



November Careers Newsletter 2022

Welcome to the next edition of the Careers Newsletter, this month we will look at various careers in the Police Force.

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This Month's newsletter will focus on jobs in the Police Force

Let's explore the world of the Police Force and see the different roles and how you can build a Career in this field.

These are just a few of the jobs within the Police Force.

- Special constable.
- Police Constable
- Police sergeant.
- Police Inspector
- Chief inspector
- Police superintendent.
- Chief superintendent



Skills Builder

Skills needed in the Police Force

So, let's look at the top seven skills Police Officers need:

- ⇒ Communication
- ⇒ Leadership
- ⇒ Interpersonal
- ⇒ Enthusiasm
- ⇒ Compassion
- ⇒ Empathy
- ⇒ Confidentiality

Other Skills

- * Teamwork,
- * To use a computer
- * Critical Thinking Skills
- * Strength and Stamina
- * Legal Knowledge
- * Public safety and security knowledge

What do Police Officers do?

- respond to calls for help from the public
- investigate crimes and offences
- interview suspects and make arrests
- give evidence in court

Working Environment

You could work on patrol or at a police station. Your working environment may be outdoors in all weathers and be physically and emotionally demanding.

PCSO and Special Constables

Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) work with police officers and share some, but not all of their powers. Special constables are volunteers who have the same powers as Police.

Career Path and Progression

- Once your training is complete you'll need to pass a probationary period as a Police Constable. There are clearly defined ranks in the service which you can move through with experience as well as taking additional examinations. There are opportunities to specialise in a particular type of policing, for example:
- Criminal investigation department (CID), anti-fraud or road traffic
- Drugs or firearms
- Counter-terrorism
- Air support or underwater search
- Dog-handling or mounted policing

How do I become a Police Officer?

There are several ways to become a police officer depending on your situation. The most common ones include a college course, a university course, an apprenticeship route, working up to the ladder, or direct application into the police force.

You can check with your local Police Force to see what academic requirements may be involved in the role you apply for. Sometimes no formal qualifications are needed, but as a new starter you may get the opportunity to complete an apprenticeship or practical degree to fully enter the profession.

Jobs as police officers are available to school leavers aged 18 or over, holders of an HND qualification and graduates, some relevant qualifications include:

BTEC First (or National) Diploma in Public Services

Level 2 qualification in Public Services

Keighley College are offering a course called (Level 2 Diploma for Entry into the Uniformed Public Services)

A minimum of 4 GCSE's at grade 4 including English and/or ideally Math's or equivalent (e.g. Level 1 Functional Skills), NVQ1 or satisfactory completion of a Foundation learning Programme at Level 1 with a minimum of 37 credits.

Useful Websites

<https://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/>

<https://northyorkshire.police.uk/>

Police Cadets

Why should you become a police cadet?

First and foremost, because it's really good fun. But there are lot's of other reasons too:

Make new friends: become part of our policing family and build friendships that will last a lifetime.

Learn new skills and build your confidence, **Become a community champion:** Help your community by taking part in policing operations and crime prevention initiatives.

Complete your Duke of Edinburgh's Award: An award universally recognised by employers that sets you apart.

Enhance your CV: Whether you want to go to college or university or go straight into work, you will have a unique experience to talk about in interviews.

If you're aged 13 to 17 years old and are looking for a fun, challenging, and exciting way to gain new skills and help your community then join the volunteer police cadets.

<https://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/jobs-volunteer/volunteer-police-cadets/>

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Awakening minds



Achieving dreams



Serving others