

Dorset Special Constabulary

Precluded Occupations

There are several jobs that are considered incompatible with the role of a Special Constable. Please check the list below to ensure that your current employment will not prevent your application from proceeding. You should not make an application to join Dorset Special Constabulary if you work in any of the below roles.

- Serving members of HM Armed Forces*
- Members of the Royal Auxiliary Air Force
- Royal Naval Auxiliary Service
- The National Hospital Service Reserve
- Members of the fire service, unless written permission is given by their Chief Officer.
- Traffic Wardens and School Crossing Patrols
- Members of employers' police forces and private constabularies
- Magistrates
- Clerks to justices and clerks to courts
- Probation officers
- Youth workers and social workers involved in the administration of criminal law
- Bailiffs, warrant officers, private detectives and inquiry agents
- Custody escort officers
- Security personnel, guards and doormen**
- Anyone working for a security company
- Employees of security organisations
- Neighbourhood and Street Wardens and other uniformed Patrol Wardens
- Police Community Support Officers
- Prison Custody Officers (Prison Officers are eligible, but only with written permission from their Prison Governor)
- A local authority parking warden
- Persons taking an active part in politics
- Highways Agency Traffic Officers (and traffic officers who are employed by other organisations, such as Vehicle and Operator Services Agency)
- Border and Immigration Officers with powers of arrest
- Customs Officers
- Barristers, Solicitors and Judges
- Members of Police Authorities
- Transport Network Revenue Protection Inspectors
- Local Authority field officers e.g.: trading standards officers
- Civilian enforcement officers
- Vehicle removal officers
- High Sheriff
- Councillors who work within local or regional councils

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If you are applying for or seriously considering a job in any of the above occupations, please think carefully before you apply for the Dorset Special Constabulary.

If you start a job in any of the above occupations at any point during your application, or if there are changes in any of the information you provide in your application, you MUST inform us immediately.

** Some categories of people who have certain Armed Forces Reserve liabilities, may, with the permission of their Armed Forces Record Office, be able to apply, but those who are a member of the 'regular' Armed Forces are ineligible. This is due to national police policy, which was developed in consultation with the Ministry of Defence.*

***Security officers who are employed directly by the company that operates the premises they protect (i.e. NOT subcontracted to a security company) may be eligible to apply, but only under the Employer Supported Policing scheme (ESP). Please check with your employer whether they support ESP. Individuals and their employers can visit www.met.police.uk/esp or email: esp@met.police.uk for more information on ESP.*