









IBPS SO Eligibility Criteria 2023 - Age, Education

It is indisputable that some of you must be worried about the IBPS SO Eligibility Criteria 2023. But as promised, KD Live is back with answers to all your concerns. In this blog, we will primarily focus on the eligibility criteria decided by the Staff Selection Commission of India. But before rushing on to the eligibility, how about we give you a brief overview of the IBPS SO Exam 2023?

IBPS SO Eligibility Criteria 2023

It is an undeniable fact that the first and foremost step towards starting your preparation for any exam is to know your eligibility. Consequently, it is important for you to know and understand the eligibility criteria for the IBPS SO exam 2023. There are four primary eligibility criteria for the IBPS SO recruitment exam 2023. These include:

Now, let's understand each of these eligibility criteria in detail to clear up all your doubts.

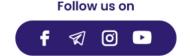


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Nationality:

To be eligible for the IBPS SO Exam 2023, a candidate must fall under one of the following categories:

- · A citizen of India. or
- A subject of Nepal, or
- · A subject of Bhutan



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One very important point to take into consideration is that the latter two must fulfill all the eligibility requirements under the eligibility certificate issued by the government of India. Candidates whose certification of eligibility is mandatory can take the exam without the certification. However, the offer of appointment will be given to them only when the certificate of eligibility is issued to them by the Government of India.

Age Limit:

The age criteria for the IBPS SO Exam 2023 are as follows:

The minimum age required is 20 years. The maximum age required is 30 years. Thus, a candidate must have been born not earlier than November 2, 1993, and not later than 01.08.2003 (both dates inclusive)

Permissible relaxation in the upper age limit for different posts are given in the table below:

Post Code	Name of the Post	Age	Educational Qualifications ** (from a University/ Institution/ Board recognised by Govt. Of India/approved by Govt. Regulatory Bodies)				
01	I.T. Officer (Scale-I)	Min- 20 Years Max-30 Years	a) 4 year Engineering/ Technology Degree in Computer Science/ Computer Applications/ Information Technology/ Electronics/ Electronics &				
			Telecommunications/ Electronics & Communication/ Electronics & Instrumentation				
			OR b) Post Graduate Degree in Electronics/ Electronics & Tele Communication/ Electronics & Communication/ Electronics & Instrumentation/ Computer Science/ Information Technology/ Computer Applications OR Graduate having passed DOEACC 'B' level				
02	Agricultural Field Officer (Scale I)	Min- 20 Years Max-30 Years	4 year Degree (graduation) in Agriculture/ Horticulture/ Animal Husbandry/ Veterinary Science/ Dairy Science/ Fishery Science/ Pisciculture/ Agri. Marketing & Cooperation/ Co-operation & Banking/ Agro-Forestry/ Forestry/ Agricultural Biotechnology/ Food Science/ Agriculture Business Management/ Food Technology/ Dairy Technology/ Agricultural Engineering/ Sericulture				
03	Rajbhasha Adhikari (Scale I)	Min- 20 Years Max-30 Years	Post Graduate Degree in Hindi with English as a subject at the degree (graduation) level OR Post graduate degree in Sanskrit with English and Hindi as subjects at the degree (graduation) level.				
04	Law Officer (Scale I)	Min- 20 Years Max-30 Years	A Bachelor Degree in Law (LLB) and enrolled as an advocate with Bar Council				
05	HR/Personn el Officer (Scale I)	Min- 20 years Max- 30 years	Graduate and Two Years Full time Post Graduate degree or Two Years Full time Post Graduate diploma in Personnel Management / Industrial Relations/ HR / HRD/ Social Work / Labour Law.*				
06	Marketing Officer (Scale I)	Min- 20 years Max- 30 years	Graduate and Two Years Full time MMS (Marketing)/ Two Years Full time MBA (Marketing)/ Two Years Full time PGDBA / PGDBM/ PGPM/ PGDM with specialization in Marketing *				

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Educational Qualification:



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- I.T. Officer (Scale-I): Candidates should have an engineering or technology degree in Computer Science/Applications, IT, Electronics, Electronics & Telecommunications, Electronics & Communication, or Electronics & Instrumentation; or aspirants having a PG degree in the following fields are also eligible; or a graduate who has passed DOEACC 'B' level can also apply for IBPS SO 2023.
- Agricultural Field Officer (Scale I): The candidate requires a 4-year degree (graduation) in agriculture,
 Horticulture/Animal Husbandry/ Veterinary Science/ Dairy Science/ Fishery Science/ Pisciculture/ Agri. Marketing
 & Cooperation/ Co-operation & Banking/ Agro-Forestry/Forestry/ Agricultural Biotechnology/ Food Science/
 Agriculture Business Management/ Food Technology/ Dairy Technology/ Agricultural Engineering/ Sericulture
- Rajbhasha Adhikari: A candidate must have a postgraduate degree in Hindi with English as a subject at the degree level or in Sanskrit with English as a subject at the degree level.
- · Law Officer (Scale I): A Bachelor Degree in Law (LLB) and enrolled as an advocate with the Bar Council.
- HR/Personnel Officer (Scale I): A graduation degree and two years of full-time postgraduate degree or two years of full-time postgraduate diploma in Personnel Management / Industrial Relations/ HR / HRD/ Social Work / Labour Law.
- Marketing Officer (Scale I): A graduation degree and Two Years Full time MMS (Marketing)/ Two Years Full time MBA (Marketing)/ two years of full-time PGDBA / PGDBM/ PGDM with a specialization in marketing.

IBPS SO Notification 2023 - An Overview

Let's begin with understanding the 'why, when, and where' of the IBPS SO Notification 2023, followed by deeper understanding of the IBPS SO Eligibility Criteria 2023. The IBPS SO Notification is released to provide a heads-up to the aspiring candidates for various posts. Let us give you a brief of all the important points involved in the IBPS SO Notification 2023.

- IBPS SO Notification PDF was released on 31st July 2023 on the official IBPS website.
- As per the notification, IBPS SO exam aims to fill 1402 vacancies.
- Above given vacancies are inclusive of I.T. Officer (Scale-I), Agricultural Field Officer (Scale I), Rajbhasha Adhikari (Scale I), Law Officer (Scale I), HR/Personnel Officer (Scale I), Marketing Officer (Scale I).
- Moreover, this is an annually recurring recruitment examination conducted by the <u>Institute of Banking Personnel</u> Selection.

Now since you have had a brief understanding of the IBPS SO exam, we can now move on to learn about the IBPS SO important exam dates 2023.

IBPS SO Important Exam Dates 2023

According to the official notification, the IBPS has released the important dates for your reference, which are given below:



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The IBPS SO 2023 exam forms were out on 1st August 2023. Consequently, the interested candidates filled out the application form using the official link. Candidates need to pay attention while filling out the form to avoid any hustle later.

IBPS SO Exam Pattern 2023

Do you know why it is important to know the exam pattern before preparing for any exam? If not, then let's first understand its importance. Firstly, the exam pattern is a foundational step in preparing effectively and performing well in any examination. Secondly, it provides you with a roadmap that guides your preparation. Lastly, it helps you navigate the actual exam and enhance your confidence.

Now that we understand its importance, let's move forward to the IBPS SO exam pattern 2023. The exam will be conducted in three phases: **Preliminary, Mains and Interview Process.**

Preliminary Examination:



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For the post of Law Officer and Rajbhasha Adhikari

Sr.	Name of Tests	No. of	Maximum	Medium of Exam	Duration
No.		Questions	Marks		
1	English Language	50	25	English	40 minutes
2	Reasoning	50	50	English and Hindi	40 minutes
3	General Awareness with Special Reference to Banking Industry	50	50	English and Hindi	40 minutes
	Total	150	125		

For the Post of IT Officer, Agriculture Field Officer, HR/Personnel Officer and Marketing Officer

Sr.	Name of Tests	No. of	Maximum Marks	Medium of	Duration
No.		Questions		Exam	
1	English Language	50	25	English	40 minutes
2	Reasoning	50	50	English and Hindi	40 minutes
3	Quantitative Aptitude	50	50	English and Hindi	40 minutes
	Total	150	125		

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Mains Examination:

For the Post of Law Officer, IT Officer, Agriculture Field Officer, HR/Personnel Officer and Marketing Officer

Name of the Test	No. of Question		Medium of Exam	Duration
	S			
Professional Knowledge	60	60	English &	45 minutes
			Hindi	

For the Post of Rajbhasha Adhikari

Name of the Test	No. of Questions	Maximum Marks	Medium of Exam	Duration
Professional Knowledge	45		English & Hindi	30
(Objective)		60	700	minutes
Professional Knowledge	2		English & Hindi	30
(Descriptive)				minutes

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· Interview Round:

In this round, the shortlisted candidates for the Online Mains Examination will be called for an interview conducted by the participating banks and coordinated by the nodal banks in each state or UT. Also, the total marks allotted for the interview are 100. The minimum qualifying marks in the interview will not be less than 40% (35% for SC/ST/OBC/PWBD candidates). Moreover, the weightage (ratio) of the online main examination and interview will be 80:20, respectively.

IBPS SO Syllabus 2023

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Now that you know about the exam pattern, you likely have an idea of the subjects you need to concentrate on. Therefore, delving into the detailed syllabus becomes important as it provides guidance for your study approach, resource selection, and time management. This leads to more organized and strategic preparation. Furthermore, we will understand the subjects in detail.

The list of subjects that you need to prepare for is as follows:

- English Language
- Reasoning
- General Awareness with special reference to the Banking industry
- · Quantitative aptitude
- Professional Knowledge (Objective and Descriptive)

For a better understanding of the subjects for the IBPS Specialist Officer 2023, you can refer to our blog, IBPS SO Syllabus 2023. However, please note that the subjects mentioned above are specifically for Computer Based Test.

IBPS SO Post and Salary

Apart from security, lucrative perks, and allowances, the IBPS PO salary is one of the major reasons why candidates enter the banking sector. IBPS SO Basic Pay is Rs 23,700, and the IBPS SO In-Hand Salary is Rs 38000 to Rs 39000. Moreover, Specialist Officers have a very prestigious job that requires special qualifications for each of their six posts.

Fulfilling the IBPS SO Eligibility Criteria 2023 is the first step towards a successful application for the IBPS SO 2023 exam. Make sure you meet the nationality, age, educational qualifications, etc requirements specified in the official notification. If you have any queries, you can check our FAQs or drop us your query in the comment section, and in no time we will come back to you with all the answers. Best of luck! We truly hope that you get your dream job and get to serve our country!



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