

Appraiser Trainee Exam

General Questions – Qualifying, Written Test

- 1. I am scheduled to participate in the Appraiser Trainee written exam. Do you provide public parking?**

No. Each candidate is responsible to make accommodations for parking or public transportation. Be sure to allow sufficient time to arrive before your scheduled appointment for the written exam.
- 2. What do I need to bring to be admitted to the written exam?**

Please be sure to bring your written exam admittance letter and valid photo I.D. (i.e. Driver License, U.S. Passport, or County employee I.D.).
- 3. I cannot find my written exam admittance letter. Will I still be allowed to participate?**

Please contact the Recruitment Unit for further instructions at (213) 974-3161.
- 4. Do I need to bring any supplies/materials for the written exam?**

No. All written exam materials will be provided to all participating candidates, including answer sheets, scratch paper, and pencils. Calculators will not be permitted for this exam.
- 5. How long is the written exam?**

All participating candidates will be afforded two (2) hours to complete the written exam. Please allow approximately 2 ½ hours for the entire testing process.
- 6. Will I be provided with my results the day of the exam?**

No. The results of the written exam will be mailed via U.S. Postal Service within approximately 2 – 3 weeks of the test date.
- 7. How do I prepare for the written exam?**

The County of Los Angeles has developed several test preparation guides to assist you in your preparation for a County of Los Angeles written employment test. These guides address subject areas that are commonly assessed on County written employment tests. To access online and printable guides, please visit the LA County DHR website at: [Employment Test Prep Guides](#)
- 8. Can you provide me with sample written exam questions in advance?** No. Please refer to the “Examination Content” section of the exam bulletin and FAQ #7.
- 9. What if I am unable to attend the written exam as scheduled in the written notice?**

In accordance with Rule 7.12, candidates who are unable to appear as originally scheduled may request an early/late administration of the written exam. Please contact the Recruitment Unit as soon as possible for further instructions at (213) 974-3161.
- 10. What if I need verification of participation in the written exam?**

Please inform one of the exam analysts on site prior to leaving the examination room so that a verification form can be provided.
- 11. What if I need to request a special accommodation?**

Please contact the Recruitment Unit as soon as possible for further instructions at (213) 974-3161.

12. How many appraiser trainees do you plan to hire at this time? Typically, Appraiser Trainee classes range from 20 to 30 appraiser trainees. However, class size is subject to current departmental needs and available budget.

13. What is the starting salary for an appraiser trainee?

Appraiser Trainees earn the flat, monthly rate of \$3,485.12.*

14. I'm already a County employee and earn more than the starting salary of an Appraiser Trainee; will I maintain my current salary?

No. Appraiser Trainees earn the flat, monthly rate of \$3,485.12.* Upon successful completion of the Appraiser Trainee program, Appraisers earn a starting monthly salary of \$3,705.74.*

15. Will you accept phone calls/inquiries on my behalf? No. In consideration of candidate confidentiality, we will only disclose personal information to the candidate.

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General Questions - Structured Interviews

1. Can I submit additional documentation, such as letters of recommendation, cover letters, and resumes at the time of my scheduled interview?

No.

2. Can you provide me with the names of the interviewers?

The names of your interviewers will be provided to you during the check-in process the day of your interview.

3. Can you provide me with the interview questions in advance?

No. To preserve the integrity of this exam, and in fairness to all participating candidates, the interview questions cannot be provided in advance.

4. How long will the interview process last?

All participating candidates will be afforded 30 minutes for the structured interview. Please allow approximately one (1) hour for the entire interview process.

5. I am scheduled to participate in the Appraiser Trainee structured interview. Do you provide public parking?

No. Each candidate is responsible to make accommodations for parking or public transportation. Be sure to allow sufficient time to arrive before your scheduled structured interview.

6. Will I be expected to complete a writing sample as part of the structured interview?

No.

7. How should I dress for the interview?

It is recommended that you dress in professional, business attire suitable for an office environment.