

MDP - SEARCH Ticket Holder Process

Stage One	Stage Two	Stage Three	Stage Four
From receipt of application to result – approximately 4 - 6 weeks	This stage can take anywhere from 2 – 5 months to complete	Commences on success at medical/fitness and when vetting and security clearances have been completed	Commences a minimum of 6 weeks prior to next available course start date
Submit application form and associated documents/photographs as requested. Applications are sifted against eligibility criteria: 1. Age 2. Driving Licence 3. Residency 4. Convictions/Cautions 5. Tattoos 6. Financial checks If unsuccessful on pre-sift – notified accordingly. SEARCH score/result validated If SEARCH score/result does not meet requirement–notified accordingly. Phase 1 Police Vetting	Candidate invited for fitness test (7.6 on bleep test) and firearms assessment. Phase 2 Police Vetting commences Candidate loaded for Security Clearance At a later date candidate will be invited for medical/drug & alcohol test. They will also be required to undertake a 20-30 minute face-to-face suitability interview; this will take place on the same day that they attend their medical appointment.	References Phase 3 Police Vetting	Contract Issued On-boarding/Hire actions Course start date notified
If unsuccessful at Phase 1 Police Vetting – notified accordingly.	All these actions run concurrently and a candidate can be unsuccessful at any stage – notified accordingly.	If unsuccessful at this stage – notified accordingly.	
Once candidate has passed at Stage One, they will be invited to the next available medical/fitness assessment. Candidate will be given a minimum of 3 weeks' notice to attend.			A candidate who fails their fitness test on first attempt will be offered one further attempt, at least 6 weeks later. Candidates who are unsuccessful at any stage of the process must wait 6 months before they can reapply.

The process in general can take anywhere from 6 – 9 months and is dependent on available assessment slots, vetting/clearances being achieved, success at fitness and medical and the next available course start date.

It is difficult to timeline each stage of the process, as this can vary candidate-by-candidate.