



**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
OPEN EXAMINATION
EXAMINER I (LABORATORY FIELD SERVICES)
Continuous Testing
SW80 -7949 5HAAE**



California State Government supports equal opportunity to all regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, gender, marital status, disability, religious or political affiliation, age, or sexual orientation. It is an objective of the State of California to achieve a drug-free work place. Any applicant for state employment will be expected to behave in accordance with this objective because the use of illegal drugs is inconsistent with the law of the state, the rules governing civil service, and the special trust placed in public servants.

WHO SHOULD APPLY: Persons who meet the minimum qualifications (entrance requirements) as stated on this announcement may take this examination, which is competitive.

HOW TO APPLY: Applications must be submitted via the U.S. Postal Service or hand delivered to the Department of Public Health Human Resources Office (hours are 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM). Standard State Applications (STD. 678) can be found at: <http://jobs.ca.gov/pdf/std678.pdf>. Submit Standard State Application to:

Mailing Address:
California Department of Public Health
Selection & Certification Unit
MS 1700-1702
P.O. Box 997378
Sacramento, CA 95899-7378

File in Person Address:
California Department of Public Health
Selection & Certification Unit
1501 Capitol Avenue, Suite 71.1501
Sacramento, CA 95814
Telephone: (916) 552-9212

DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD OR THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES. ALSO, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WILL NOT ACCEPT APPLICATIONS SENT ONLINE, VIA INTER-AGENCY MAIL OR FAX.

CROSS FILING INFORMATION: If you meet the entrance requirements for this classification and for Examiner II, Laboratory Field Services, you may file for both examinations on a single application. You must indicate the class title(s) for each examination you are applying on the application Form STD. 678.

FINAL FILING DATE: There is no final filing date. Testing is considered continuous as dates can be set at any time. The testing office will accept applications continuously and will notify and test applicants as needs warrant.

TESTING PERIOD: A candidate may be tested only once during any testing period. The testing period for this classification is January 1 through December 31.

SPECIAL TESTING INFORMATION: If you have a disability that requires accommodation, mark the appropriate box on the application Form STD. 678. You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

WRITTEN TEST: Written test dates will be set as needed, and will be administered in the Bay Area. Applicants will be notified, by mail, of specific date, time, and location of the written test.

SALARY RANGES: \$4306 - \$5878 per month.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS:

In addition to the salary above the California Department of Public Health offers benefits in the following areas:

- Health, Dental, and Vision
- Cash Benefit Programs
- Disability Insurance
- Work, Home, and Family
- Beneficiary and Survivor Benefits
- Awards
- Retirement and Separation Benefits
- Flexible Schedules
- Public Transit Reimbursement (limits apply)

A complete description of all benefits may be viewed at <http://www.calhr.ca.gov/Pages/home.aspx>

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT: Accepted applicants are required to bring either a photo identification card or two forms of signed identification to each phase of the examination.

POSITION DESCRIPTION: This is the journey person level of the Examiner series. Under direction, the Examiner I, Laboratory Field Services, works primarily in the capacity of a laboratory surveyor, applying professional knowledge and experience in general laboratory technology or in a specialized area to the examination and evaluation of all types of laboratory programs, and performs other duties as required. In addition, may assist Examiners II, Laboratory Field Services, in the administration of specialized areas of activity.

Positions exist with the Department of Public Health in the Bay Area and Los Angeles.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION: It is your responsibility to make sure you meet the education and/or experience requirements stated on this announcement on the date you submit your application. Your signature on your application indicates that you have read, understood, and possess the basic qualifications required.

NOTE: Applications/resumes **must** include "to" and "from" dates (month/day/year), time base, civil service class title(s), and range (if applicable) for all work experience. College course information **must** include title, number of semester or quarter units, name of institution, completion dates, and degree (if applicable).

Applications/resumes received without this information will be rejected. Please submit a copy of your official degree and transcripts as it relates to meeting the education requirements for this examination.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Qualifying experience may be combined on a proportionate basis if the following requirements include more than one pattern and are distinguished as Either I, or II, or III, etc.

Possession of a valid license as a clinical laboratory bio-analyst or scientist, or certification as a public health microbiologist issued by the California State Department of Health Services. (Applicants who do not possess the required license or certification will be admitted to the examination, but they must secure a license or certificate before they will be considered for appointment.) **And**

Either I

Two years of experience performing the duties of a Public Health Microbiologist I or Public Health Chemist I in California state service.

Or II

Experience: Three years of professional experience in a clinical or public health laboratory, two years of which must have involved one or a combination of the following:

1. Field consultation experience in the clinical or public health laboratory field; **or**
2. Supervisory experience involving supervision of professional laboratory personnel or as a laboratory director; **or**
3. Performance as a staff specialist in one or more of the technical areas of clinical or public health laboratory science. (Post-baccalaureate graduate work in clinical chemistry, medical microbiology, clinical laboratory technology or public health may be substituted on a year-for-year basis for not more than two years of the required general experience). **AND**

Education: Graduation from college with a bachelor's degree in one of the clinical laboratory sciences.

GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION: The examination will consist of a written test weighted 100%. Candidates who meet the requirements for admittance to the examination (minimum qualifications) will be scheduled to take a written test. Competitors who do not appear for the written test will be disqualified and eliminated from the examination process.

The Department of Public Health reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if circumstances under which this examination was planned, change. Such a revision will be in accordance with civil service law and rules and all competitors will be notified.

SCOPE: In addition to evaluating the candidate's relative abilities as demonstrated by quality and breadth of experience, emphasis will be placed on measuring, relative to job demands, each competitor's:

Knowledge of:

1. Technical areas of clinical or public health laboratory sciences, such as clinical chemistry, toxicology, bacteriology, immunology mycology hematology parasitology cytology or virology, including principles, techniques, equipment, and terminology used in the laboratory investigation of diseases.
2. The causes and methods of transmission and control of communicable diseases.
3. State and federal laws and regulations relating to clinical and public health laboratories, biologics production, and proficiency testing services.
4. Current developments in clinical and public health laboratory sciences, and use of available scientific resource materials.

Ability to:

1. Perform clinical laboratory tests, microbiological analyses, or other specialized technical procedures.
2. Conduct surveys and investigations of clinical and public health laboratories, blood banks, and other specialized facilities with accuracy, thoroughness, and tact.
3. Interpret and apply laws and regulations to specific cases.

4. Communicate and consult with laboratory personnel and administrators.

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION: Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70% must be attained. A departmental open list will be established for use by the department(s) listed on this announcement. The list will expire **24** months after it is established unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list warrant a change in this period.

Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) sub-divisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multi-departmental promotional, 4) service-wide promotional, 5) departmental open, and 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first.

VETERANS PREFERENCE: Veterans' preference credits will not be granted in this examination since it does not qualify as an entrance examination.

TDD is Telecommunications Device for the Deaf and is reachable only from phones equipped with a TDD device.

The California Relay (Telephone) Service for the deaf or hearing impaired:

MCI from TDD: 1-800-735-2929 MCI from voice telephone: 1-800-735-2922
Sprint from TDD: 1-888-877-5378 Sprint from voice telephone: 1-888-877-5379