

When not attending lectures or practical sessions at the institute or technical college, trainees will work in the departments to which they have been appointed and will participate in the departmentally conducted training programme including on-the-job training and experience.

The course of training will be not less than four part-time years. The period of the traineeship may be reduced where the person appointed or promoted as Trainee Technical Officer (Engineering) has already completed one or more years of the prescribed course.

7. Salary During Training—The following salaries will be paid to trainees:

Age	Male \$(S)	Female \$(S)
Under 18	1,625	1,492
At 18	1,893	1,704
At 19	2,178	1,904
At 20	2,434	2,085
Adult	3,177	2,775

Note—The method of calculating salaries paid to female officers is shown in the preamble to the Promotions section of this Gazette.

The provisions of G.O.2/C/2 and 7/A/23 will apply to remuneration of permanent officers promoted as Trainee Technical Officer (Engineering).

8. Fees—Fees for all subjects studied under the training course will be paid by the Department.

9. Advancement on Completion of Training—On successful completion of the approved course of training, including examinations, a Trainee Technical Officer (Engineering) will advance to the designation of Technical Officer (Engineering).

Advancement will be made under the provisions of section 53B and will not be subject to appeal.

Upon completion of training an officer may be required to take up duty in a State or at a centre other than that in which he was trained.

10. Unsatisfactory Progress—Where a trainee fails to obtain satisfactory results at any examination or otherwise fails to make satisfactory progress in his course of training, the Permanent Head of the Department will report to the Public Service Board as to the general efficiency and aptitude of the officer, and his fitness to continue the traineeship. Upon receipt of such report, the Board will decide whether the traineeship should be terminated and the officer transferred to such other office as may be deemed appropriate, or whether that traineeship will be continued under modified conditions. In the case of an officer on probation, consideration may also be given to annulment of appointment.

11. Contract of Service—No contract of service is required.

12. Submission of Applications—Further information and application forms are available from the Commonwealth Public Service Inspector in your State or Territory of residence.

Each applicant should submit only one application form, irrespective of the number or location of the vacancies in which he is interested and this should be returned to the Commonwealth Public Service Inspector in your State or Territory of residence.

APPOINTMENT OR PROMOTION AS TRAINEE TECHNICAL OFFICER (ENGINEERING)

APPLICATIONS are invited for appointment or promotion as Trainee Technical Officer (Engineering), (\$1,625-3,177(S)) in various Commonwealth departments including Air, Army, Civil Aviation, National Development, Postmaster-General's, Supply and Works. There are vacancies in Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia and the Australian Capital Territory.

2. Persons Eligible to Apply—

- (i) Subject to section 47A(2)* of the Public Service Act 1922-1968 persons not less than 16 years on 1 Jan. 1970 preferably and not more than 28 years who are undertaking an approved course in (Engineering) at a technical college or institute.
- (ii) Permanent officers, preferably under the age of 28 years who are currently undertaking or are eligible to enrol in an approved course in (Engineering) at a technical college or institute.

Applications will be accepted from permanent officers who are contesting examinations in 1969, success at which will confer eligibility to enrol in an approved course.

Preference will be given to applicants who have already completed one or more stages of the course of training or who may obtain exemptions from certain of the subjects in the course of training by virtue of his results at the normal end of the secondary school examinations.

* See under 'Concession to ex-Servicemen' on page 355 of Gazette No. 4 of 13 January 1969.

3. Period of Eligibility—Eligibility for appointment will terminate on 30 September 1971. Successful applicants will be expected to commence training as soon as possible.

4. Order of Selection—Selection of applicants as Trainee Technical Officer (Engineering) in each State will be made in order of merit for that State. The order of merit will be determined on the basis of the report of the State selection committee, qualifications and such other matters as are considered relevant.

5. Conditions of Appointment or Promotion—Selected applicants from outside the Commonwealth Service will be appointed as Trainee Technical Officer (Engineering). Appointment will be on 12 months probation.

Selected permanent officers of the Commonwealth Service will be promoted as Trainee Technical Officer (Engineering) (\$1,625-3,177(S)) and are subject to the right of appeal under section 50 of the Public Service Act 1922-1968.

6. Course of Training—Trainee Technical Officer (Engineering) will be required to undertake a course of part-time study leading to a qualification approved by the Board at an Institute of Technology, Technical College or other educational institution approved by the Board, together with such additional periods of departmental training as may be required.