

WHO CAN JOIN AN GARDA SÍOCHÁNA?

To be eligible for selection as a Garda Trainee, an applicant must:

Be of good character.

Be certified by a Registered Medical Practitioner (nominated by the Commissioner) to be in good health, of sound constitution and suited physically and mentally to performing the duties of a member of the service.

Have passed a Physical Competence Test and such other tests as may be determined by the Commissioner.

Be between the ages of 18 and 34.

(Be 18 years of age but not yet 35 years of age at midnight on the 16th March 2022).

Be a national of an EU Member State, an EEA State, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland or the Swiss Confederation **or** a refugee, or a family member of such a person, in relation to whom a refugee declaration is in force and continues to be in force for the entire duration of the Garda Recruit selection and admissions process, **or** a person granted subsidiary protection, or a family member of such a person, in relation to whom a subsidiary protection declaration is in force and continues to be in force for the entire duration of the Garda Recruit selection and admissions process, **or** have had a period of one year's continuous residence in the State and, during the 8 years immediately preceding that period, has had a total legal residence in the State amounting to 4 years.

Have obtained an Irish Leaving Certificate with a grade D3 or O6 minimum in five subjects at Ordinary Level, or hold a Level 5 Major award (120 credits) on the National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ), or hold a recognised qualification (at Level 5 or greater), deemed comparable to the aforementioned qualifications as determined by Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI).

Be proficient in the Irish language and/or the English language.

Must have relinquished all previous employment prior to entry to the Garda College and may not be on a career break from any such employment upon entry.





THE DIFFERENCE IS YOU