



DURHAM
CATHEDRAL

Vacancy for Relief Porter (Security Officer)

Job Title:	Relief Porter (Security Officer)
Location:	Durham Cathedral
Contract:	Permanent
Hours of Work:	Zero Hours – according to business needs
Salary:	£13.91 per hour

An opportunity has arisen for a Relief Porter (Security Officer) to join our current team, who provide portering and security services at Durham Cathedral. The role of Porter is historic to the Cathedral and dates back to ancient times. The modern equivalent encompasses routine foot patrols of the Cathedral site, knowledge of CCTV, fire systems, custody of keys and responsibility for securing the premises, and providing security for major events held in the Cathedral.

Durham Cathedral is an active place of worship, serving the people of Durham and the wider North East. We are also a world-leading tourism destination, being part of the Durham World Heritage Site. Embedded within our community and the region which we serve, working at Durham Cathedral is professionally stimulating and rewarding.

The successful candidate will ideally have significant experience of security duties including experience of a variety of alarm and fire systems, and an understanding of security issues associated with a significant historical building and its grounds. Excellent communication skills and the ability to manage difficult situations appropriately with discretion and confidentiality will also be key to this appointment.

In line with the Cathedral's Safer Recruitment procedures, applicants must be willing and able to undergo the relevant pre-employment checks including provision of proof of eligibility to work in the UK, a full and complete employment history, satisfactory references and a Basic Disclosure and Barring Service check.

Durham Cathedral is committed to safeguarding. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. For further details, please refer to our Safeguarding Policy Statement available on our website and to the Candidate Information Pack also available on our website.

Closing date for receipt of completed application forms is 9am on Monday 17 November 2025.

Interview date and location: Tuesday 25 November 2025 at Durham Cathedral.

For a candidate application pack please go to:

<https://www.durhamcathedral.co.uk/about-us/jobs>