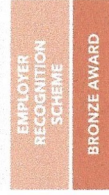


Defence Employer Recognition Scheme

On the 17th July 2014 the Prime Minister launched the Employer Recognition Scheme, to recognise and reward UK employers for their support and commitment towards Defence. The scheme was a commitment made in the July 2013 White Paper "Reserves in the Future Force 2020".

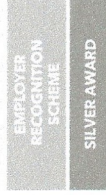
There are three tiers of award – Bronze, Silver and Gold – for employers who first pledge, then demonstrate, then advocate support to the Armed Forces Community in alignment with the Armed Forces Covenant.



Bronze Award

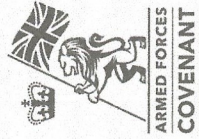
Employers can register using the Employer Recognition Scheme website or attached form to register their intent to be a supportive employer of the Armed Forces Community.

Employers will have their details published on the website to publically indicate their support.



Silver Award

The Silver Award recognises employers who actively demonstrate support made in their Armed Forces Covenant and employ at least one member of the Armed Forces Community, be that a Reservist, Cadet Force Adult Volunteer, Service Leaver or military spouse. Employers must be nominated for a Silver Award by a third party via the Employer Recognition Scheme website. Silver Award winners will be recognised at Regional events.



Gold Award

The Gold Award recognises those employers who qualify at the Silver level but are also advocates of Defence, as evidenced by publicity of the pledges and demonstrations of support made in their Armed Forces Covenant. Employers must be nominated for a Gold Award by a third party via the Employer Recognition Scheme website. Gold Award winners will be recognised at a National event: in 2015 winners were hosted at No.10 by the Prime Minister.

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