



## RecruitMe

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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:

**RecruitMe**

Signed:

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Position: Managing Partners

Date: 17 June 2018

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# 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 **RecruitMe** 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 We recognise 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 Armed Forces:** promoting the fact that we are an Armed Forces-friendly organisation, to our staff, customers, suppliers, contractors and wider public. We are a veteran owned business and our team is drawn predominantly from the military; we are wholeheartedly committed to promoting and supporting the Armed Forces;
- **Veterans:** supporting the employment of veterans, recognising military skills and qualifications in our recruitment and selection process; working with the Career Transition Partnership (CTP) and the Officers Association in order to establish a tailored employment pathway for Service leavers; we will also encourage employers across the UK to employ service leavers and veterans;
- **Service Spouses & Partners:** supporting the employment of Service spouses and partners; working with and advertising vacancies with the military Families Federations' Forces Families Jobs portal and encouraging employers to do the same; providing flexibility in granting leave for Service spouses and partners before, during and after a partner's deployment;
- **Reserves:** supporting our staff who are members of the Reserve Forces; granting additional leave for annual Reserve Forces training; supporting any mobilisations; actively encouraging members of staff to become Reservists; encouraging employers to do the same;
- **Cadet Organisations:** supporting our staff who are volunteer leaders in military cadet organisations, granting additional leave to attend annual training camps and courses; actively encouraging members of staff to become volunteer leaders in cadet organisations; supporting local military cadet units;
- **National Events:** supporting Armed Forces Day, Reserves Day, the Poppy Appeal Day and Remembrance activities; promoting these events to local businesses and the community;
- **Armed Forces Charities:** supporting Armed Forces charities with fundraising and supporting staff who volunteer to assist;

- **Commercial Support:** offering a free career advisory service to Service leavers and veterans; a generous discount to veteran owned businesses and those who are part of the Armed Forces community;
- **Advocating:** we will raise awareness of the Armed Forces community to local businesses, highlighting the potential benefits of employing Service leavers, Reservists and military spouses / partners.

2.2 We will publicise these commitments through our internal and external communication channels, setting out how we will seek to honour them and inviting feedback from the Service community, our staff and our customers on how we are doing.