

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Physical restrictions and other disqualifiers

Prospective candidates should read the following information carefully.

Unless all the criteria below are met candidates should not apply as they may put themselves at undue risk of incurring or exacerbating an injury or condition and will have difficulty completing the Physical Competence Assessment centre and training. They would therefore not be eligible to undertake the role.

These criteria will be confirmed through the Occupational Health Screening and Assessment.

Candidates should **not**:

- Suffer from any skin allergies and irritants, including eczema and heat/sweat rash
- Suffer from any lung function difficulties or breathing conditions including asthma which is inhaler dependent for treatment
- Suffer from claustrophobia or experience any other confinement-related difficulties
- Suffer from vertigo
- Wear contact lenses. Glasses are acceptable provided both Distance and Intermediate Vision requirements are met wearing the same pair of glasses (see Eyesight Test Form)

Candidates should:

- Be clean shaven below lip level and facially shave every 24 hours
- Fall within the minimum and maximum sizing categories as stipulated in the enclosed sizing chart
- Wear size 3 -14 boots
- Be prepared where necessary to respond to national incidents in other areas of the country which may involve being away from home for protracted periods.

All candidates will need to be able to demonstrate at least three years recent operational experience within the NHS Ambulance Service. In some exceptional cases, candidates with equivalent experience in other organisations, e.g. military, will be considered.

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