

HAMILTON COUNTY PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

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Announces a Civil Service examination for the following:
No. 60039110 Open-Competitive
* * * POLICE OFFICER * * *
Town of Inlet Police Department

LAST FILING DATE: AUGUST 14, 2025

EXAMINATION DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 2025

APPLICATIONS: Examination applications must be obtained and filed with the Hamilton County Personnel Department. Applications are available online at https://hamiltoncounty.com/personnel. The Department recommends that you do not wait until the last day to file your application. When received in our office after 4:30 p.m., on the last filing date, the application will be rejected and returned to the applicant. The correct examination number and title must appear on the application form. EVERY question on the application should be answered and complete in all aspects. This Department does not acknowledge receipt of applications or take responsibility for non-delivery or postal delay. Failure to notify this office of a change of address may result in disqualification for examination or certification for appointment following examination. Any application you may have previously filed will not gain you admittance to this exam and will not be used to obtain additional information. You must file a separate Application for Examinations during the official period as set forth in this announcement.

DISQUALIFICATION OF EXAMINATION APPLICATIONS: When an application for an examination is disapproved by the Director of Personnel, the candidate will be given ten (10) calendar days to appeal this determination. Your appeal must clearly demonstrate that you meet or exceed the minimum qualifications as set forth on the examination announcement. Additional information must be pertinent, detailed and accurate. Your appeal must be in writing, addressed to the Personnel Office, P.O. Box 174, Lake Pleasant, NY 12108, and <u>received</u> in this department no later than 4:30 p.m. of the tenth calendar day. If the tenth calendar day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the candidate will have until 5:00 p.m. that following Monday to submit their appeal.

LOCATION OF POSITIONS/VACANCY: All positions/vacancies are in the Town of Inlet Police Department.

THE ELIGIBLE LIST ESTABLISHED AS A RESULT OF THIS EXAM WILL BE USED TO FILL POLICE OFFICER VACANCIES IN THE TOWN OF INLET POLICE DEPARTMENT.

ELIGIBLE LIST: The eligible list will remain in existence for a period of one (1) year, unless extended by the Personnel Officer to a maximum of four (4) years. When a list has existed for more than one year, it may terminate upon the establishment of a new list. This list will be used to fill all appropriate full-time or part-time competitive vacancy occurring in an agency under the jurisdiction of the Hamilton County Personnel Officer, anytime during the life of the eligible list.

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS: May be made if you require a religious accommodation, are a disabled person, or deprived of participation on the scheduled date due to active military service. Specific information must be requested when filing your application.

APPLYING FOR CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS IN MULTIPLE JURISDICTIONS WHEN EXAMINATIONS ARE SCHEDULED ON THE SAME DATE: If you have applied for any other civil service examinations to be given on the same test date for employment with New York State or any other local government jurisdiction excluding New York City, you must make arrangements to take all the examinations at one test site.

If you have applied for both <u>State</u> and <u>Local</u> government examinations, you must make arrangements to take all your examinations at the <u>State</u> examination center by calling (518) 474-6470 in the Albany area or toll free at 1-877-697-5627 (press 2, then press 1), no later than two weeks before the test date.

If you have applied for another local government examination with another local civil service agency, call or write to each civil service agency to make arrangements. You must make your request for these arrangements no later than two (2) weeks before the date of the examinations. You must notify all local government civil service agencies with who you have filed an application of the test site at which you wish

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to take your examination. For this examination call (518) 548-6375 or write to the Hamilton County Personnel Office, P.O. Box 174, 102 County View Drive, Lake Pleasant, NY 12108.

2025 Salary: Salary determined by the Town of Inlet

RESIDENCY: Candidates must, at the time of examination and at least one (1) month prior thereto, be a resident of Hamilton, Herkimer, Franklin, Oneida, or St. Lawrence County and be within a 60 mile radius of the Town of Inlet. Preferences in appointment from open-competitive lists may be given to candidates who have been residents of the locality in which appointment is to be made for one (1) month prior to the date of the written test.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES (Illustrative but not exhaustive):

- Performs road patrol of an assigned area of the municipality using a police patrol car;
- Checks doors and windows of unoccupied businesses and residential property;
- Investigates suspicious activities and makes arrests for violations of Federal and State laws and local ordinances;
- Escorts prisoners to jail and to court, and has them booked on charges;
- Watch for and make investigations of wanted and missing persons and stolen cars and property;
- Executes arrest warrants and search warrants, and serves subpoenas;
- Collects and catalogs evidence from crime scenes in accordance with established procedures;
- Interviews and takes statements from crime victims, witnesses and suspects;
- Prepares cases for court and testifies in court as needed;
- Performs criminal background checks using a networked computer system;
- Directs traffic and marks cars for overtime parking;
- Maintains order in crowds and attends parades and other public gatherings;
- Answers questions for and directs the public;
- Operates radar equipment, computer equipment, cellular phones and police radio equipment in the performance of official duties;
- Observes and reports serious defects in streets and other conditions requiring the attention of other departments;
- Make criminal investigations when assigned;
- · Make daily reports of activities;
- May be assigned to public relations, crime prevention education or community outreach activities.

The above examples of duties are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: (Either) Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma.

Age: Candidates must be at least 19 years of age on or before (examination date) to be admitted to the written test.*

- * Eligibility for appointment as a police officer begins when the candidate reaches age 20. Candidates who reach their 43rd birthday on or before the date of the written examination (9/20/25) are not qualified except as follows:
 - Candidates may have a period of military duty or terminal leave up to seven years, as defined in Section 243 (10-a) of the Military Law, deducted from their age for the purpose of meeting the age requirement.
- * Effective 9/1/25, Section 58.1(a) of the Civil Service Law requires that applicants not be "more than forty-three years of age as of the date when the applicant takes the written examination..." Candidates who may be impacted by the maximum age requirement and who are requesting an alternate test date are advised to contact the local civil service agency to discuss their request.

According to Civil Service Law, section 54 which became effective September 4, 2024, applicants who are within 12 months of meeting the minimum age requirement may take the civil service exam but will be restricted from certification until such a time that the minimum age requirement is met.

^{**}Anticipated Eligibility – Age and Educational Requirements:

Citizenship: United States Citizenship is required at time of appointment. It is not necessary for admission to the examination.

Driver's License: Candidates must possess a valid New York State Operator's license at time of appointment.

Important Information about the Professional Policing Act of 2021

Under the provisions of the Professional Policing Act of 2021, New York State Title 9 NYCRR Part 6000 and Title 9 NYCRR Part 6056 were amended to prescribe minimum training, background, and character standards for appointment of persons to police officer positions. Under the provisions of Part 6000 and Part 6056, applicants may be determined to lack good moral character if:

- 1. You were previously appointed as a police officer in New York State, were removed from said employment for cause, had your training certificate permanently invalidated by the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services and are listed on their decertification index;(link)
- 2. You are listed on the National Decertification Index after having been decertified as a police officer in any state other than New York State;
- 3. Within 3 years from the date of application, you:
 - a. Engaged in criminal activity, whether criminally charged or prosecuted, regardless of where the act took place, if said conduct would constitute an offense in New York, which is defined as:
 - (i) Any felony offense;
 - (ii) Any sex offense or sexually violent offense as defined in article 6C of the Correction Law;
 - (iii) All serious offenses defined in subdivision 17 of section 265 of the Penal Law;
 - (iv) Crimes involving official misconduct and obstruction of public servants as defined in article 195 of the Penal Law; crimes involving bribery of a public servant as defined in article 200 of the Penal Law; crimes involving perjury as defined in article 210 of the Penal Law; and/or crimes relating to judicial proceedings as defined in article 215 of the Penal Law;
 - (v) Crimes involving forgery as defined in article 170 of the Penal Law; crimes involving false written statements as defined in article 175 of the Penal Law; crimes involving fraud as defined in article 190 of the Penal Law;
 - (vi) Crimes involving assault and menacing as defined in article 120 of the Penal Law; crimes involving obscenity as defined in article 235 of the Penal Law; crimes against public sensibilities as defined in article 245 of the Penal Law; or crimes against public order as defined in article 240 of the Penal Law.
 - b. Engaged in the unlawful use of any controlled substances.
 - c. Made false statement(s) or engaged in conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert the police employment application process.
 - d. Received a dishonorable discharge from any of the Armed Forces of the United States which has not been adjusted under the terms of the New York State Restoration of Honor Act.

All experience required to meet the minimum qualification section is PAID.

Part-time experience will be pro-rated as follows:

16-23 hrs./wk....1/2 time 24-31 hrs./wk....3/4 time 32+ hrs./wk....full-time

CONVICTION OF A FELONY WILL BAR APPOINTMENT, AND CONVICTION OF A MISDEMEANOR OR OTHER OFFENSE MAY BAR PARTICIPATION IN EXAMINATION AND APPOINTMENT.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Each potential appointee will be the subject of a thorough investigation to help determine character and fitness, and to verify information provided by the applicant. Applicants must authorize access to educational, financial, military, employment, and criminal history records. Such records will be reviewed and evaluated and, if found to be inconsistent with the qualifications for appointment, will result in disqualification. Candidates who receive a satisfactory evaluation on the background investigation and meet all other requirements, which may include, but not limited to, drug testing and polygraph, may be considered for employment. Applicants may be required to pay the fingerprinting fee. Section 652 of County Law empowers the Division of Criminal Justice Services to charge a fee when it conducts a search of criminal history records in connection with an application for employment. If appointed, eligibles may be required to pay this fee.

PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION: Each potential appointee will be required to participate in a psychological evaluation to determine your fitness to perform essential duties of the position prior to

appointment. Failure to meet the standards may result in your offer of employment being rescinded or in your disqualification. An eligible will be called for a psychological assessment as needed to fill existing and anticipated vacancies.

SUBJECTS OF EXAMINATION: There will be a written test which you must pass to be considered for appointment. Only your score on the written test will be considered when computing your final score. In addition, candidates must meet the physical fitness and medical standards prescribed by the Municipal Police Training Council. Candidates must pass the written test to be scheduled for the qualifying physical fitness test.

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

Situational Judgment: These questions test the ability to identify appropriate and effective responses to work-related challenges. You will be presented with scenarios that reflect the types of challenges one could encounter in a work environment. Each scenario will be followed by several responses to the scenario. You must rate the effectiveness of each response.

Language Fluency: These questions test for the ability to read, understand, and present a clear and accurate summary of information. For some questions, you will be given a brief reading passage followed by four statements, each summarizing the information. You must then choose the best version. For other questions, you will be given several sentences, one of which contains a spelling, grammatical, or punctuation error. You must then select the line that contains the error.

Information Ordering and Language Sequencing: These questions test the ability to properly identify the sequence or order of events, or to organize information to fit a timeline. You will be given a brief reading passage followed by one or more questions. You must identify the proper sequence of events to answer one or more questions.

Problem Sensitivity and Reasoning: These questions test the ability to apply information and to identify a problem or potential problem. For some questions, you will be given information in the form of policies, rules, regulations, or laws, which will be followed by a situation. You must then identify the problem and apply the information to select the best course of action to take. For other questions, you will be given a scenario and mock witness statements. You must use this information to answer one or more questions about the scenario.

Selective Attention: These questions test the ability to focus on completing a task and to pay attention to important details while performing repetitive and monotonous tasks. You will be presented with a series of letters, symbols, and/or numbers. You must select the choice that contains the series of letters, symbols, and/or number that matches exactly.

Visualization: These questions test the ability to imagine how something will look when it is moved around or when its parts are changed, moved, or rearranged. You will be presented with an image of a face followed by four images of faces. Each face is disguised or altered in some way. Three of the images have a difference in facial structure or facial features. You must select the choice that contains the image with the identical facial structure and facial features.

Spatial Orientation: These questions test the ability to understand how to navigate within spaces or how to get from one point to another. You will be provided with a map followed by one or more questions. You must imagine yourself at a certain location and orient yourself in the direction in which you would move to get to another location by the shortest (least distance) route.

Test guide: A Guide for the Written Test for Entry-Level Law Enforcement is available at the New York State website: https://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/testguides.cfm. Candidates who do not have access to a computer or the internet may request a copy of the test guide from the municipal civil service office conducting this examination using the contact information found elsewhere on this announcement.

CALCULATOR POLICY: Quiet, hand-held, solar or battery-powered calculators are **PROHIBITED**. Devices with typewriter keyboards, "Spell Checkers", "Personal Digital Assistants", "Address Books", "Language Translators", "Dictionaries", or any similar devices are also prohibited.

AT THE EXAM THE USE OF CELLULAR PHONES, BEEPERS, ETC. ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

QUALIFYING PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST: The three elements measured in the qualifying physical fitness test are muscular endurance, absolute strength and cardiovascular capacity. The following is a brief description of the physical fitness test.

Muscular Endurance – The requirement is for a number of bent-leg sit-ups to be performed in one minute.

Push Up – This test measures muscular endurance of the upper body (anterior deltoid, pectoralis major and triceps). The requirement is for a number of full body repetitions that a candidate must complete without breaks.

Cardiovascular Activity – 1.5-mile run; the requirement is for the attainment of a score calculated in minutes and seconds.

The Municipal Police Training Council adopted the physical fitness-screening test based on the model formulated by the Cooper Institute of Aerobics Research. The minimum passing scores, depending on age and sex, represent the fortieth (40th) percentile of physical fitness as established by the Cooper Institute. http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/ops/docs/registry/policeapptsmed.pdf, will take you to the NYSDCJS web site. There you can download the pdf version of the MPTC regulations. Copies of the physical fitness and medical standards are available upon request from the Hamilton County Personnel Department.

If a candidate fails to meet any one element of the physical fitness screening test, their name will be restricted from further certification for appointment from that eligible list. Candidates would then have to wait to re-apply for the next announced Police Officer examination.

VETERANS' CREDITS: Veterans, Disabled Veterans, or candidates currently in the armed forces claiming the additional credit allowed veterans in competitive examination, must apply for such credit while filing their examination application or at any time between the date of the application but prior to the date of the establishment of the resulting eligible list. The time periods, for which veterans' credit is permitted, are defined on the examination application. To receive additional veterans' credit you must file a separate Veterans' Credit Application including acceptable supporting documentation for each examination. Veterans' Credit is added only to the score of the examination when the candidate's passing grade is 70 or higher.

CHILDREN AND SIBLINGS OF FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY CREDIT: In conformance with Sections 85-a and 85-b of the Civil Service Law, children and siblings of firefighters and police officers killed in the line of duty shall be entitled to receive an additional ten (10) points in a competitive examination for original appointment in the same municipality in which his or her parent, sister or brother has served. If you are qualified to participate in this examination and are a child or sibling 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 claiming such credit has a minimum of two (2) months from the application deadline to provide the necessary documentation to verify additional credit eligibility. However, no credit may be added after the eligible list has been established. Children and Siblings of firefighters and police officers killed in the line of duty credit is added only to the score of the examination when the candidate's passing grade is 70 or higher.

RATING AND REVIEW: This written examination is being prepared by the New York State Department of Civil Service in accordance with Section 23.2 of the Civil Service Law and Section 7.1 of the State's Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

NOTICE TO APPEAR: Approved applicants will receive an Admission Notice for the written examination providing the location and time. Late arrivals will not be admitted into the exam room under any circumstance. Please contact this office if you have not received an Admission Notice for the written examination four (4) days prior to the date of the examination by calling (518) 548-6375.

EMERGENCIES:

If an emergency prevents you from appearing for the examination, please notify this office no later than 10:00 a.m. on the Monday following the test date, providing verifiable documentation of the reasons.

Weather Emergencies: In the case of adverse weather conditions, any delay or cancellation will be on the voice mail message of the Personnel Office at (518) 548-6375 between 6:30 and 8 AM on the date of the examination.

HAMILTON COUNTY DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF RACE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, MARITAL STATUS, SEX, RELIGION, AGE OR DISABILITY IN EMPLOYMENT OR THE PROVISIONS OF SERVICES.

ISSUED: 6/17/2025