



Police Abbreviations

Ab Load	Abnormal Load	DNA	Deoxyribo-Nucleic Acid
ABC	Acceptible Behaviour Contract	DOB	Date of Birth
ABH	Actual Bodily Harm	DPP	Director of Public Prosecutions
ACC	Assistant Chief Constable	DS/DSgt	Detective Sergeant
ACK	Acknowledge	DSU	Dedicated Source Unit (as per RIPA/CHIS)
ACPO	Association of Chief Police Officer	DSupt	Detective Superintendent
AFO	Armed Firearms Officer	DVLA	Driver Vehicle Licensing Authority
Airwaves	Radio System	DVU	Domestic Violence Unit
AIU	Accident Investigation Unit	EGT	Evidence Gathering Team
ANPR	Automatic Number Plate Recognition	Elvis	Vehicle Recovery System
ARVU	Armed Response Vehicle Unit	EMAS	East Midlands Ambulance Service
ASB	Anti-Social Behaviour	ETA	Estimated Time of Arrival
ASBOs	Anti-Social Behaviour Orders	F/S CODE	Force/Station Code
AWOL	Absent Without Leave (Military Personnel)	FHQ	Force Headquarters
BCU	Basic Command Unit	FIB	Force Intelligence Bureau
BOP	Breach of the Peace	FIO	Field Intelligence Office/Officer
BPA	Black Police Association	FIO	Force Intelligence Office/Officer
BT	British Telecommunications	FLO	Family Liaison Officer
BTP	British Transport Police	FME	Forensic Medical Examiner
BUA	Built Up Area	GBH	Grievous Bodily Harm
BVPI	Best Value Performance Indicator	GMP	Greater Manchester Police
BVR	Best Value Review	H/A	Home Address
C & C	Command and Control Closed Circuit Television	HATO	Highways Agency Traffic Officer
CAB	Citizens Advice Bureau	HMIC	Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary
CAMHS	Child & Adult Mental Health Services	HMP	Her Majesty's Prison
CB	Casualty Bureau	HO	Home Office
CBO	Criminal Behaviour Order	HQ	Headquarters
CBRN	Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear	HR	Human Resources
CC	Chief Constable	HR	Human Rights
CI/CIInsp	Chief Inspector	HSE	Health & Safety Executive
CID	Criminal Investigation Department	I/P	Injured Party
Claire's Law	Find out if a partner has a violent Past	Insp	Inspector
CMHT	Community Mental Health Teams Compact	IP	Injured Party
COMPACT	Missing person System	IPCC	Independent Police Complaints Commission
CPU	Child Protection Unit	L&D	Learning & Development
CSI	Crime Scene Investigator	LIO	Local Intelligence Office/Officer
CSupt/Ch Supt	Chief Superintendent	LPU	Local Policing
D & D	Drunk & Disorderly	MAGS	Magistrates Court
D/L	Driving Licence	MAPPA	Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements
DC/DCon/DCo nst	Detective Constable	MISPER	Missing Person
DCC	Deputy Chief Constable	MOD	Ministry of Defence
DCI	Detective Chief Inspector	MPS	Metropolitan Police Service
DCS/	Detective Chief Superintendent	N/T	No Trace
DI/DInsp	Detective Inspector	NAI	Non Accidental Injury
DIB	Divisional Investigation Bureau	NCALT	National Centre for Applied Learning Techniques

NCRS	National Crime Recording Standard	RTC	Road Traffic Collision
NDM	National Decision Making (Model)	RTI	Road Traffic Incident
NFA	No Fixed Abode	S/Insp	Special Inspector
NFA	No Further Action	S/Sgt	Special Sergeant
NFPA	No Further Police Action	Sarah's Law	Child Sex offender Disclosure Scheme
NHWA	Neighbourhood Watch Association	SARC	Sexual Assault Referral Centre
NIB	National Identification Bureau	SB	Special Branch
NIM	National Intelligence Model	SC	Special Constable
NIRS	National Incident Recording Standard	SIO	Senior Investigating Officer
OBS	Observation	SNT	Safer Neighbourhood Team
OIC	Officer in Charge/Command	SNU	Surname Unknown
Ops	Operations	SOCO	Scenes of Crime Officer (This is being replaced by SSO)
O'SARA	Problem solving model used by Neighbourhood Policing	SOLO	Sexual Offences Liaison Officer (see SOIT)
OST	Officer Safety Training aka PST	SPOC	Single Point of Contact
P/Staff	Police Staff	SUDI	Sudden Unexplained Death of an Infant
PACE	Police and Criminal Evidence Act	Supt	Superintendent
PAT	Pro Active Team	SWOT	Model used in assessing options to address situations resolve problems
PC	Police Constable	SYP	South Yorkshire Police
PCSO	Police Community Support Officer	T/DC	Trainee Detective Constable
PDF	Personal Descriptive Form	TA	Tactical Advisor
PDP	Potentially Dangerous Person	TACT	Terrorism Act
PDR	Personal Development Record/Review	TFMV	Theft from Motor Vehicle
PNB	Pocket Note Book	TIC	Taken Into Consideration (In respect of sentencing)
PNC	Police National Computer	TWOC	Taking Without Consent (Concerning motor vehicles)
PNCID	Police National Computer Identification Number	U or U/K	Unknown
POLAC	Police Accident aka PVA	UNISON	Professional Body representing Police Staff
PRECONS	Previous Convictions	URN	Unique Reference Number
PS/PSgt	Police Sergeant	USI	Unlawful Sexual Intercourse
PSD	Professional standards department	VEH	Vehicle
PSH	Person Susceptible to harm	VEL	Vehicle Excise Licence
PST	Personal Safety Training aka OST	VIN	Vehicle Identification Number (PNC Facility)
PSU	Police Support Unit	VISOR	Violent Sex Offenders Registrar
PSV	Police Support Volunteer	VRM	Vehicle Registration Mark
PVA	Police Vehicle Accident aka POLAC	WM	Wanted/Missing
PYO	Persistent Young Offender		