Michigan Civil Service Commission

Regulation 3.01

Subject:		
Alternative Assessment and Selection Process		
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1. Purpose

This regulation establishes standards and procedures to for use of an approved alternative assessment and selection processes that may to be used instead lieu of CCivil SS ervice written, electronic, or other appraisal methods. The alternative process offers an option to the exclusive use of applicant pools maintained by Civil Service.

2. CSC Rule References

3-1 Examinations

3-1.1 Authority

Civil service staff shall prepare or approve examinations for all classified positions. Examinations are referred to as appraisal methods in these rules.

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3. Standards

- **A.** An appointing authority may submit an alternative plan <u>for the to</u> recruit<u>ment</u>, assess<u>ment</u>, and selection of employees to fill position vacancies. The plan can be designed to fill a specific position, all positions in a <u>particular</u>-classification, or positions in an identified group of similar classifications.
- **B.** Civil Service staff shall provide technical guidance upon request. Staff shall provide and assistance in the developingment or usinge of appropriate assessment methods, if requested.
- C. The A plan submitted for Civil Service approval must include all of the following:
 - 1. The position description, if position-specific.
 - 2. Any applicable selective_-position_-requirements criteria.
 - 3. A description of the recruitment, posting, or other applicant identification efforts to be undertaken.

- 4. A plan to complete any necessary credential reviews to identify applicants meeting the <u>classification's</u> minimum_qualification requirements for the <u>classification</u>.
- 5. A description of the essential applicant characteristics and identification of assessment and selection criteria used to evaluate them.
- **D.** The appointing authority must receive Civil Service approval of the an alternative plan before its initial use.
- **E.** The job-related assessment and selection criteria to be used may include assessment of training, education, and experience; evaluation of work samples; test performance; structured interviews; or other appropriate methods or combinations of methods.
- **F.** The process must include mandatory practices outlined in regulation 3.04.
- **G.** The process cannot be used until all recall names <u>have been are appropriately cleared</u>.
- **H.** The appointing authority must administer the alternative process in accordance with the methods specified in the approved plan. Civil Service approval must be secured on plan modifications.
- I. <u>Civil Service may p</u>Preauthorized plan approval may be granted by <u>Civil Service for use of of an alternative process for to filling vacancies in an entire classification or group of classifications if the positions are similar and have similar qualifications.</u>
- J. Civil Service has preauthorized to all appointing authorities the following universal alternative to selection from the Administrative Support Exam applicant pool at the 5 level:
- A person who has provided temporary administrative support services for an agency for 14 weeks or more (full time) within the previous 12 month period as a temporary services agency employee, a special personal services employee, or as a noncareer employee, may be included as a candidate in a pool to fill a position in the same work unit doing the same work. If selected, the appointing authority must document that the candidate's work during the working test period was satisfactory.
- **K**J. The appointing authority must document the process, including verification of the lack of recall names, and must certify the appointment in accordance with regulation 3.04, § 4.**H**J.
- **LK**. Appointments made following the usinge of alternative processes are subject to audit for compliance with these standards. Documentation must be retained for 3three years from the appointment date.

4. Procedures

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Appointing

1. Develops plan, in accordance with § 3.C_z. The plan may be for a

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Authority	specific identified position, for an entire classification (e.g., all entry-level data_entry operators), or for positions in similar classifications (e.g., all technical_unitcollective bargaining agreement entry_level technicians).
	2. Requests assistance from Civil Service staff, as needed.23. Submits plan to Civil Service for approval.
Civil Service	34. Reviews the plantand Wworks with the appointing authority to revise it, if necessary.
	 5Documents its approval of the plan. 46. Retains file-copy of the request and approval documentation for the duration of the approval.
Appointing Authority	duration of the approval. 57. Identifies any recall names for the classification of the position being filled, and Properly clears any recall names before proceeding.
	68. Administers selection process in accordance with the approved plan and regulation 3.04.
	79. Appoints the selected candidate.

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