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Science

# **ARMED FORCES**

#### Science careers in the British Army, RAF and Royal Navy

## WHAT IS IT?

There are many roles in the Armed Forces which use Science every day:

- $\Rightarrow$  Engineer
- $\Rightarrow$  Mechanic
- ⇒ Doctor, nurse, vet, dentist or pharmacist
- $\Rightarrow$  Communications officer
- $\Rightarrow$  Vehicle technician
- $\Rightarrow$  Electrician
- $\Rightarrow$  Intelligence officer
- $\Rightarrow$  Weapons systems operator
- $\Rightarrow$  Firefighter

Most Armed Forces roles pay you around £15,000 for your basic training, and this then raises depending on the role you have chosen. Salaries can be anywhere between £20,000 and more than £50,000 per year depending on your role.

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### WHERE CAN I GET A JOB?

To join the armed forces you can apply online, join Eastbourne Army Cadets or CCF at school (speak to Miss Haggart or Mr Millen to find out more). Joining the Armed Forces can take you around the world!

# QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

There are so many roles in the Armed Forces it would be impossible to include them all here. There are some examples below, but for more information on roles in the Army, RAF or Navy, click the links below.

#### Jobs in the British Army

Jobs in the RAF

#### Jobs in the Royal Navy

Most Armed Forces roles require a Grade 4 in GCSE English and Maths. In the Armed Forces you can work towards your qualifications while getting paid for living and training on base. For some roles you can join at the age of 16 and work through your qualifications as you go, or you could decide to go to to college and/or university first and join later.

Here are some example qualifications you can gain while in the military:

- $\Rightarrow$  Driving licenses for all types of machinery and vehicles including pilot license
- $\Rightarrow$  BTECs in areas such as Relief Operations Skills and Public Service
- $\Rightarrow$  Qualifications in parachuting, shooting, personal training and leadership
- $\Rightarrow$  Apprenticeships in areas such as engineering, logistics, animal care and construction
- $\Rightarrow$  University degrees in engineering, communications , aerospace and applied sciences

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