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FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

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APPLICATION DATE EXTENDED FOR FISHERIES EXAMINATION

An extension of three weeks for receipt of applications--until July 3--has been granted by the U. S. Civil Service Commission "in order to secure sufficient qualified eligibles" for the recently announced fishery marketing specialist examination for positions now vacant in the Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of the Interior, according to and announcement made today by Service officials.

Applications will now be accepted at the Washington office of the U. S. Civil Service Commission until the above date. Complete information and application forms may be obtained at any first or second-class post office, or from the Commission. The extension announcement contains this note, "The rating of applications filed on or before the original closing date (June 12) and the certification of eligibles resulting therefrom will not be postponed because of this extension."

For the position of Junior Fishery Marketing Specialist, at \$2,000 a year, completion of 90 semester hours of college work is required, plus a

minimum of one year of appropriate fisheries experience. However, an additional year of experience may be substituted for 30 semester hours of the education required.

For the higher positions, i. e., Assistant Fishery Marketing Specialist at \$2,600 a year, Associate Fishery Marketing Specialist at \$3,200, Fishery Marketing Specialist at \$3,800, and Senior Fishery Marketing Specialist at \$4,600, "applicants for all positions must have completed a full 4-year course, leading to a bachelor's degree in a college or university of recognized standing, with major study in fisheries, economics, marketing, statistics, or business administration, or any combination thereof", and a minimum of two to six years of appropriate fisheries experience.

Junior Fishery Marketing Specialists will "assist in investigational work and service work relative to commercial fisheries or fishery commodities; in the collection and dissemination of information relating to production, supply, demand, movement, distribution, prices, and other phases of the marketing of fishery commodities". A written test will be held for the junior grade only. Competitors for the higher grades will not be required to report for examination but will be initially rated on the extent of their education and experience, based upon their sworn statements.

Upon the basis of experience shown by the applicants for the higher grade positions, a separate list of eligibles in each grade may be established for each of the following optional subjects: 1. Fishery market news; 2. Transportation of fishery products; 3. Collection, analysis, and interpretation of fishery statistics; and 4. General fishery economic and market research.

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