

# SPECIAL CONSTABLES



## OVERVIEW OF THE ROLE

As a special constable you will carry out the same duties as regular police constables, bringing the skills from your day job to the front line. Specials get involved in all kinds of police work: responding to 999 emergency calls; taking part in proactive and reactive crime operations; safety and security at major events; special operations tackling underage drinking, criminal damage or public disorder; and many other tasks. Special constables are stationed in 32 boroughs across the capital, helping to make the streets safer and attending emergencies.

## TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

The Metropolitan Special Constabulary (MSC) foundation course will teach you about the various aspects of police work, including basic law, police procedures, officer safety, people skills and emergency life saving techniques.

The course lasts 24 days. This can be completed either each Saturday or Sunday, or through an intensive Monday to Friday course.

## BENEFITS

Although you won't be paid, your training and duties will give you unique experiences, plus new and valuable skills. We pay expenses so you will not be out of pocket for giving your time to us.

You'll also receive free travel on London underground, London buses, Croydon Tramlink, DLR and London Overground routes.

As a special constable, you'll have access to the Met Rewards scheme. This scheme is run by an external company, granting MPS staff discounts on a number of goods and services.

## HOW TO APPLY

To find out more please visit  
[www.metpolicecareers.co.uk/specials](http://www.metpolicecareers.co.uk/specials)

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be a special constable, you must:

- Be able to commit at least 200 hours per year
- Meet our nationality, residency, vetting and age criteria for Police Officers
- Have no tattoos visible on your face, visible above a collar line or on the hands, or anywhere on your body which could be deemed as offensive.
- Have a basic standard of health and fitness
- Be free from financial pressures such as un-discharged debts or liabilities and able to manage loans and debts sensibly.

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