

## JOB OF THE WEEK

### What is it?

**Police Officer** - Police officers keep law and order, investigate crime, and support crime prevention. To be a successful and competent Police Officer, you will need: legal knowledge, negotiating skills, patience, and the ability to remain calm in stressful situations. Excellent verbal communication skills, leadership skills and be able to use a computer and the main software packages competently.

### Day to day tasks

- respond to calls for help from the public.
- investigate crimes and offences.
- interview suspects and make arrests.
- give evidence in court.
- control traffic and crowds at large public events and gatherings
- advise the public on personal safety and crime prevention.
- promote respect for people in relation to their race, diversity, and human rights.

### Qualifications

2 or more GCSEs at 9 to 3 grades  
 Public Service Level 3 Qualification or Apprenticeship.  
 A Levels or equivalent are required for senior roles

### Salary

Police officer to Sergeant  
 Starting (probation) £19,164 per annum  
 Rising to £41,130 for experienced officers.  
 Specialising/Promotion rises to £47,320.

### Jobs and labour market

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| <b>Police Officer/<br/>Sergeant</b> | Weekly Pay  | Annual Pay     |
|                                     | <b>£910</b> | <b>£47,320</b> |
|                                     | Hours/Week  | Hourly Pay     |
|                                     | <b>40h</b>  | <b>£23</b>     |

#### Workforce Change (projected)

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| Contraction  | Replacement  |
| <b>-0.2%</b> | <b>38.3%</b> |

The workforce is projected to contract by -0.2% over the period to 2027, losing 400 jobs.

### Routes into the industry

A Levels/Public Service Diploma/BTEC – You must be 18 Years of age to apply to become a Police Officer.

Apprenticeship:

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/reference/1000122305>