



Stop and Search

Policy

1. Introduction

1.1 This Policy Document sets out Surrey Police's approach to Stop and Search.

2. Policy Statement

2.1 Surrey Police recognises the importance of the fair and effective use of stop and search to keep the public safe from harm, prevent crime and bring offenders to justice.

2.2 Surrey Police expects stop and search powers to be used fairly objectively and proportionately.

2.3 It must withstand independent public scrutiny and should encourage trust and confidence from our communities.

- You must comply with the requirements of the Surrey Police Stop & Search Procedure.
- Your actions must be justified, lawful and transparent and withstand independent public scrutiny
- You must have a genuine, objective and reasonable suspicion that you will find a prohibited article or item for use in crime
- You must justify that a search was the most proportionate method to use to establish whether such an item was present
- You must treat people with respect and explain why a search is necessary in a way they will understand. You must comply with [PACE Code A](#), Authorised Professional Practice (APP) and the Code of Ethics.

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