

CRP PO/MT-XVI

IBPS PO Age Limit 2026

Minimum & Maximum Age • DOB Criteria • Category-wise Age Relaxation

Check the IBPS PO Age Limit 2026, minimum and maximum age, date of birth criteria, category-wise age relaxation and eligibility requirements for Probationary Officer candidates.

The **IBPS PO Age Limit** is an important eligibility condition for candidates applying for the Institute of Banking Personnel Selection Probationary Officer/Management Trainee recruitment. For the current **CRP PO/MT-XVI** recruitment cycle, candidates must satisfy the prescribed **IBPS PO age criteria** as on **01 July 2026**.

The **IBPS PO minimum age limit** is **20 years**, while the standard **IBPS PO maximum age limit** is **30 years**. Under the standard age criteria, candidates must have been born **not earlier than 02 July 1996 and not later than 01 July 2006**. Both dates are inclusive.

Eligible reserved-category candidates can receive **IBPS PO age relaxation** subject to the conditions prescribed by IBPS. The current age-relaxation provisions covered in this guide include SC/ST, OBC Non-Creamy Layer, Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD), and eligible Ex-Servicemen/Commissioned Officers including ECOs and SSCOs.

Candidates should also check the complete [IBPS PO Eligibility Criteria 2026](#) because age is only one part of the overall eligibility requirements.

Quick Answer: For CRP PO/MT-XVI, the standard IBPS PO age limit is **20 to 30 years as on 01 July 2026**. Candidates under the standard age criteria must have been born between **02 July 1996 and 01 July 2006**, both dates inclusive. Upper-age relaxation is available to eligible categories according to IBPS rules.

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IBPS PO Age Limit 2026 Overview

Particular	Details
Conducting Body	Institute of Banking Personnel Selection (IBPS)
Post Name	Probationary Officer / Management Trainee (PO/MT)
Recruitment Cycle	CRP PO/MT-XVI
Minimum Age	20 Years
Maximum Age	30 Years
Age Calculation Date	01 July 2026
Date of Birth Criteria	02 July 1996 to 01 July 2006 (both dates inclusive)
Age Relaxation	Available to eligible categories according to IBPS rules
Official Website	www.ibps.in
Official PO/MT-XVI Updates	IBPS PO/MT-XVI Official Page

IBPS PO Age Limit 2026

The prescribed **IBPS PO Age Limit** for CRP PO/MT-XVI is calculated as on **01 July 2026**. Candidates who do not claim an applicable upper-age relaxation must satisfy the standard age range shown below.

IBPS PO Age Criteria	Requirement
IBPS PO Minimum Age Limit	20 Years
IBPS PO Maximum Age Limit	30 Years
Age Cut-Off Date	01 July 2026

The applicable category relaxation increases the **upper age limit**. It does not reduce the basic minimum-age requirement of 20 years.



IBPS PO AGE LIMIT 2026

Key Highlights at a Glance



 Minimum Age 20 Years	 Maximum Age 30 Years	 Age Calculation Date 01 July 2026	 Date of Birth Range 02 July 1996 to 01 July 2006 (Both dates inclusive)
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Category-wise Age Relaxation				
SC 5 Years	ST 5 Years	OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) 3 Years	PwBD 10 Years	Ex-Servicemen, ECOs & SSCOs 5 Years



Note: Age relaxation is applicable as per Government of India rules. Candidates must produce valid supporting documents in the prescribed format during the recruitment process.

IBPS PO Age Limit 2026 showing minimum age, maximum age, DOB criteria and category-wise age relaxation.

IBPS PO Date of Birth Criteria

The **IBPS PO date of birth criteria** are based on the official age cut-off date of **01 July 2026**.

Under the standard age requirement, a candidate must have been born **not earlier than 02 July 1996 and not later than 01 July 2006**.

Date of Birth Requirement	Date
Candidate must not have been born earlier than	02 July 1996
Candidate must not have been born later than	01 July 2006
Boundary Dates	Both dates are inclusive

Important: A candidate born before 02 July 1996 exceeds the standard maximum-age limit, but may still be eligible if an applicable upper-age relaxation applies. A candidate born after 01 July 2006 does not satisfy the minimum-age requirement for this cycle.

IBPS PO Age Eligibility Examples

The following boundary-date examples make the **IBPS PO date of birth eligibility** easier to understand.

Date of Birth	Standard Age Status	Explanation
02 July 1996	Eligible	This is the earliest permitted DOB under the standard age criteria.
01 July 1996	Not Eligible Under Standard Limit	The candidate exceeds the standard maximum age. An applicable upper-age relaxation may change eligibility.
01 July 2006	Eligible	This is the latest permitted DOB under the standard age criteria.
02 July 2006	Not Eligible	The candidate has not completed the required minimum age as on 01 July 2026.

IBPS PO Age Relaxation – Category Wise

The **IBPS PO category wise age relaxation** applies to the standard upper-age limit. Candidates must fulfil the prescribed conditions and possess valid documentary proof for the relaxation they claim.

Category	Upper Age Relaxation
Scheduled Caste (SC)	5 Years
Scheduled Tribe (ST)	5 Years
Other Backward Classes – Non-Creamy Layer	3 Years
Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD)	10 Years
Eligible Ex-Servicemen / Commissioned Officers including ECOs and SSCOs	5 Years

Important: Age relaxation is available only when the candidate satisfies the conditions applicable to the claimed category and provides the required supporting documents. Candidates should verify special-case or cumulative-relaxation claims from the official IBPS notification.

IBPS PO Age Limit for General and EWS Candidates

For General and Economically Weaker Section candidates, the standard **IBPS PO age limit** is **20 to 30 years as on 01 July 2026**.

There is no separate upper-age relaxation merely for belonging to the EWS category. Therefore, General and EWS candidates normally follow the standard maximum age of 30 years unless another independently applicable relaxation is available under the recruitment rules.

IBPS PO OBC Age Relaxation

The **IBPS PO OBC age relaxation** is **3 years** for eligible Other Backward Classes candidates belonging to the **Non-Creamy Layer (NCL)**.

Accordingly, the basic upper-age limit for an eligible OBC-NCL candidate becomes **33 years**.

OBC candidates who fall under the Creamy Layer are not entitled to OBC-NCL reservation benefits and must follow the category instructions prescribed by IBPS.

IBPS PO SC ST Age Relaxation

Eligible Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe candidates receive **5 years** of upper-age relaxation.

Therefore, the basic maximum age after applying the **IBPS PO SC ST age relaxation** becomes **35 years**.

IBPS PO PwBD Age Relaxation

Eligible Persons with Benchmark Disabilities receive **10 years** of **IBPS PO PwBD age relaxation**, subject to the disability eligibility and certification conditions applicable under the recruitment rules.

For a PwBD candidate who is not claiming another cumulative category relaxation, the standard 30-year upper limit becomes **40 years**.

Candidates eligible under more than one relaxation category should calculate their final age only according to the cumulative-relaxation provisions prescribed by IBPS.

IBPS PO Ex Servicemen Age Relaxation

The **IBPS PO Ex Servicemen age relaxation** is **5 years** for candidates who satisfy the conditions prescribed by IBPS.

The provision covers eligible Ex-Servicemen and Commissioned Officers, including **Emergency Commissioned Officers (ECOs)** and **Short Service Commissioned Officers (SSCOs)**, subject to the prescribed military-service and release conditions.

Important: There is no separate Ex-Servicemen reservation in the Officers' Cadre. Eligible candidates may receive the prescribed upper-age relaxation subject to the applicable conditions.

IBPS PO Maximum Age After Basic Category Relaxation

The table below shows the basic maximum age after applying the standard category relaxation to the 30-year upper-age limit.

Category	Basic Maximum Age
General	30 Years
EWS	30 Years
OBC Non-Creamy Layer	33 Years
SC / ST	35 Years
PwBD without an additional cumulative relaxation	40 Years
Eligible Ex-Servicemen / ECOs / SSCOs under the basic 5-year relaxation	35 Years

Note: These figures show the basic effect of each relaxation individually. Where more than one category applies, candidates should use only the cumulative relaxation permitted under the official IBPS rules.

IBPS PO Cumulative Age Relaxation Rules

Candidates who qualify under more than one category should carefully check the **IBPS PO cumulative age relaxation** rules before calculating their final permissible age.

The relaxation available to eligible SC/ST/OBC candidates may be allowed cumulatively with only one of the other applicable relaxation categories, subject to the conditions specified by IBPS.

Important: Do not automatically add every relaxation available to you. Final age eligibility depends on the exact category combination permitted by the official notification and the candidate's documentary eligibility.

Documents Required for IBPS PO Age Relaxation

Candidates claiming **IBPS PO age relaxation** should keep the required original documents and certificates ready for verification whenever demanded during the recruitment process.

- Matriculation / Secondary School Certificate or other accepted age-proof document.
- Valid SC Certificate, where applicable.
- Valid ST Certificate, where applicable.
- OBC Non-Creamy Layer Certificate in the prescribed format, where applicable.
- Valid PwBD / Disability Certificate issued by the competent authority, where applicable.
- Required service and release documents for eligible Ex-Servicemen, ECOs or SSCOs.
- Any other certificate specifically prescribed by IBPS for the relaxation being claimed.

Age is only one eligibility component. Candidates should also verify the [IBPS PO Educational Qualification 2026](#) requirements before relying on overall eligibility.

IBPS PO Age Proof and Date of Birth Verification

The date of birth entered during registration should match the candidate's accepted official age-proof document.

Candidates should calculate age using the prescribed cut-off date of **01 July 2026**, not the date on which they submit their application or check the article.

A discrepancy in the date of birth, category details, or supporting certificates can affect a candidate's eligibility or relaxation claim.

Common Mistakes While Checking IBPS PO Age Eligibility

- Calculating age on the application date instead of **01 July 2026**.
- Ignoring the exact DOB boundary dates.
- Assuming EWS automatically provides separate upper-age relaxation.
- Claiming OBC-NCL relaxation while belonging to the Creamy Layer.
- Assuming upper-age relaxation also reduces the minimum age below 20 years.
- Adding multiple age relaxations without checking the cumulative-relaxation rule.
- Claiming Ex-Servicemen relaxation without satisfying the prescribed service and release conditions.
- Failing to keep valid category or relaxation certificates ready for verification.

How to Check IBPS PO Age Eligibility

Candidates can follow these steps to check their **IBPS PO age eligibility** correctly:

1. Note the official age cut-off date: **01 July 2026**.
2. Check your exact date of birth.
3. Compare your DOB with the standard range of **02 July 1996 to 01 July 2006**.
4. If you exceed the standard maximum age, check whether an eligible upper-age relaxation applies.
5. Confirm that you possess the required category, disability, or service certificate.
6. If more than one relaxation category applies, check the official cumulative-relaxation provisions.
7. Verify the final claim using the official IBPS PO/MT-XVI recruitment information.

Official IBPS Resources

Candidates should use official IBPS resources for final verification of recruitment conditions, corrigenda and eligibility updates.

Official Resource	Link
IBPS Official Website	Visit IBPS Official Website
IBPS PO/MT-XVI Recruitment Page	View Official PO/MT-XVI Notification & Updates
Official PO/MT-XVI Application Portal	View Official IBPS PO/MT-XVI Application Portal

Current Update: The CRP PO/MT-XVI online registration window is closed. Candidates should use the official IBPS PO/MT-XVI page for subsequent notices, corrigenda and recruitment updates.

IBPS PO Age Limit 2026 – Key Points

- Age calculation date: **01 July 2026**.
- Minimum age: **20 years**.
- Standard maximum age: **30 years**.
- Standard DOB range: **02 July 1996 to 01 July 2006**, both dates inclusive.
- SC/ST upper-age relaxation: **5 years**.
- OBC Non-Creamy Layer upper-age relaxation: **3 years**.
- PwBD upper-age relaxation: **10 years**.
- Eligible Ex-Servicemen/Commissioned Officers including ECOs/SSCOs: **5 years**.
- EWS alone does not provide a separate upper-age relaxation.
- Upper-age relaxation does not reduce the minimum age requirement.
- Cumulative relaxation should be calculated only according to the combination permitted by IBPS.

IBPS PO Age Limit 2026 – Final Summary

The **IBPS PO Age Limit** for the current CRP PO/MT-XVI cycle is **20 to 30 years as on 01 July 2026**. Under the standard age criteria, candidates must have been born between **02 July 1996 and 01 July 2006**, both dates inclusive.

The standard upper-age relaxations covered under the current eligibility provisions are **5 years for SC/ST**, **3 years for OBC Non-Creamy Layer**, **10 years for eligible PwBD candidates**, and **5 years for eligible Ex-Servicemen/Commissioned Officers including ECOs and SSCOs**.

Candidates should verify their exact date of birth, category status and required documents before claiming an upper-age relaxation. For final confirmation, always refer to the official IBPS PO/MT-XVI recruitment page.

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