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## County of Chautauqua in the State of New York Announces:

### PARAMEDIC

Examination Number #1334

Salary: County of Chautauqua - \$22.15 - \$28.64/Hour

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



**Examination To Be Held Frequently**

**Applications Accepted Continuously**

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Exam announcements and application forms are available on the Internet at [chqgov.com](http://chqgov.com) - Click on "Employment"

**EXAMINATION PROCESSING FEE:** A non-refundable examination processing fee of \$15.00 is required for each separately numbered examination for which you apply. The examination processing fee may be paid either by sending a check or money order payable to the Director of Finance (please write the examination number and title on your check/money order), paying in-person with a valid credit card, or payment by phone (must have application in office). We cannot accept cash. As no refund will be made, you are urged to review the examination announcement carefully, to compare your qualifications with the requirements for admission, and to file only for those examinations for which you are clearly qualified.

**EXAMINATION PROCESSING FEE WAIVER:** A waiver of examination processing fee will be allowed if you are unemployed and primarily responsible for the support of a household. In addition, a waiver of examination processing fee will be allowed if you are determined eligible for Medicaid, or receiving Supplemental Security Income payments, or Public Assistance (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families/Family Assistance or Safety Net Assistance) or are certified Job Training Partnership Act/Workforce Investment Act eligible through a State or local social service agency. All claims for examination processing fee waiver are subject to verification. If you can verify eligibility for an examination processing fee waiver, complete the appropriate section of the Application and submit it by the Application Deadline as listed on the Examination Announcement. Applications and additional information may be obtained from the Internet at [chqgov.com](http://chqgov.com) click on "Employment" or by contacting the Chautauqua County Department of Human Resources, Gerace Office Building, Mayville, New York 14757. Phone (716) 753-4237.

**APPLICATION FORM:** Your application for this test is part of the examination process. Applications must be completely filled out, with all pertinent information stated. Vagueness or ambiguity will not be interpreted in your favor. We do not refer to other applications on file for additional information. Applications that do not show training and/or experience to meet minimum qualifications may be disapproved. The application must be completed fully even if a resume is attached.

**VACANCIES:** The eligible list resulting from this examination will be used to fill appropriate vacancies as they occur in the Chautauqua County Department of Emergency Services. Successful examination candidates will have a maximum of 1 year of eligibility when placed on the eligible list. Candidate's names will be inter-filed on the continuing eligible list in rank order regardless of the date on which they took the test. Chautauqua County reserves the right to terminate the continuous recruitment program at any time.

**DUTIES:** A Paramedic is responsible for administering primary emergency medical care and advanced life support to persons who have suffered physical trauma from injury or illness at the scene and during transport in an ambulance to a hospital for more comprehensive and intensive treatment. The work is performed under the general supervision of a supervising Paramedic or another designated administrator with leeway allowed for exercise of independent judgement in carrying out the tasks of treatment and patient care. Does related work as required.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma and possession of the following credentials at time of application, appointment and during service in this classification:

1. An Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic certification issued by the New York State Department of Health; and
2. Possession of a driver's license from another U.S. state or territory or federal district and eligibility to exchange said driver's license for a New York State class D driver's license.
3. Completion certificate for an emergency vehicle operation course (EVOC) from a recognized agency.
4. Possession of a Basic Life Support (BLS) training certificate from a recognized training agency.
5. Possession of an Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) training certificate from a recognized agency.
6. Possession of a Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) training certificate from a recognized agency.
7. Possession of a Trauma Life Support (TLS) training certificate from a recognized agency.

**NO RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT:** At the time of certification, preference in appointment may be given to successful candidates who are legal residents of Chautauqua County, in which the appointment is to be made.

**SUBJECTS OF EXAMINATION:** There will be no written or oral test for this examination. Candidates who meet the minimum qualifications will receive an evaluation of their training and experience against the background of the duties of the position.

Attach to your application a summary of your training and experience. Be as concrete and specific as possible; vagueness and ambiguity will NOT be resolved in your favor.

In your summary of training indicate all training including any formal coursework which was not a part of a degree program or which has not yet resulted in a degree. Indicate your participation in any continuing education programs including any convocations, seminars, workshops, etc., in which you have participated over the past five years. Show the approximate dates and length of such programs and the nature of your participation.

In your summary of experience include a comprehensive description of each relevant position you have held and the duties of the position. Also where applicable, indicate the percentage of time spent in performing specific duties.

**CANDIDATE RESPONSIBILITY:** It is the responsibility of candidates to provide all necessary documentation and to complete all relevant parts of the application. To receive credit for experience – either qualifying or against a rating score – they must show basic information such as employer name and address, name and title of supervisor, hours worked per week, dates of employment to include month and year started and ended, etc. A copy of a verifiable transcript for required education and a copy of the required license or professional certificate must be submitted.

All information must be submitted by close of filing. Candidates who submit incomplete applications and documentation may be disqualified.

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## **GENERAL INFORMATION/INSTRUCTIONS**

**Continuous Recruitment Examination:** Applications for examination are continuously accepted and are held two or more times throughout the year. When the next exam date has been determined, approved applications received by a deadline date will be included in the next scheduled exam date.

**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER:** It is the policy of Chautauqua County to provide for and promote equal opportunity in employment, compensation and other terms and conditions of employment without discrimination on the basis of age, race, (including traits historically associated with race, including but not limited to, hair texture and protective hair styles) creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, sex, disability, genetic predisposition or carrier status, marital status, arrest record or status as a victim of domestic violence, familial status, gender/gender expression, reproductive health decisions, citizenship or immigration status, or any other factor prohibited by law. Employment decisions are based on qualifications, merit and business needs. The policy can be obtained at [chggov.com](http://chggov.com).

**MULTIPLE EXAMINATIONS SCHEDULED FOR THE SAME DAY:** If you have applied to take a written test announced by either one or several local jurisdictions (county, town, city) scheduled to be held on the same test date as this written test, you must notify each of the **local jurisdictions no later than two weeks before the test date**, so they can make arrangements for taking all tests at one test site. All examinations for positions in State government will be held at a State examination center. **Cross-file application forms are available on the Internet at [chggov.com](http://chggov.com)** or by contacting the Chautauqua County Department of Human Resources, Gerace Office Building, Mayville, New York 14757. Phone (716) 753-4237.

**LEGAL AUTHORIZATION TO WORK IN THE UNITED STATES:** Federal Immigration Law requires employers to verify that all persons hired are legally authorized to work in the United States. If you are hired, you will be asked to swear, under penalty of perjury, that you are legally authorized to work in the U.S., and you will be required to submit proof of that authorization.

**CURRENT/PROSPECTIVE MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS:** New York State Law provides for Military Make-up Tests in cases where candidates cannot attend the scheduled test on the published test date due to active military duty. You must file an application for this examination in accordance with this examination announcement and you must request the special test arrangements, which are available. If you expect to enter military service, you may still compete in this examination and be appointed or reinstated after you return from active duty. Contact our office for details.

**THIS EXAMINATION IS BEING RATED:** by the New York State Department of Civil Service in accordance with Section 23-2 of the Civil Service Law. The provisions of the New York State Civil Service Rules and Regulations dealing with the rating and review of examinations will apply to this test.

**ALTERNATE TEST DATES:** State and local examination policy does permit alternate test dates for certain compelling reasons. For details or to request an alternate test date, contact the Department of Human Resources.

**LOCATION OF EXAM SITE:** Examinations are held in Mayville unless for reasons beyond our control, we must change the test site.

**VETERAN CANDIDATES:** Veterans or disabled veterans who are eligible for additional credit must submit an application for veteran's credit with their application for examination or at any time between the dates of their application for examination and the date of the establishment of the resulting eligible list. Applications for veteran's credit are available from this office. Veteran's credits can only be added to a passing score on the examination.

Effective January 1, 1998, the State Constitution was amended to permit a candidate currently in the armed forces to apply for and be conditionally granted veteran's credit in examinations. Any candidate who applies for such credit must provide proof of military status to receive the conditional credit. No credit may be granted after the establishment of the list. It is the responsibility of the candidate to provide appropriate documentary proof indicating that the candidate received an honorable discharge or was released under honorable conditions in order to be certified at a score including veteran's credits.

**SECTION 85-a OF THE CIVIL SERVICE LAW:** Effective 9/17/02, children of firefighters and police officers killed in the line of duty shall be entitled to receive an additional ten points in a competitive examination for original appointment in the same municipality in which his or her parent has served. If you are qualified to participate in this examination and are a child 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 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.

**ADMISSION TO EXAMINATION:** Notice to appear for the examination will be conditional, as review of applications for minimum requirements may not be made until after the written test. Call the Chautauqua County Human Resources Office if you have not received your notice 3 days before the date of the examination. You may not be admitted to the examination room without official notice.

**RELIGIOUS ACCOMMODATIONS AND OTHER SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS:** Most written tests are held on Saturdays. If you cannot take the test on the announced test date due to a conflict with a religious observance or practice, please contact our office so that we can make arrangements for you to take the test on a different date.

Applicants with disabilities who require special arrangements should contact our office by the close of the filing period for the examination.

You may contact us by calling or writing the Chautauqua County Department of Human Resources, Room 144, Gerace office Building, Mayville, New York 14757. Ph. (716) 753-4237.

**RATINGS REQUIRED:** Tests are rated on a scale of 100 with the passing mark at 70. Unless the announcement states otherwise you must pass the written test and the oral test, if any. Test instructions may further divide the tests into parts and set minimum standards for each part.

**VERIFICATION OF QUALIFICATIONS:** Candidates may be investigated or called for an interview to determine whether they are qualified for appointment. In addition to meeting specific requirements, candidates must be of good moral character and habits.

**MEDICAL EXAMINATION/BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION:** Applicants may be required to take a medical examination to determine if you are medically and physically capable of performing the duties of the position. You may also be required to undergo a State and national criminal history background investigation, which will include a fingerprint check, to determine suitability for appointment. Failure to meet the standards for the background investigation may result in disqualification.

**ELIGIBLE LIST:** The eligible list resulting from an examination may also be used for appointment to the same title or to any other title deemed to be similar and appropriate.