



# Why Work as a... Professional Security Operative

A solution for your training needs and career progression

## ROLE OVERVIEW

The broad purpose of the occupation is to be an organisation's first line of defence against activities that threaten the security of the UK and continuity of its organisations' core businesses. Professional security operatives protect people, assets, property and premises via a layered security approach.

## KEY POINTS

- **Level:** 3
- **Duration:** 12 months + End Point Assessment
- **Pathways:** Cash in Transit, Mobile Security, Operational Security and Security Control Room
- **Entry requirements:** You may be required to undertake training in maths and English. See [HERE](#) for more information
- **Career progression:** Options include Police Community Support Officer

## KNOWLEDGE REQUIREMENTS



- Relevant industry and operative specific regulations, legislation, guidance, and procedures (for example assignment instructions, SOPs, EOPs)
- The security systems, applications, technology, and equipment used, how to identify faults or errors and the remedial action to take
- Emergency procedures, incidents and disruptions that may occur in a security environment and the appropriate action or reporting process to take in the event of an incident
- Dynamic Risk Assessments for visits to a site or location

## SKILL REQUIREMENTS



- Use security systems, applications and software, technology and equipment in line with organisational and operational requirements
- Challenge suspicious activities on or around the site and apply SCA<sup>n</sup> principles (see, check, and notify)
- Use personal protection equipment (PPE) correctly
- Defuse potential conflict situations
- Identify the component parts of explosive and incendiary items, firearms, and other prohibited items
- Carry out various searches (for example, of areas, people, vehicles or items) in a operational security capacity
- Deploy the correct type of barrier in an operational security context safely
- Gather and store CCTV footage for evidential use

## BEHAVIOUR REQUIREMENTS



- Be vigilant, always paying close attention to detail
- Be professional, calm and positive role model to others in attitude to work
- Solution-focused displaying problem solving attributes
- Act reliably and responsibly
- Follow employer's or client's code of conduct relating to behaviour, appearance and conduct
- Build appropriate working relationships and respect boundaries. Be co-operative and flexible
- Act honestly and with integrity

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