

NPPF Revision Planner

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8-week plan · Sergeants' exam, March 2027

START WEEK 1	REGISTRATION CLOSES	EXAM WINDOW	RESULTS BY
Mon 18 Jan 2027	6pm, Thu 18 Feb 2027	16 to Thu 18 March 2027	Thu 8 April 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. Bronze topics, which have come up less often in past sittings, are listed at the end. They can still be tested, so 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.

WEEK 1	Mon 18 Jan – Sun 24 Jan 2027	Crime
	Registration opens: Mon 18 Jan	
Session 1	Mens Rea (State of Mind)	Notes p.7 ☐
Session 2	Actus Reus (Criminal Conduct); Incomplete Offences	Notes p.9, 11 ☐
Session 3	General Defences; Misuse of Drugs: read and start notes	Notes p.13, 17 ☐
Session 4	Misuse of Drugs: finish notes, then self-test	Notes p.17 ☐
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 25 Jan – Sun 31 Jan 2027	Crime
Session 1	Firearms and Gun Crime; Racial and Religiously Aggravated Offences	Notes p.20, 23 ☐
Session 2	Non-Fatal Offences Against the Person: read and start notes	Notes p.25 ☐
Session 3	Non-Fatal Offences Against the Person: finish notes, then self-test	Notes p.25 ☐
Session 4	Sexual Offences	Notes p.31 ☐
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 1 Feb – Sun 7 Feb 2027	Crime
Session 1	Child Protection	Notes p.34 ☐
Session 2	Theft and Related Offences: read and start notes	Notes p.36 ☐
Session 3	Theft and Related Offences: finish notes, then self-test	Notes p.36 ☐
Session 4	Fraud; Criminal Damage	Notes p.40, 42 ☐
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.	Notes pp.43–45 ☐

WEEK 4	Mon 8 Feb – Sun 14 Feb 2027	Evidence & Procedure
Session 1	Instituting Criminal Proceedings; Release of Persons Arrested	Notes p.47, 49 ☐
Session 2	Court Procedure and Witnesses	Notes p.52 ☐
Session 3	Exclusion of Admissible Evidence; Disclosure of Evidence	Notes p.54, 56 ☐
Session 4	Detention and Treatment (PACE Code C)	Notes p.57 ☐
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 15 Feb – Sun 21 Feb 2027	Evidence & Procedure / Roads Policing / General Police Duties
Registration closes at 6pm (your force may close it earlier): Thu 18 Feb		
Session 1	Identification (PACE Code D); Interviews (PACE Codes C, E and F)	Notes p.60, 62 ☐
Session 2	Offences Involving Standards of Driving	Notes p.69 ☐
Session 3	Drink, Drugs and Driving; Stop and Search; Entry, Search and Seizure: read and start notes	Notes p.72, 85, 86 ☐
Session 4	Entry, Search and Seizure: finish notes, then self-test	Notes p.86 ☐
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. Roads Policing is finished: do an end-of-part self-test on all its topics.	Notes pp.63–64, pp.79–80 ☐
WEEK 6	Mon 22 Feb – Sun 28 Feb 2027	General Police Duties
Session 1	Powers of Arrest	Notes p.89 ☐
Session 2	Hatred and Harassment Offences; Public Order, Processions and Assemblies: read and start notes	Notes p.92, 99 ☐
Session 3	Public Order, Processions and Assemblies: finish notes, then self-test	Notes p.99 ☐
Session 4	Weapons	Notes p.104 ☐
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.	Notes pp.111–112 ☐
WEEK 7	Mon 1 Mar – Sun 7 Mar 2027	Consolidate
Session 1	Gold topics, Crime and Evidence & Procedure: Misuse of Drugs, Non-Fatal Offences, Sexual Offences, Child Protection, Theft, Criminal Damage, Release of Persons Arrested, PACE Code C	Notes pp.17, 25, 31, 34, 36, 42, 49, 57 ☐
Session 2	Gold topics, Roads and General Police Duties: Standards of Driving, Entry, Search and Seizure, Powers of Arrest, Public Order, Weapons	Notes pp.69, 86, 89, 99, 104 ☐
Session 3	Learn the key time limits, authorising ranks and section numbers	Notes pp.113–115 ☐
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 8 Mar – Sun 14 Mar 2027		Final week: light review, no new material
Session 1	Flashcards, first half of your deck. Put aside any you miss and repeat them	Notes pp.117–122, 129–134	☐
Session 2	Flashcards, second half of your deck. Put aside any you miss and repeat them	Notes pp.123–128, 135–140	☐
Session 3	Learn the key time limits, authorising ranks and section numbers	Notes pp.113–115	☐
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 16 to Thu 18 March 2027, 8am to 8pm each day. Results by Thu 8 April 2027.

If you have time Topics that have come up less often in past sittings. They can still be tested.

☐ Homicide	Notes p.15	☐ Forgery and Falsification of Documents	Notes p.79
☐ Misc. Offences Against the Person	Notes p.29	☐ Complaints and Misconduct	Notes p.82
☐ Administration of Justice	Notes p.43	☐ Unsatisfactory Performance	Notes p.84
☐ Youth Justice, Crime and Disorder	Notes p.53	☐ Anti-Social Behaviour	Notes p.94
☐ Definitions and Principles	Notes p.66	☐ Offences Involving Communications	Notes p.96
☐ Key Police Powers	Notes p.68	☐ Terrorism and Associated Offences	Notes p.97
☐ Reportable Accidents	Notes p.71	☐ Sporting Events	Notes p.103
☐ Insurance	Notes p.74	☐ Protection of People with Mental Disorders	Notes p.106
☐ Protection of Road Users	Notes p.75	☐ Offences Relating to Land and Premises	Notes p.107
☐ Construction and Use	Notes p.76	☐ Licensing and Offences Related to Alcohol	Notes p.108
☐ Driver Licensing	Notes p.77	☐ Offences Relating to Information	Notes p.109
☐ Notices of Intended Prosecution	Notes p.78	☐ Equality	Notes p.110

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.