

Police Academy

**Training
Knowledge
Research**

« waakzaam en dienstbaar »





The Police Academy

The Police Academy provides training, knowledge and research for the National Police of the Netherlands. It is a dynamic organization, offering training and knowledge programmes of a high standard of quality, anticipating current developments in society and translating these into customized education programmes.

The Police Academy cooperates with the National Police and other partners in the fields of security, education, knowledge and research.

The Police Academy:

- offers accredited police training at vocational, college and university level, developed and carried out in close cooperation with the police force and educational institutes;
- provides customized training programmes on police work and national security;
- conducts scientific and applied research via research groups;
- makes knowledge on policing accessible to the police force.
- cooperates intensively with partner organizations via the Safety Platform (Veiligheidsplatform);
- functions as a leading institute in the fields of national and international security.





The Police Academy provides a safe and inspiring learning environment for the police and their partners and aims to be a top-level institute for security issues.



Locations

5 basic police training locations
3 specialist centres
Apeldoorn has both

Personnel:

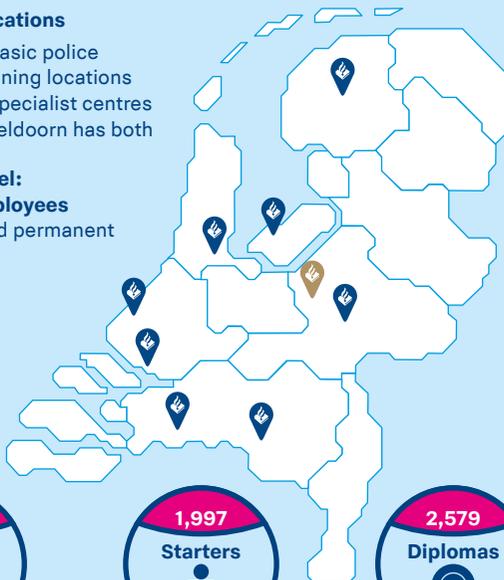
1,417 FTE employees

both temporary and permanent



Website Visits

www.kombijdepolitie.nl
'join the police' website



Research groups

organized into research teams



selection processes completed



new candidates began the basic police training programme



diplomas awarded



took part in specialist training and education



certificates and participation certificates awarded



certificates of gained prior (learning) competencies



Police Training



The Dutch National Police has the crucial and unique task of maintaining law and order in the Netherlands. In a complex and rapidly changing society, this is a highly dynamic task. Police work is laborious and complex, so continuous professionalization is required to meet the high expectations of society and the political establishment.

The Police Academy ensures that the police have the best people available, and enables these people to develop their skills and talents on a continuous basis. One important focus is the combination of expertise, skills, professional attitude and behaviour. The Police Academy uses available innovative technology such as apps, professional gaming and virtual reality training.



Basic Police Training

The Basic Police Training is aimed at recruits who stand at the threshold of their policing career. There are various basic training levels, varying from vocational (levels 2, 3 and 4) to college and university level. The police training system is competence-based, to tie in with police practice and the authorities and competencies police officers need to be able to do their job. Students alternately following training at the academy and then an internship within the police force.

Both at the Police Academy and in the police force, students work on their assignments to complete their proof of competence. These assignments are tasks and problems police officers are regularly faced with and which are characteristic for their profession.

Specialist Police Training

The Specialist Police Training programmes are advanced courses for experienced police officers. The Police Academy offers them the opportunity to specialize in a specific field, such as crime investigation, immigration, traffic, environment, risk management and police leadership.

Partnership

The combination of education and work (dual system) is one of the pillars of police training. It makes the Police Academy and the police force partners in safety and security. Starting point is the fact that a student has a position with a police force (regional or national unit). The police force is responsible for the recruitment, probationary period, payment, performance and assessment interviews. The Police Academy has the (final) responsibility for the quality of training.

Knowledge and research

Within the Police Academy, knowledge and research are aimed at improving and strengthening the policing profession. All activities are aimed at improving police practices and enhancing training and education. Implementing knowledge is at the forefront. To achieve this goal, the academy is in continuous contact with educational institutes and the police force.



Internationalization



Police work is increasingly being influenced by the progressive internationalization of our society. The Police Academy has therefore decided to include this trend in its educational and knowledge products. The international dimension of police training and knowledge are systematically traced and processed.

Cross-border police operations, European policing and international laws and regulations are examples of subjects that have been added to the curriculum in recent years.

The Police Academy also plays an active role in implementing bilateral, European and international programmes, set up under the terms of agreements made between the Netherlands and other European member states as well as countries outside the EU.



International courses and training

The Police Academy enables police officers from abroad to take part in courses and training programmes, with courses being offered in English. Examples include the International Masterclass and Introduction to Police Education Below Sea Level (an introductory course focusing on the Dutch police training system).

Cepol

Cepol stands for 'Collège Européen de Police', the European Police College. Cepol is an EU agency that provides training and learning opportunities to law enforcement officers on issues vital to the security of the European Union and its citizens. Training covers topics ranging from leadership to law enforcement techniques and from EU cooperation to counter terrorism and migration issues. Activities are designed to facilitate the sharing of knowledge and best practices and to contribute to the development of a common European law enforcement culture. The Cepol National Contact Point for the Netherlands, which is located at the Police Academy, coordinates and supports all activities organized within the scope of the Cepol network. The Police Academy represents the Netherlands in the Board of Cepol.

Erasmus+

The Police Academy participates in the Erasmus international student exchange programme. Our international English-language Bachelor's Programme in Applied Research in the Context of European Policing (MARCEP) is unique in Europe. The programme offers a Minor in Research designed for both Dutch and international students. The Bachelor's Programme is accredited and worth 30 ECTS, distributed over several exam assignments. You can also attend a part of the programme for 15 ECTS.

Information

For more information about international cooperation, you can contact Staff International Relations & Internationalization (SIRI) at the Police Academy siri@politieacademie.nl. International students can contact us at student.exchange@politieacademie.nl.

The Police Academy

Headquarters of the Police Academy is housed in a historic building in Apeldoorn and has all the modern facilities required for law enforcement training, from shooting ranges to expansive outdoor practice grounds. The Academy also has a modern media library, where students and staff can work, or search for information, at any time.

Location



