



# Apprenticeship Standard: Security First Line Manager Level 3



## Who is the programme for?

This apprenticeship is aimed at people working specifically in a security environment such as the Private Security Industry, MOD, Event Security, In-House Security and Department for Transport and will provide a vocational route to a career in Security Management (excluding close protection).

Security First Line Managers will be supervising people and activities in line with regulatory requirements, undertaking security risk assessments, providing security advice to others, understanding threat, vulnerability and risk, security methods, operations and activities, incident management and planning stakeholder management, business communications and data security management.

Understanding the threat, vulnerability and risk on a local, national and international security basis and how to respond accordingly, would offer candidates a significant advantage over others with general managerial skills.

## Duration?

The Apprenticeship is designed to be delivered over 18-21 months.

## How is it delivered?

You will be assigned a tutor who will plan an individual learning programme with you. Your tutor is responsible for training and supporting you to ensure that you have the knowledge, skills and behaviours to be able to successfully undertake your End Point Assessment. You will have regular tutorials each month and you will use online learning resources to support your learning.

We will collect evidence of the 'Off The Job' training you receive during your programme, which can include your online learning, completing activities and questions, work shadowing, mentoring and a range of other activities that can be undertaken whilst still being within your workplace and which should take place within your working hours. Your manager will be asked to support you with this before you start your programme.

## Entry requirements?

You should be aged 16 or over and be working or applying to work with a company where you will be in a role that enables you to have exposure to the responsibilities listed in the table over the page. There are no formal qualifications required, but you will need to have a minimum standard of level 1 English and maths in order to cope with the requirements of this programme.

If you don't already have a level 2 English and/or maths qualification, we will train and support you to achieve this as part of your programme. Those with any level of prior education, including degrees, may wish to apply and we will check your eligibility and suitability. As much of this programme is delivered online, you should be comfortable using IT.

## Progression?

Depending on your circumstances, you may wish to progress to a higher leadership and management qualification.

## Cost?

Apprenticeship Levy paying customers (companies with a digital account) can use their Levy to cover the full cost of training and End Point Assessment. Companies who have already utilised their Levy will contribute 5% of the full value of the programme, the balance (95%) is contributed by the government. Please contact us to confirm the value.

## Contact us

Please contact us using the details below and we can provide you with further information and discuss how to apply.

## What will my programme cover?

We have summarised some key elements below. A full set of standards can be provided upon request.

### Knowledge

- Assessing & controlling risks in relation to Health & Safety.
- Have complete understanding of current Health and Safety regulations, with a view to minimising H&S risks and hazards to health and wellbeing, relevant to the security context/environment in which you operate.
- Recognise the security needs of customers & stakeholders and affect appropriate solutions.
- Understand the market in which the role operates and the specific needs of each customer/industry stakeholder; thus developing strong customer relationships and confidence in the security provision.
- Identify and assess possible threats and take relevant action.
- Understand the organisational structure, policies & procedures as well as potential threats to the industry, modus operandi of individuals and specific organisations, both internally and externally.
- Manage staff performance, development and welfare.
- Awareness of the role requirements and individual knowledge & skills and security specific accreditation/certification of personnel needed to carry out their role within the security environment.
- Understanding of employment law, human rights, policies and procedures governing people management and knowledge of leadership & motivational theories and principles.
- Review security service provision against agreed KPIs, action within relevant regulations & guidelines.
- Knowledge of relevant regulations governing security on a local and national scale. Understand areas of development that need to be addressed, of a security nature, in relation to specific customer needs.
- Manage outcome of service review and take action.
- Understand concerns surrounding issues, threats and risk and be aware of available options.
- Ensure compliance with regulations & provide advice/solutions to potential security risks.
- Understand the regulations governing security on a local, national and where appropriate, international scale.
- Know how to identify and assess strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, risks, vulnerabilities and complex threats to security operations.
- Ensure security of communication.
- Be conscious of the need for the appropriate use of written/verbal communication in all areas of security, including effective use of radios. Control access to customer & client information, security details, alarm codes, keys etc.
- Manage community social responsibility.
- Know the impact and effects that your industry has on the environment and your responsibility to that community. Understand the importance of linking in with intelligence sources and crime/threat reduction initiatives.
- Control security of office/site/venue.
- Understand the customer's area of responsibility in order to provide the correct level of protection of all buildings and assets.
- Manage expectations.
- Understand the 'bigger picture'. Be aware of how your role impacts on others and the security environment.
- Effective deployment of resources.
- Awareness of all personnel and equipment in your area of responsibility e.g screening equipment, radios, CCTV equipment, barriers etc.

### Skills

- Application of Health & Safety legislation in a security environment.
- Application of Health and Safety policies & practices, ensuring compliance with all legislation and regulations whilst minimising risks and threats derived from operating in a security related role.
- Manage customers/clients/stakeholders.

- Ability to deliver a specific solution to meet the security needs of customer/industry stakeholder. Develop strong relationships and demonstrate competence & reliability in relation to security solutions and advice.
- Respond to threats.
- Identify and manage the threat effectively and use appropriate resources to reduce risks to the customer/organisation.
- Ensure staff are competent to operate within the security industry.
- The ability to interact with and manage people professionally and with integrity, whilst remaining compliant with all national and international security regulations and guidelines, employment law and the Human Rights Act. Providing coaching and guidance to instil confidence and competence within the workforce.
- Undertake review.
- The ability to review and affect change in relation to analysis of information/intelligence, feedback received, of a security nature.
- Manage outcomes/problem solving.
- Formulate and implement improvements to security, in order to reduce issues, address threats and minimise risk.
- Ensure compliance.
- Compliance with all organisational security operations, policies and procedures, utilising identified best practices and risk management principles. Take action to address non-compliance.
- Manage communication.
- The ability to communicate effectively on all levels, in various formats, both internally and externally, particularly during crisis management, incident reporting, liaising with other providers, such as Emergency Services.
- Encourage community social responsibility.
- Identify and implement effective measures to reduce/minimise risk and promote community social responsibility.
- Manage office/site/venue.
- Ability to dispatch/provide a sufficient level of security in order to protect the customer's assets in all circumstances including lone working, under duress and in hostile environments.
- Manage expectations.
- Deliver solutions to meet specific security expectations, to ensure successful completion of responsibilities.
- Manage resources/planning & organising.
- Utilise resources effectively, without injury or loss, in order to ensure full delivery of Security Service standards.

### Behavioural competencies

Candidates will conduct themselves in a way that is security conscious, professional, courteous, respectful, calm, customer focused, confidential and will behave with integrity.

## End Point Assessment

When you have completed your training period with TSP Learn, you will sign off your 'Gateway' with your tutor and line manager, which means you are ready to complete your End Point Assessment. The End Point Assessment in this apprenticeship consists of:

**An observation.**

**A presentation based on a synoptic work-based assessment undertaken during the programme.**

**A synoptic assessment interview.**

A **pass** or **distinction** grade is available for this apprenticeship programme.

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