



OFFICER TEST (FSOT)

REGISTER FOR THE FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER TEST

The Foreign Service exam will be administered at the U.S. embassy in Podgorica on February 2009. Firm dates of testing are still TBD, but testing will take place sometime during the week of February 7-14, 2009. Stay tuned for more information.

Please bear in mind that, the number of appointments assigned to take the FSOT in Podgorica will be limited.

U.S. citizens who are interested in taking the Foreign Service officer test should visit www.careers.state.gov to get information on the exam and register for the test. The website also has information on many different career opportunities with the department of state.

Additional detailed information can be found at <http://www.careers.state.gov/officer/index.html>

and <http://www.careers.state.gov/officer/register.html>, where you can also register to take the test.

Note: scheduling for the February test window will begin on 01/05/2009. If you wish to schedule an appointment at an international site, you must have your registration submitted by 1/28/2009. Scheduling for international sites will close on 02/03/2009. If you are planning to test in February at a domestic site, you must have your registration completed by 02/06/2009.

Who qualifies?

There are several important eligibility requirements:

- All applicants must be U.S. citizens on the date they submit their registration package.
- On the day you submit your registration, you must be at least 20 years old and no older than 59 years of age.
- on the day you are appointed as a foreign service officer, you must be at least 21 years old, and not yet 60.
- You must also be available for worldwide assignments*, including Washington, D.C.

No specific educational level, or proficiency in a foreign language is required for applicants. You are not required to know a foreign language to become a Foreign Service officer, but proficiency in one or more languages will enhance your competitiveness for selection.

Candidates should also bear in mind that Foreign Service officers are expected to take assignments that can involve extremely difficult work, hardship, and even danger. We are looking for capable, healthy, dedicated candidates who are prepared to step up to the challenges the Foreign Service faces in today's world.