

Special Constable prohibited Occupations

Group A – Ineligible occupations (not accepted)

- The armed forces
- Traffic wardens, civil enforcement officers and school crossing patrols
- Neighbourhood and street wardens and other uniformed patrols wardens, including those under the Rail Safety Accreditation Scheme (RSAS)
- Highway Agency Traffic Officers
- Police Community Support Officers
- Employers' police forces and private constabularies (police forces maintained by government departments and other bodies with powers that are not maintained under the Police Act 1996)
- Magistrates, judges, justices' clerks, and CPS employees
- SOCA staff designated with immigration officer or revenue and customs officer powers
- Members of Police Authorities or Police and Crime Commissioners
- Immigration Officers
- Revenue enforcement officers employed on any UK public transport system
- Holders of elected political office or those taking an active role in politics

Group B – Ineligible occupations at the discretion of the Chief Officer (accepted on case by case basis)

- Armed force reserves
- The Fire Service
- Occupations with client privilege
- Members of the medical and health professions
- SOCA staff including staff designated with constable powers
- Journalists

Group C – Other activities incompatible with the role – (not accepted)

- Holders (and their partners) of premises licences and designated premises supervisors, personal licences and licensees of betting/gaming premises

- Probation officers and youth and social workers involved in the administration of criminal law
- Bailiffs, warrant officers, private detectives and inquiry agents
- Employees of security organisations and security personnel, guards and door supervisors
- Civilian staff employed by police authorities or Police and Crime Commissioners