



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte
Health Service Executive

Regional Public Analyst – Grade Code 3759

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 22 of the Health Act 2004, I hereby approve the qualifications, as set out hereunder, for the appointment and continuing as **Regional Public Analyst**.

1. Professional Qualifications, Experience, etc

Candidates must

- (a) hold a recognised first or second class honours degree in which Chemistry, Food Chemistry, Food Science, Microbiology or Bio-Chemistry was a major subject or option in the final examination or hold an equivalent professional qualification;
- (b) have, after attaining the degree or qualification at (a) above, at least ten years' satisfactory laboratory experience at least five years of which were spent in one or more of the following:
 - (i) the chemical or microscopical analysis of Food, Drugs, Water or Effluents
or
 - (ii) the Microbiological examination of Food, Drugs, Water or Effluents
or
 - (iii) the use of Instrumental techniques that are employed in the analysis of Food, Drugs, Water or Effluents;
- (c) possess the requisite knowledge and ability (including a high standard of suitability) for the proper discharge of the duties of the post.

2. Age

Age restriction shall only apply to a candidate where he/she is not classified as a new entrant (within the meaning of the Public Service Superannuation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2004). A candidate who is not classified as a new entrant must be under 65 years of age on the first day of the month in which the latest date for receiving completed application forms for the office occurs.

3. Health

Candidates for and any person holding the office must be fully competent and capable of undertaking the duties attached to the office and be in a state of health such as would indicate a reasonable prospect of ability to render regular and efficient service.

4. Character

Candidates for and any person holding the office must be of good character.

Dated this 17th day of August two thousand and nine

Séan McGrath
National Director of Human Resources