



**SCHOHARIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF  
PERSONNEL & CIVIL SERVICE**  
ANNOUNCES CIVIL SERVICE *OPEN COMPETITIVE* EXAMINATION FOR  
**#68-940: SENIOR ACCOUNT CLERK-TYPIST**  
*Salary: Varies by Jurisdiction (Current CSEA Starting Salary: \$29,594 - Grade 8)*

\*Application Fee – \$15.00

**LAST FILING DATE:**      November 18, 2016      **DATE OF EXAMINATION:**      December 10, 2016

**ELIGIBLE LIST:** The list resulting from this examination will be used to fill vacancies, as they occur in Schoharie County.

**RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS:** An applicant must have been a legal resident of Schoharie County or one of the six contiguous counties of Albany, Delaware, Greene, Montgomery, Otsego or Schenectady for at least thirty days immediately preceding the test date.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

- (A) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with an associate degree with at least twelve (12) semester credit hours in bookkeeping or accounting, **OR**  
(B) Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma **AND** two (2) years of clerical experience which shall have involved bookkeeping or accounting.

**NOTE:** Part-time employment can be pro-rated to count towards full-time (based on number of hours worked per week).

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** Employees in this class are responsible for independently performing and/or supervising moderately difficult and responsible work maintaining and checking financial accounts and records. It also requires either the full-time or substantial part-time operation of an alpha-numeric keyboard. The position does not involve working with a double-entry bookkeeping system. General policies and procedures are established for the work of this class however employees exercise independent judgment in the handling of details. Unusual problems or situations not previously encountered are referred to a supervisor before action is taken. Work is performed under general supervision and may require a general understanding of specific law, office rules, procedures, policies and programs. Supervision may be exercised over other employees. Incumbents perform more difficult and complex account keeping than account clerks and account clerk-typists. Does related work as required.

**Use of calculators is RECOMMENDED**

*Subjects of examination: A written test designed to evaluate knowledge, skills and/or abilities in the following areas:*

- 1. Arithmetic computation with calculator:** These questions test for the ability to use a calculator to do basic computations. Questions will involve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. You may also be asked to calculate averages, to use percents, and to round an answer to the nearest whole number. You should bring with you a hand-held battery- or solar-powered calculator for use on this test. You will not be permitted to use the calculator function of your cell phone.
- 2. Supervision:** These questions test for knowledge of the principles and practices employed in planning, organizing, and controlling the activities of a work unit toward predetermined objectives. The concepts covered, usually in a situational question format, include such topics as assigning and reviewing work; evaluating performance; maintaining work standards; motivating and developing subordinates; implementing procedural change; increasing efficiency; and dealing with problems of absenteeism, morale, and discipline.
- 3. Understanding and interpreting tabular material:** These questions test your ability to understand, analyze, and use the internal logic of data presented in tabular form. You may be asked to perform tasks such as completing tables, drawing conclusions from them, analyzing data trends or interrelationships, and revising or combining data sets. The concepts of rate, ratio, and proportion are tested. Mathematical operations are simple, and computational speed is not a major factor in the test. You should bring with you a hand-held battery- or solar-powered calculator for use on this test. You will not be permitted to use the calculator function of your cell phone.
- 4. Understanding and interpreting written material:** These questions test how well you comprehend written material. You will be provided with brief reading selections and will be asked questions about the selections. All the information required to answer the questions will be presented in the selections; you will not be required to have any special knowledge relating to the subject areas of the selections.

***A Guide for the Written Test for Higher Level Account Clerical is available at the New York State website: [www.cs.ny.gov/testing/localtestguides.cfm](http://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/localtestguides.cfm) . Candidates not having access to a computer or the internet may request copy of the test guide from the municipal civil service office conducting this examination using the contact information found elsewhere on this announcement.***

**APPLICATION FEE WAIVED:** 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 agency. All claims for application fee waiver are subject to verification. If you can verify eligibility for application fee waiver, complete a "Request for Application Fee Waiver and Certification" form and submit it with your application by the close of business on the Application Deadline as listed on the Examination Announcement. Applications are available in the Personnel Department.

*\*The required application fee is fifteen dollars, which may be in the form of a check/money order or cash, and must accompany each application. If your application is disapproved, your examination fee will NOT be returned to you. Please make check/money order payable to Schoharie County Department of Personnel and include the examination number.*