# Senior Account Clerk Typist (Promotional) Tompkins County

**Department:** Various Agencies Throughout Tompkins County

**Classification:** Competitive

Labor Grade: H (8) for Sr. AC; I (9) for Sr. ACT

**Approved:** 0

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## **QUALIFYING EXPERIENCE FOR TAKING THE EXAMINATION:**

This intergovernmental promotion examination is limited to current employees of the Tompkins County Departments, the Tompkins County Public Library, Tompkins-Cortland Community College, T-S-T BOCES, and all of the various Towns, Villages, School Districts and Special Districts under Tompkins County's jurisdiction. Promotional applicants must currently hold, and have held continuously **EITHER:** 

(a) One year of full-time (or the equivalent part-time) competitive class status in any entry level account clerical position, Administrative Assistant - Level 1 (or any other position/title that the Commissioner of Personnel determines to be qualifying);

OR

**(b)** Six months of full-time (or the equivalent part-time) competitive class status in the title of Administrative Assistant - Level 2 any other senior level clerical position which includes the performance of account clerical duties.

Tompkins County is Committed to Equity and Inclusion. We encourage those with similar values to apply.

## **DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:**

This is moderately difficult clerical work involving the independent performance and supervision of a financial account and record keeping process. The work may require decision-making as to methods to be used and classification of records and accounts. This specifi-cation encompasses two titles; Senior Account Clerk and Senior Account Clerk Typist. The main difference between the two is that a Senior Account Clerk Typist spends a substantial amount of time operating an alphanumeric keyboard such as a typewriter, word processor or personal computer in the performance of their duties. The incumbent works under general supervision and may super-vise and train lower level clerical workers. This position differs from Account Clerk in that duties are more complex; level of responsibility is higher and supervisory responsibilities may be included. The incumbent will perform all related duties as required.

## **TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:**

- Reviews a variety of more complex financial documents, classifies them and distributes items into a variety of accounts according to prescribed procedures and policies;
- Posts figures to appropriate accounts, makes all necessary adjustments in balances and verifies and reconciles balances;
- Renews status of accounts as adjustments are made and takes appropriate action as authorizing payment, issuing checks
  or preparing bills;
- Tracks audits and monitors a variety of accounts; verifies adjustments are made to correct allocations and issues reports as required;
- Supervises employees by assigning and reviewing completed work and instructing employees in specialized account keeping activities;
- Prepares more complex financial or statistical summary reports; checks for accuracy of computations and completeness
  or supervises the preparation of daily, weekly and monthly reports which are compiled into summary reports or claims
  for federal or state reimbursements;
- Prepares funds for deposit into book accounts; reconciles accounts and prepares reports from information; Contacts clients, vendors or other agencies to obtain additional information;
- Provide information orally or in writing in response to inquiries on status of accounts;
- Processes, sorts, indexes, records and files a variety of control records and reports, or supervises the process;
- May assist in preparation of figures and reports for use in budget preparation;
- Does more complex payroll transactions or may do payroll for entire department and prepare all related reports;
- Operates a calculator, check writing machine and other office related equipment;

- Senior Account Clerk Typists (working from a rough draft or from data which is personally developed) prepare accounting and financial statements, payrolls, statistical tabulations and data, form letters, memoranda, vouchers, reports, requisitions and other material using a typewriter, word processor or personal computer;
- May be required to edit and update web pages.

#### KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

- Good knowledge of modern methods used in keeping and checking financial records and accounts;
- Good knowledge of office terminology, procedures, equipment and business English;
- Ability to plan, assign and supervise the work of account keeping and clerical assistants;
- Ability to make more difficult arithmetic computations involving fractions, decimals and percentage accurately;
- Ability to organize and maintain accurate records and files;
- Ability to analyze and organize data and prepare records and reports;
- Ability to understand and interpret complicated oral instructions and/or written directions;
- Ability to develop effective working relationships and deal diplomatically with the public;
- Ability to perform close, detail work involving considerable visual effort and strain; Integrity and good judgment are required;
- The employee's physical condition shall be commensurate with the demands of the position.

**Senior Account Clerk Typists** (in addition to the above) must possess the ability to operate an alphanumeric keyboard such as typewriter, word processor or personal computer (speed is not a significant factor).

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