



**LIBRARY CLERK I (OC)**  
**NYS #60023070 RC/EL #25088010**

Examination to be held **May 3, 2025**; Last filing date **March 28, 2025**

A \$15 non-refundable application filing fee is required. Please refer to Supplement A for further information regarding the application/examination process. Applications are available at: <https://mycivilservice.rocklandgov.com/exams>.

1. If applying online, completed applications and electronic payment must be submitted by 11:59 PM EST on the last filing date.
2. If applying by mail, completed applications must be postmarked no later than the last filing date accompanied by a check or money order made payable to the Rockland County Commissioner of Finance.

**POSITION EXISTS IN:** Finkelstein Memorial Library, Haverstraw King's Daughters Public Library, Pearl River Public Library and Sloatsburg Public Library.

Some of the agencies/departments listed above may not have vacancies or be filling their vacancies at this time.

**RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS:** Candidates must be legal residents of the States of New York, New Jersey or Connecticut at the time of application submission for the examination.

**SALARY:** The starting salary is \$50,664.25 for a 35-hour workweek with Pearl River Public Library. Salary will be pro-rated for less than full-time positions. Salary may vary in other locations.

**WHAT THE JOB IS LIKE:** This is specialized clerical work which involves providing support to the library staff in the efficient operation of the library. This includes assisting patrons with locating and checking out materials, organizing and shelving books, maintaining library records, performing circulation activities, and ensuring a welcoming and orderly library environment. The clerical duties of this position require an understanding of library terminology, application of library practices, principles and services, carrying out assignments independently and the use of judgment in handling a variety of clerical duties. The work is performed in accordance with prescribed procedure under the supervision of a professional librarian or higher-level clerical employee. Work direction (e.g. lead work) may be exercised over lower-level clerical employees. Does related work as required.

**When completing the application, your description of experience must specify the dates of your employment, the number of hours worked per week, your title, and the main duties for each. Be specific; vagueness will not be resolved in your favor. Candidates who submit incomplete applications or documentation may be disqualified.**

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** At the time of application submission, you must have: Graduation from high school or possession of an equivalency diploma and two (2) years of clerical experience; one (1) year of which must have been library clerical work.

**NOTES:**

1. Additional qualifying experience or any academic, technical or vocational training may be substituted for schooling on a year-for-year basis.
2. Post high school education may be substituted for the one (1) year of general clerical experience on the basis of thirty (30) college credits per year of experience.

**ALL OUTSTANDING APPLICATION DOCUMENTATION:** Must be submitted to the Rockland County Department of Personnel no later than two (2) weeks prior to the exam date. Failure to comply with the deadlines set herein may result in the disapproval of your application; disqualification from sitting for the examination; and/or disqualification from a resulting list of eligible candidates. These deadlines are subject to change by the Rockland County Department of Personnel upon notice to a candidate.

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**SUBJECT OF WRITTEN EXAMINATION:**

1. **Fundamentals of Working in a Library** – These questions are designed to evaluate the candidate's knowledge about the common terms and concepts used in various sections of a library (e.g., Circulation, Reference, Technical Processing, etc.); the procedures associated with shelving, storing, checking out and receiving library materials; and the proper methods of using equipment commonly found in a library and of handling, processing and storing library materials.
2. **Name and Number Checking** – These questions test for the ability to distinguish between sets of words, letters, and/or numbers that are almost exactly alike. Material is usually presented in two or three columns, and you will have to determine how the entry in the first column compares with the entry in the second column and possibly the third. You will be instructed to mark your answers according to a designated code provided in the directions.
3. **Customer Service** – These questions test for knowledge of techniques used to interact with other people, to gather and present information, and to provide assistance, advice and effective customer service in a courteous and professional manner. Questions will cover such topics as understanding and responding to people with diverse needs, perspectives, personalities, and levels of familiarity with agency operations, as well as acting in a way that both serves the public and reflects well on your agency.

**USE OF CALCULATORS IS RECOMMENDED FOR THIS EXAMINATION**

**TEST GUIDE:** The New York State Department of Civil Service has not prepared a test guide for this examination. However, candidates may find information in the publication 'General Guide to Written Tests' helpful in preparing for this test. This publication is available online at: <https://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/testguides.cfm>.

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