

Job Title: Soldier



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Entry requirements:	<u>Apprenticeship</u> You could apply to join the army through an HM forces serviceperson intermediate apprenticeship. You'll need to apply directly to the army to find the best apprenticeship route for you. This will depend on your qualifications and which service role you're interested in, for example, engineering, health or logistics. Entry requirements - entry requirements vary More Information Army apprenticeships guide to apprenticeships <u>Volunteering</u> Join the Army Reserve to get experience of what life is like in the regular army. You'll also learn new skills at the same time. You'll need to: - be aged between 18 and 49 - commit to at least 19 or 27 days a year, depending on your unit - attend a 2-week training camp each year If you're between 12 and 18 years old, you can join the Army Cadet Force. <u>Direct Application</u> You can apply directly to join the army. You don't need any specific qualifications unless you're applying for a technical role like engineering or communications. You'll also need to be: - aged between 16 and 33 - physically fit If your application is accepted, you'll be invited to talk to someone at your local army careers centre about what you want to do. You'll then attend an assessment, which includes medical and fitness tests. <u>More Information</u> You'll find more information about careers in the army through Army Careers.
Skills required:	You'll need: - physical fitness and endurance - concentration skills and fast reactions - active listening skills and the ability to follow instructions quickly - the ability to work well with others in a team - patience and the ability to remain calm in stressful situations - the ability to accept criticism and work well under pressure - thinking and reasoning skills and the confidence to act quickly - to be thorough and pay attention to detail

	to be able to carry out basic tasks on a computer or hand-held device
What you'll do:	Your day-to-day duties will depend on your job. You could: - act as pit crew to move, refuel and arm helicopters - work on and maintain vehicles like tanks, HGVs and quad bikes - gather evidence and make arrests as part of the military police - provide administrative support in HR or finance roles - gather and analyse military intelligence and information - support health or veterinary services - track, store and deliver equipment and supplies to barracks and in the field - take part in parades as a musician or ceremonial gunner
What you'll earn:	- Starter – £15,671 (basic training) - Starter - £20,400 (Private) - Experienced - £35,853 (Sergeant) https://apply.army.mod.uk/what%20we%20offer/regular%20soldier/bene <i>These figures are a guide</i>
Working hours, patterns and environment:	Hours in the army are variable depending on circumstances. You could work at a military base, be based overseas or in a warzone. Your working environment may be physically and emotionally demanding and outdoors in all weathers. You may need to wear protective clothing and a uniform.
Career path and progression:	When you join the army, you sign up for 4 years. You can leave at any time after this as long as you give 12 months' notice. If you want to stay you can extend your 4-year contract. With training and experience you could move up through the ranks or into a specialist unit like the commandos or other regiments. You could also gain a commission to become an officer which would give you a higher salary. You could move into a wide range of careers after leaving the army. The Career Transition Partnership, Quest and Troops to Teachers have more information on careers outside the armed forces. Restrictions and Requirements You'll need to: - meet the British army nationality and residency rules - pass a fitness test - pass a medical check - pass security checks - pass enhanced background checks