

Guidance - Leaving the Volunteer Police Cadet Scheme

A cadet may leave the scheme at any time however when a cadet turns 18-year-old age they will no longer be eligible to be a cadet and must leave the scheme. Notice should be given in writing and all uniform and equipment returned.

All cadets who leave the scheme will be given the opportunity to complete and Exit Questionnaire and Interview.

If a cadet shows poor attendance and/or unacceptable behaviour they may be requested to leave the scheme.

When leaving the scheme if the cadet has volunteered for more than one year, they should receive a certificate of service.

Some cadets wish to continue beyond 18 as cadet instructors or volunteer leaders. There is no requirement and nor is it possible for you to keep every cadet on in this way. Unit leaders should decide whether a young person would be suitable to be cadet instructor or leader based on the skills, behaviour and commitment they have shown in their time as a cadet.

They will also need to apply to be a cadet instructor or leader through you Force's normal recruitment channels