

To Apply

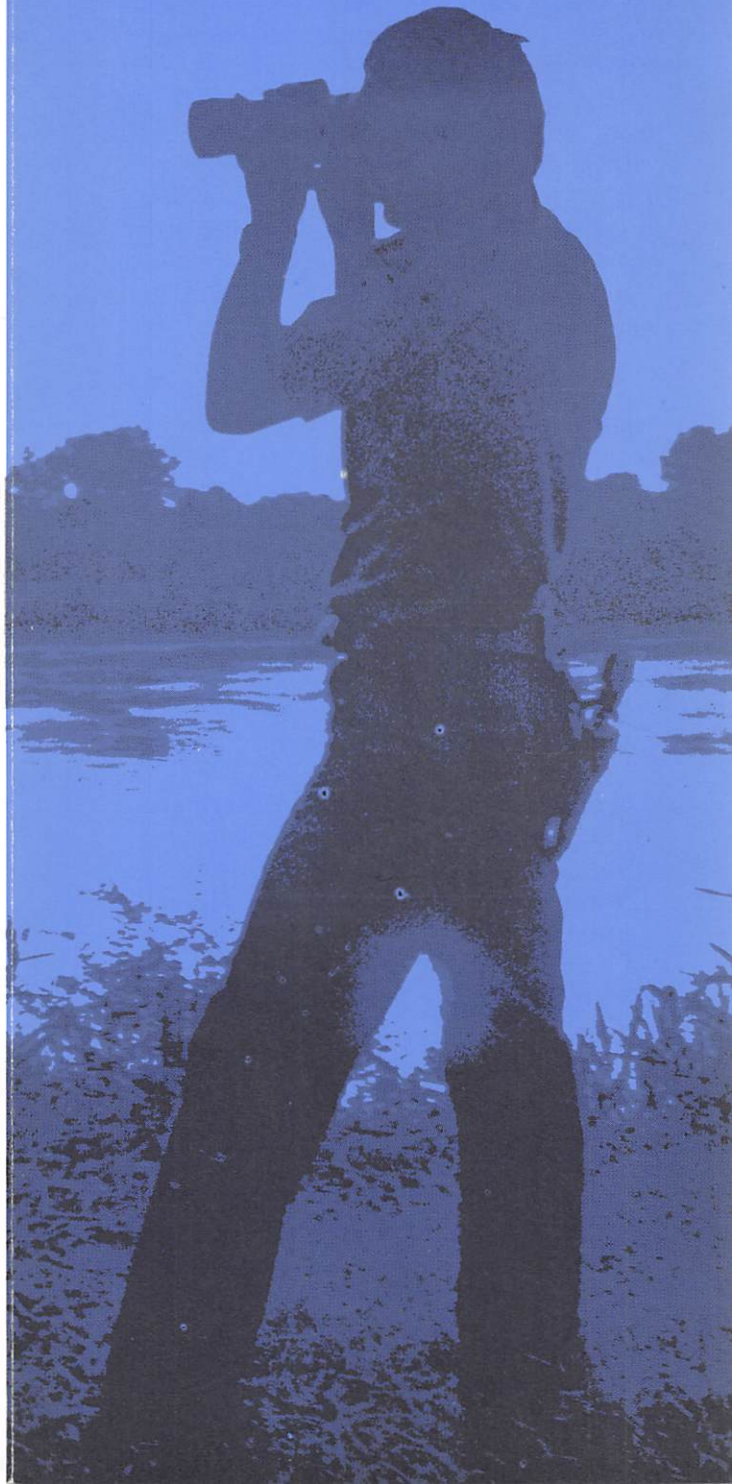
Take the appropriate civil service examination. Check the nearest Federal Job Information Center for the latest word on testing information.

All applicants will receive consideration without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, or sex.



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patrol officer



The prevention of smuggling into the United States is one of the primary missions of the U.S. Customs Service. By utilizing a *tactical interdiction* land, sea, and air enforcement effort, the **Customs Patrol Officer (CPO)** carries out the challenging and often dangerous task of detecting and apprehending violators of the 400 statutes enforced by U.S. Customs.

Proficient in the use of firearms and other techniques of self-defense, CPOs are aided by the latest in sophisticated law enforcement equipment.

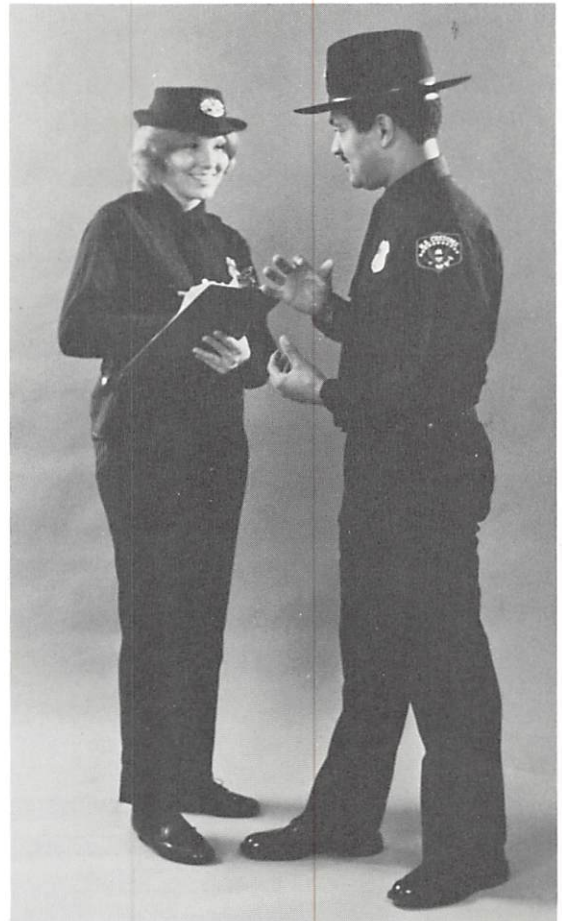
In carrying out their duties, CPOs may be called upon to serve anywhere in the country — from along the frozen northern border to the deserts of the southwest, from urban waterfronts to secluded coastlines. Their assignments are nonroutine — no two days are alike.

CPOs enjoy a proud heritage of respect in the law enforcement community and have proven themselves time and time again as an effective deterrent to all types of crime.

If you seek a challenge to your alertness, sound judgment and ability to deal effectively with all types of people, a position as a Customs Patrol Officer should appeal to you.

To Qualify You Must

- Be a United States citizen and not have reached your 35th birthday.
- Pass an appropriate physical examination.
- Successfully complete an oral interview and pass a personal background investigation.
- Establish an eligible rating on the Border Patrol Agent Examination from registers established by the regional personnel offices. Entrance level appointments are made at grades GS—5 and GS—7. Posi-



tions offer extensive opportunities for paid overtime and have excellent advancement potential, with a journeyman level at grade GS—9. Supervisory positions at GS—11 and above are available on a competitive basis to those who qualify.

- Have at least 3 years of progressively responsible experience in government, private employment or the armed forces which has demonstrated the ability to deal satisfactorily with others, to correctly apply regulations or instructional material, and to make clear, concise oral or written reports.

Note: One scholastic year of education above high school equals 9 months of work experience. A bachelor's degree is fully qualifying for appointment at the GS—5 level.