



## Arc Academy UK Ltd

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We, the undersigned, commit to honour the Armed Forces Covenant and support the Armed Forces Community. We recognise the value Serving Personnel, both Regular and Reservists, Veterans and military families contribute to our business and our country.

Signed on behalf of:

**Arc Academy UK Ltd**

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Date: 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017 \_\_\_\_\_



# The Armed Forces Covenant

An Enduring Covenant Between

The People of the United Kingdom  
Her Majesty's Government

- and -

All those who serve or have served in the Armed Forces of the Crown

And their Families

The first duty of Government is the defence of the realm. Our Armed Forces fulfil that responsibility on behalf of the Government, sacrificing some civilian freedoms, facing danger and, sometimes, suffering serious injury or death as a result of their duty. Families also play a vital role in supporting the operational effectiveness of our Armed Forces. In return, the whole nation has a moral obligation to the members of the Naval Service, the Army and the Royal Air Force, together with their families. They deserve our respect and support, and fair treatment.

Those who serve in the Armed Forces, whether Regular or Reserve, those who have served in the past, and their families, should face no disadvantage compared to other citizens in the provision of public and commercial services. Special consideration is appropriate in some cases, especially for those who have given most such as the injured and the bereaved.

This obligation involves the whole of society: it includes voluntary and charitable bodies, private organisations, and the actions of individuals in supporting the Armed Forces. Recognising those who have performed military duty unites the country and demonstrates the value of their contribution. This has no greater expression than in upholding this Covenant.

## Section 1: Principles Of The Armed Forces Covenant

1.1 We ARC Academy UK Ltd will endeavour in our business dealings to uphold the key principles of the Armed Forces Covenant, which are:

- *no member of the Armed Forces Community should face disadvantage in the provision of public and commercial services compared to any other citizen*
- *in some circumstances, special treatment may be appropriate especially for the injured or bereaved.*

## Section 2: Demonstrating our Commitment

2.1 Arc Academy UK Ltd recognises the value serving personnel, reservists, veterans and military families bring to our business. We will seek to uphold the principles of the Armed Forces Covenant, by:

- *promoting the fact that we are an armed forces-friendly organisation;* by publicising Our Armed Forces Covenant commitment through our Web-Site and Company Brochure, by displaying the Armed Forces Covenant poster in our Locations across the UK.
- *seeking to support the employment of veterans young and old and working with the Career Transition Partnership (CTP), to establish a tailored employment pathway for Service Leavers;* We will work with Career Transition Partnership in recruiting individuals who are leaving the Armed Forces.
- *endeavouring to offer a degree of flexibility in granting leave for Service spouses and partners before, during and after a partner's deployment;* we will look sympathetically on requests for holidays before, during or after a partners' overseas deployment, when the person has leave to spend time with their family.
- *seeking to support our employees who choose to be members of the Reserve forces,* by accommodating their training and deployment where possible.
- *aiming to actively participate in Armed Forces Day;* we will actively follow Armed Forces Day on Twitter, LinkedIn and other social media platforms and post supportive messages and this will be linked to the Armed Forces Day website.

- *offering a discount to members of the Armed Forces Community:* ARC Academy will offer a discount on training services to members of the Armed Forces who produce a Defence Privilege Card, our services will be included on the Defence Discount Service website.