

Change of Contact Information: It is critical that you keep your contact information (telephone number, mailing address and/or email address) current with MTA New York City Transit. You may miss important information about your exam(s) or consideration for appointment or promotion, including important information that may require a response by a specified deadline, if we do not have your correct contact information. To update your contact information, you must:

1. Visit us at the MTA Exam Information Center;
2. Email us at examsunit@nyct.com, with the subject named ‘Contact Info Update’; or
3. Mail us at the address below, with the words ‘Contact Info Update’ next to the exam title.

Your request must include your full name, exam title(s), exam number(s) and your old and new telephone numbers, mailing and/or email address. **All changes to an MTA employee's contact information must also be made through the MTA Business Service Center (BSC) via the employee portal at http://www.mymta.info.**

All other correspondence must be sent to the following address:

Bus Operator, Exam No. 9309
MTA New York City Transit
180 Livingston Street, Room 4070
Brooklyn, NY 11201

PENALTY FOR MISREPRESENTATION

Any intentional misrepresentation on the Application or examination may result in disqualification, even after appointment, and may result in criminal prosecution.