

SBI Clerk Age Limit 2026 - Category-Wise Age Limit, Relaxation, Maximum Age & Eligibility Rules

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Quick Overview

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Action	Check SBI Clerk Age Limit & Eligibility Details

The SBI Clerk age limit is one of the most important eligibility conditions for candidates applying for Junior Associate recruitment. According to the recent SBI Junior Associate recruitment pattern, candidates must be at least 20 years old and should not be more than 28 years old on the cut-off date specified in the recruitment notification. Candidates belonging to reserved categories can get upper-age relaxation according to the applicable SBI and Government rules.

SBI Clerk Age Limit 2026 Overview

Candidates should carefully check the SBI Clerk minimum age and SBI Clerk maximum age before applying. The basic and category-wise age limits are given below.

Criteria	Rule
Minimum Age	20 years
Maximum Age	28 years
OBC Upper Age	31 years
SC/ST Upper Age	33 years
PwBD General/EWS Upper Age	38 years
PwBD OBC Upper Age	41 years
PwBD SC/ST Upper Age	43 years

These SBI Clerk category wise age limit figures follow the recent SBI Junior Associate detailed advertisement pattern.

SBI Clerk Basic Age Rule 2026

According to the SBI Clerk age eligibility rule, candidates applying for SBI Clerk should not be younger than 20 years and should not be older than 28 years on the cut-off date mentioned in the notification. SBI provides the exact cut-off date in the detailed recruitment advertisement.

SBI Clerk Age Relaxation 2026

The upper-age limit is relaxed for candidates belonging to certain reserved and special categories. The SBI Clerk age relaxation structure is given below.

Category	Relaxation	Effective Upper Age
General / EWS	No Relaxation	28 years
OBC	3 years	31 years
SC / ST	5 years	33 years
PwBD (General / EWS)	10 years	38 years
PwBD (OBC)	13 years	41 years
PwBD (SC / ST)	15 years	43 years
Ex-Servicemen / Disabled Ex-Servicemen	Actual period of defence service + 3 years; 8 years for Disabled Ex-Servicemen belonging to SC/ST	Subject to a maximum age of 50 years
Widows / Divorced Women / Women Judicially Separated and Not Remarried	7 years	Maximum 35 years for General/EWS, 38 years for OBC and 40 years for SC/ST
Trained Apprentices of SBI	General/EWS - 1 year; OBC - 4 years; SC/ST - 6 years; PwBD General/EWS - 11 years; PwBD OBC - 14 years; PwBD SC/ST - 16 years	As applicable

The SBI Clerk trained apprentice age relaxation is an important provision because the Trained Apprentices of SBI category appears in recent Junior Associate advertisements but is sometimes missed or not explained properly on other exam-information pages.

SBI Clerk Category-Wise Maximum Age

The SBI Clerk maximum age differs according to the candidate's category. Candidates can check the applicable maximum-age limit below.

Category	Maximum Age Allowed
General / EWS	28 years
OBC	31 years
SC / ST	33 years
PwBD General / EWS	38 years
PwBD OBC	41 years

PwBD SC / ST	43 years
Widow / Divorced Woman (General/EWS)	35 years
Widow / Divorced Woman (OBC)	38 years
Widow / Divorced Woman (SC/ST)	40 years
Ex-Servicemen / Disabled Ex-Servicemen	Up to 50 years cap, subject to the applicable rule

How SBI Clerk Age Is Calculated

The SBI Clerk age calculation is not based on the examination date or the result date. A candidate's age is calculated strictly according to the cut-off date mentioned in the official recruitment notification. Candidates should use the date of birth recorded in their Class 10 certificate or equivalent valid proof.

Example

Suppose the cut-off date mentioned in the recruitment notification is August 1, 2026.

- Candidate DOB: August 1, 1998 - the candidate turns 28 on the cut-off date - eligible in the General category.
- Candidate DOB: July 31, 1998 - the candidate is already above 28 years on the cut-off date - not eligible in the General category.

This example shows why even a difference of one day can affect age eligibility.

SBI Clerk Age Limit Eligibility List

The following examples explain SBI Clerk age eligibility for different candidate profiles.

Candidate Profile	Eligible?	Why
General, 20 years	Yes	Meets the minimum age requirement
General, 28 years	Yes	Within the upper-age limit
General, 29 years	No	Exceeds the unreserved upper-age limit
OBC, 30 years	Yes	Within the relaxed upper age of 31 years
OBC, 31 years	Yes	At the relaxed upper-age limit
OBC, 32 years	No	Beyond the OBC upper-age limit
SC, 32 years	Yes	Within the relaxed upper age of 33 years
SC, 33 years	Yes	At the relaxed upper-age limit
SC, 34 years	No	Beyond the SC/ST upper-age limit
PwBD General, 38 years	Yes	At the relaxed upper-age limit
PwBD General, 39 years	No	Beyond the relaxed upper-age limit
PwBD OBC, 41 years	Yes	At the relaxed upper-age limit

PwBD OBC, 42 years	No	Beyond the relaxed upper-age limit
PwBD SC/ST, 43 years	Yes	At the relaxed upper-age limit
Widow General, 35 years	Yes	Within the special maximum-age cap
Widow OBC, 38 years	Yes	Within the special maximum-age cap
Widow SC/ST, 40 years	Yes	Within the special maximum-age cap

These SBI Clerk eligibility criteria examples follow directly from the applicable category-wise age-relaxation limits.

Special Category Rules

Ex-Servicemen / Disabled Ex-Servicemen

The SBI Clerk Ex-Servicemen age relaxation is equal to the actual period of service rendered in defence services plus 3 years. For Disabled Ex-Servicemen belonging to SC/ST under the applicable rule, the relaxation is 8 years, subject to a maximum age of 50 years.

Widows / Divorced Women / Judicially Separated Women

Women who are widowed, divorced, or judicially separated from their husbands and have not remarried receive 7 years of age relaxation.

Under the SBI Clerk widow age relaxation rule, the maximum permissible age is:

- General / EWS - 35 years
- OBC - 38 years
- SC / ST - 40 years

Trained Apprentices of SBI

Recent SBI Junior Associate advertisements also provide SBI Clerk trained apprentice age relaxation for eligible Trained Apprentices of SBI.

- General / EWS - 1 year
- OBC - 4 years
- SC / ST - 6 years
- PwBD General / EWS - 11 years
- PwBD OBC - 14 years
- PwBD SC / ST - 16 years

This provision is important because the Trained Apprentices category is sometimes omitted or not explained in detail on other ranking pages.

Documents Usually Needed for Age Claim / Relaxation

Candidates claiming SBI Clerk age relaxation are generally required to provide valid supporting documents at the prescribed stage of recruitment. Candidates seeking age relaxation should be prepared to submit the necessary certificates if they qualify.

Commonly relevant documents include:

- Class 10 certificate / DOB proof

- Category certificate
- PwBD certificate
- Ex-Servicemen certificate
- Widow / divorce / judicial separation proof, wherever applicable

Common Age-Limit Mistakes Candidates Make

Candidates should avoid the following common mistakes while checking the SBI Clerk age limit:

- Calculating age using the wrong date.
- Assuming that age relaxation applies automatically without valid certificate support.
- Confusing OBC eligibility with OBC-NCL requirements.
- Ignoring the specific maximum-age cap applicable to widow and divorced-women categories.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the minimum age for SBI Clerk 2026?

The minimum age is 20 years.

What is the maximum age for SBI Clerk 2026?

The maximum age is 28 years for General/EWS candidates.

What is the SBI Clerk age limit for OBC candidates?

OBC candidates can apply up to 31 years.

What is the SBI Clerk age limit for SC/ST candidates?

SC/ST candidates can apply up to 33 years.

What is the age relaxation for OBC candidates?

OBC candidates get 3 years of age relaxation.

What is the age relaxation for SC/ST candidates?

SC/ST candidates get 5 years of age relaxation.

What is the age limit for PwBD General/EWS candidates?

The maximum age is 38 years.

What is the age limit for PwBD OBC candidates?

The maximum age is 41 years.

What is the age limit for PwBD SC/ST candidates?

The maximum age is 43 years.

What is the maximum age for Ex-Servicemen in SBI Clerk?

The maximum age can be up to 50 years, subject to the applicable relaxation rules.

Official Verification

Candidates should always verify the latest age cut-off date, relaxation rules and certificate requirements from the official SBI Junior Associate recruitment notification before applying.

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