Open Competitive Exam #2395 Entry Level Police Officer Issued: May 20, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Civil Service Commission of the City of Bridgeport will hold an open competitive examination for **Entry Level Police Officer**. The written examination is tentatively scheduled to take place on August 3, 2024 at a time and location to be announced to the applicants at a later date.

The information provided herein is for informational purposes only and is intended as a general summary only. It is not, nor is to be intended to be, a Public Notice for this examination. You should not rely on this communication as a complete or binding explanation of all examination details. This summary is being provided in good faith and subject to the reasonable discretion of the Civil Service Commission Office. This summary does not constitute a contract of any kind, express or implied, between any applicant and the City of Bridgeport. This informational guide is subject to correction of any information which may have been inadvertently misstated.

SALARY RANGE: \$71,192 per year*

APPLICATION: Each candidate must complete an online application before the application closing date, which is 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, July 21, 2024**. Failure to submit an online application by the closing deadline will automatically exclude a person from participating in the examination.

All candidates filing an application must pay a non-refundable administrative filing fee. The amount of the fee for City of Bridgeport residents is \$50 (\$15 fee for the exam and \$35 for PoliceApp processing), and for persons who are non-residents of the City of Bridgeport the fee is \$70 (\$35 to the City of Bridgeport and \$35 for PoliceApp). Payments are made online when you apply at PoliceApp.com.

To apply online, click here: www.BridgeportCT.gov/bpdshift

or

To apply in person, please visit us during our business hours at:

Civil Service Office

45 Lyon Terrace Room 106

Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604

FEE WAIVERS: A filing fee is not charged if the candidate is a resident of the City of Bridgeport AND is receiving Public Assistance from the State of Connecticut, or the candidate is a City of Bridgeport resident AND his or her income falls below 185% the federal poverty level. A written request for a fee waiver must be made to the Personnel Director by **July 13, 2024**. The request can be made via email at Cob.Exams@bridgeportct.gov or delivered via mail or in-person to:

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^{*} Effective July 1st, 2024

^{**} or when, at the City's discretion, the examination capacity has been met. The City of Bridgeport reserves the right to limit the number of applications accepted so as to allow the City to hold an examination within its financial and logistical capacity to do so.

RESIDENCY POINTS: In order to qualify for residency points in accordance with Rule XV of the Civil Service Commission of the City of Bridgeport, the Civil Service Office requires that you provide irrefutable evidence to substantiate that you meet the qualifications outlined in Rule XV as a resident of the City of Bridgeport.

As the intention of Rule XV is to give those domiciled in the City of Bridgeport preference points on open competitive examinations, the Personnel Director is directed to notify all applicants that the application of the credits is a privilege subject to being withdrawn if the applicant loses domiciliary status as defined in, and in accordance with, Civil Service Commission Rule XV.

For the purpose of this Request, "DOMICILED" is defined in Rule XV as "that place where an individual has his true, fixed, and permanent home and to which whenever he is absent he has the intention of returning."

Any individual who falsely reports their domicile as the City of Bridgeport, Connecticut, who is domiciled outside the City of Bridgeport, Connecticut, will not receive the preference points, may be prohibited from competing in any future Civil Service examinations, and will be subject to the penalties set forth in Section 221 of the City Charter.

Proof of residency is required.

VETERAN'S POINTS: If you are a qualifying Veteran of the armed forces and received an honorable discharge, Veterans' preference points may be awarded to your score. In order to be considered for Veterans' preference points, you must submit a copy of your DD214 (Member-4 copy).

SUBJECTS OF EXAMINATION: Candidates for the City of Bridgeport Entry Level Police Officer Examination will undergo a written examination with a passing threshold set at 75%. Only candidates who have passed the written examination and have presented a valid CHIP card proving the ability to pass the POST-C required Cooper's Standard Physical test at the 40th percentile or greater will be invited to partake in the oral interview phase of the examination. CHIP, LLC (www.CertifyFit.com) has scheduled dates for candidates to take the Physical Ability Examination. For more information about CHIP, applicants can visit http://www.certifyfit.com/chip-test or call 203-235-5865. We will accept valid CHIP cards dated May 14, 2023 or later. The last date to take and pass the CHIP test is August 17, 2024. The City of Bridgeport cannot accept CHIP cards dated after August 17, 2024. Candidates who do not possess a valid CHIP card prior to the August 17th deadline, will not be allowed to continue in the examination process and thus be disqualified.

Eligible candidates who attain a score high enough to pass the written and oral examinations (75%) may be notified to appear at a later date for the following qualifying examinations: a polygraph test, a medical examination (including a screen for controlled substances), a psychological evaluation, and an interview with the Chief or his designee and/or a panel of ranking officers. Candidates must pass the background investigation conducted by the Bridgeport Police Department. Candidates can be disapproved for habits and conduct, medical reasons and/or an unsatisfactory driving record, unsatisfactory employment history, or financial history. A credit report/investigation may be part of the background investigation.

No candidate will be considered for appointment who has a dishonorable or bad conduct discharge from the U.S. military service. No candidate will be considered for appointment who has been convicted of a felony. No candidate will be considered for appointment who has a Class A or Class B misdemeanor as set forth in the Connecticut General Statutes.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS: The Civil Service Commission will provide reasonable accommodations for persons with a disability to take a test. If you need a special accommodation you must request it in writing stating what the disability is and providing proof of the disability. This request must be received by the Office of the Civil Service Commission at least 14 days prior to the examination date.

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