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SCOPE

This policy addresses promotion of City employees whether serving in a Civil Service or non-Civil Service position. A promotion is a movement by the employee from an existing position to a vacant and funded position of a higher classification and grade. Exceptions in setting and calculating salary in the promotional grade are set forth in order to provide a consistent application of the salary rule upon promotion of an employee.

PROMOTION CONDITIONS

A promotion may be authorized only when the following conditions exist:

Case I

• A vacant position is available and funded in a class and grade higher than that in which the employee is currently filling;

In this case, an employee is required to pass the certification examination and to be selected from that list.

Case II

• An existing position is reclassified to a higher grade and class for which funding is available.

This case involves the reclassification of an existing position to a position, which is in a higher classification and grade. The rules for establishing salary for promotion or "reclassification" are identical.

RESPONSIBILITY

It is the responsibility of the appointing officer to insure that the employee meets all job qualifications for promotion, that the vacant position is within a classification assigned to the organizational unit, and to obtain funding approval for the promotion from the Bureau of the Budget and Management Research. A promotion may not occur without funding approval.

RECLASSIFICATION

A promotion may occur when an employee occupies a position which, as a result of a Civil Service Salary Study, is subsequently reclassified to that of a higher classification.

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QUALIFICATIONS

Minimum qualifications to be met by an employee filling a position within the classified Civil Service are established by the Civil Service Commission. Specific requirements relative to education and/or experience are indicated on Civil Service job announcements.

An individual's previous experience must meet the qualifications of a like class in the same occupational area in order to be credited to the employee. When considering previous experience, approved out-of-title work will qualify as necessary experience, but service performed in an "in lieu" capacity will not apply. The appointing officer is responsible for verifying, as necessary, that a candidate for promotion possesses the required qualifications.

Minimum qualifications for promotion to non-Civil Service positions are established by the appropriate agency head.

EMPLOYMENT LISTS

Candidates for promotion to a position in a Civil Service classified class must be selected from a current Civil Service employment eligibility list. Appointing officers are required to interview 5 candidates (the first 5 when the list is ranked) from the list of eligibles when filling a vacant position in a Civil Service classified class. The employment eligibility lists for positions in Civil Service classified classes may be obtained from the Civil Service Commission Support Services Division.

Employment eligibility lists for Civil Service unclassified classes are maintained at the agency level.

Employment eligibility lists for labor positions within the Civil Service classified classes are maintained at the Office of the Mayor.

CITY RESIDENCY

City residency may be a qualifying factor for promotion as determined by the appointing official.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF SALARY CHANGE

An employee's effective date of promotion may not be in advance of the date of issue of the employment eligibility list, Board of Estimates as applicable, or the EMPLOYEE ACTION REQUEST (EAR) which cites funding approval.

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The effective date of salary change is determined as follows:

- If the employee's date of promotion falls within the first half of a payroll period, the salary change is effective the first day of that payroll period.
- If the employee's date of promotion falls within the second half of a payroll period, the salary change is effective the first day of the following payroll period.

SALARY GUIDELINES

The salary of an employee being promoted to that of a higher classification and grade is computed as follows:

Strip any addendum, e.g., merit, longevity, etc., from the employee's current salary such that the "salary" has been reduced to that of Hiring, Full Performance or Experienced/Senior Level as applicable depending on the designated representation code of the employee's position.

- CALCULATION A: Determine the difference in salary between the employee's present level and the next level in his/her current grade; then
- CALCULATION B: Determine the difference in salary between the employee's present level and the hiring level of the promotional grade.

If the figure obtained from "A" is less than that of "B", then the employee will be placed at the hiring level of the higher grade.

If the figure obtained from "A" is equal to or greater than that of "B", the employee will be advanced to that level within the promotional grade which is 1 level above the next level used in calculation "A". Restore longevity monies to non-MAPS employees only.

EXCEPTIONS

In order to provide consistency in the application of the salary rule certain exceptions should be noted in calculating the salary and in promotional grade placement.

MAPS GRADES

In those cases involving MAPS 100 and 600 grades, and for computation purposes only, treat merits as "levels" and utilize the same formulas in A & B above to determine promotional salary placement.

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• PROMOTIONAL GRADE/SALARY PLACEMENT

If the application of the salary rule fails to yield at least a 4% increase from the current salary which the employee is receiving, place the employee on the level in the promotional grade which provides at least a 4% increase from the employee's current salary. The employee shall not be placed above the top level of the promotional grade, even if such placement yields less than a 4% increase. An employee in grade "999" or who is being promoted to grade "999", shall have his promotional salary calculated according to the 4% increase provision. The salary rule computation shall not apply in this instance.

RELATED POLICIES

AM-204-30	DETERMINATION OF BENEFITS - PART I
AM-204-31	DETERMINATION OF BENEFITS - PART II
AM-205-1	SALARY
AM-214-1	OUT-OF-TITLE WORK
AM-230-3	CREATION AND ABOLISHMENT OF POSITIONS
AM-230-4	RECLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS
AM-231-1	HIRING AND TRANSFERS
AM-235-1	PROCEDURAL DETAILS ON PROMOTING AN EMPLOYEE
AM-237-1	POSITIONS OF TRUST
AM-290-1	SALARY SCHEDULES
AM-290-15	SALARY SCHEDULES
AM-291-1	CIVIL SERVICE CLASSES
AM-291-2	NON-CIVIL SERVICE CLASSES

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