

NPPF Revision Planner

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8-week plan · Sergeants' exam, October 2027

START WEEK 1	REGISTRATION CLOSES	EXAM WINDOW	RESULTS BY
Mon 9 Aug 2027	6pm, Thu 09 Sep 2027	5 to Thu 7 October 2027	Thu 28 October 2027

How to use it

Four study sessions a week, of about 60 to 90 minutes, fitted around your shifts. Tick each line when it is done. The 15-minute recap re-tests earlier weeks, so topics are not forgotten by exam day.

Short on time

With 8 weeks, this plan covers the Gold and Silver topics, which have carried the most marks in recent exams. Bronze topics, with up to 2 questions each in recent exams, are listed at the end. Cover them if you have time.

Registration

Dates are marked in red in the week they fall. Your force may close registration earlier, so check with your force examinations officer. Registration opens Tue 3 Aug 2027, before Week 1.

WEEK 1	Mon 9 Aug – Sun 15 Aug 2027	Crime
Session 1	Mens Rea (State of Mind)	☐
Session 2	Actus Reus (Criminal Conduct); Incomplete Offences	☐
Session 3	General Defences; Misuse of Drugs	☐
Session 4	Firearms and Gun Crime	☐
Practice	20 to 30 practice questions on this week's topics, from a question bank or the College's free questions on the Knowledge Hub.	☐
WEEK 2	Mon 16 Aug – Sun 22 Aug 2027	Crime
Session 1	Weapons	☐
Session 2	Racially and Religiously Aggravated Offences	☐
Session 3	Non-Fatal Offences Against the Person	☐
Session 4	Sexual Offences	☐
Recap	15 minutes: quick self-test on your Week 1 topics, without looking at your notes	☐
Practice	20 to 30 practice questions on this week's topics, from a question bank or the College's free questions on the Knowledge Hub.	☐
WEEK 3	Mon 23 Aug – Sun 29 Aug 2027	Crime
Session 1	Child Protection	☐
Session 2	Theft and Related Offences: read and start notes	☐
Session 3	Theft and Related Offences: finish notes, then self-test	☐
Session 4	Fraud; Criminal Damage	☐
Recap	15 minutes: quick self-test on your Week 2 topics, without looking at your notes	☐
Practice	20 to 30 practice questions on this week's topics, from a question bank or the College's free questions on the Knowledge Hub. Crime is finished: do an end-of-part self-test on all its topics.	☐
WEEK 4	Mon 30 Aug – Sun 5 Sep 2027	Evidence & Procedure
Session 1	Instituting Criminal Proceedings; Release of Person Arrested	☐
Session 2	Court Procedure and Witnesses	☐
Session 3	Exclusion of Admissible Evidence; Disclosure of Evidence; Detention and Treatment of Persons: read and start notes	☐
Session 4	Detention and Treatment of Persons: finish notes, then self-test	☐
Recap	15 minutes: quick self-test on your Week 3 and Week 1 topics, without looking at your notes	☐
Practice	20 to 30 practice questions on this week's topics, from a question bank or the College's free questions on the Knowledge Hub.	☐

WEEK 5	Mon 6 Sep – Sun 12 Sep 2027	Evidence & Procedure / General Police Duties
	Registration closes at 6pm (your force may close it earlier): Thu 9 Sep	
Session 1	Identification; Interviews	☐
Session 2	Stop and Search; Entry, Search and Seizure	☐
Session 3	Powers of Arrest	☐
Session 4	Hatred and Harassment Offences	☐
Recap	15 minutes: quick self-test on your Week 4 and Week 2 topics, without looking at your notes	☐
Practice	20 to 30 practice questions on this week's topics, from a question bank or the College's free questions on the Knowledge Hub. Evidence & Procedure is finished: do an end-of-part self-test on all its topics.	☐
WEEK 6	Mon 13 Sep – Sun 19 Sep 2027	General Police Duties
Session 1	Domestic Violence and Abuse; Public Order Offences, Processions and Assemblies: read and start notes	☐
Session 2	Public Order Offences, Processions and Assemblies: finish notes, then self-test	☐
Session 3	Offences Involving Standards of Driving and Road Policing Definitions and Principles	☐
Session 4	Drink, Drugs and Driving	☐
Recap	15 minutes: quick self-test on your Week 5 and Week 3 topics, without looking at your notes	☐
Practice	20 to 30 practice questions on this week's topics, from a question bank or the College's free questions on the Knowledge Hub. General Police Duties is finished: do an end-of-part self-test on all its topics.	☐
WEEK 7	Mon 20 Sep – Sun 26 Sep 2027	Consolidate
Session 1	Gold topics, Crime and Evidence & Procedure: Misuse of Drugs, Weapons, Non-Fatal Offences, Sexual Offences, Child Protection, Theft, Criminal Damage, Release of Person Arrested, Detention and Treatment of Persons, Interviews	☐
Session 2	Gold topics, General Police Duties: Entry, Search and Seizure, Powers of Arrest, Public Order, Standards of Driving and Road Policing Definitions	☐
Session 3	Learn the key time limits, authorising ranks and section numbers	☐
Session 4	Your three weakest topics from your mock log: re-read, then self-test	☐
Mock	Full timed paper: 150 questions in 3 hours, in one sitting. Record the score in your mock log.	☐
WEEK 8	Mon 27 Sep – Sun 3 Oct 2027	Final week: light review, no new material
Session 1	Flashcards, first half of your deck. Put aside any you miss and repeat them	☐
Session 2	Flashcards, second half of your deck. Put aside any you miss and repeat them	☐
Session 3	Learn the key time limits, authorising ranks and section numbers	☐
Session 4	Read over your own notes and the flashcards you keep getting wrong	☐
Mock	Short timed set only (30 to 40 questions). Read the exam-day checklist. Rest the day before.	☐

EXAM WEEK

Tue 5 to Thu 7 October 2027, 8am to 8pm each day. Results expected by Thu 28 October 2027.

If you have time Bronze topics, with up to 2 questions each in recent exams.

- ☐ Homicide
- ☐ Offences Involving the Deprivation of Liberty
- ☐ Administration of Justice and Public Interest
- ☐ Complaints and Misconduct
- ☐ Unsatisfactory Performance
- ☐ Protecting Citizens and the Community
- ☐ Information and Communications
- ☐ Terrorism and Associated Offences
- ☐ Sporting Events
- ☐ Protection of People Suffering from a Mental Disorder
- ☐ Offences Relating to Land and Premises
- ☐ Licensing and Offences Relating to Alcohol
- ☐ Diversity, Equality and Inclusion
- ☐ Key Police Powers Relating to Road Policing

Mock log Record every timed set and full paper. The pass mark is 55% (77 of the 140 marked questions).

DATE	PAPER OR SET	SCORE	%	WEAKEST TOPICS

Exam-day checklist

- ☐ Confirm which day and time you will sit it. You can choose any day in the window, 8am to 8pm.
- ☐ Re-read the candidate handbook rules for the online exam, including your room and equipment.
- ☐ Check your device and internet connection the day before.
- ☐ Clear your room of notes, books and other devices. Using AI tools is prohibited.
- ☐ Plan your pace: 150 questions in 3 hours is 50 questions an hour.
- ☐ Sleep properly the night before and eat before you start.