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# Members for Independent Monitoring Boards throughout England, Scotland, Northern Ireland, and Wales

Application deadline 7 May 2023



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## Summary

### Organisation

Independent Monitoring Board of any prison or young offender institution

### Sponsor department

Ministry of Justice

### Location

Various

### Sector

Judicial, Prisons & Policing

### Skills

Communication, Regulation

### Number of vacancies

50

### Time commitment

Adhoc

### Length of term

Up to 3 years with reappointment available up to a maximum tenure of 15 years.

### Application deadline

11:59pm on 7 May 2023

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## Timeline for this appointment

### Opening date

27 March 2023

### Application deadline

11:59pm on 7 May 2023

### Sifting date

19 May 2023

### Interviews expected to end on

26 May 2023

Timeline dates are only an estimate and can change

## About the role

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### Introduction

We are currently looking for new volunteer members to join the IMB across Immigration Removal Centres (IRC) and Short-Term Holding Facilities (STHF) in England, Scotland, Northern Ireland, and Wales. Our members help to ensure that proper standards of care and decency are maintained.

### Role description

Inside every Immigration Detention facility, there is an IMB – a group of ordinary members of the public doing an extraordinary job. IMB members are independent, unpaid and complete an average of 2-3 visits per month depending on the needs of the Board and the individual. Additional visits will be required during new members' induction year. Members are the eyes and ears of the Minister and monitor the day-to-day life in their local Immigration Detention facility to ensure that proper standards of care and decency are maintained. Your background can be as a student, a person of working age or retired. We welcome applications from people over 18 and are particularly keen to hear from those of working age and individuals from black and minority ethnic communities, since these groups are under-represented on existing Boards. The role is about fairness and decency and is always rewarding, educational and challenging. Please go to [www.imb.org.uk](http://www.imb.org.uk) (<http://www.imb.org.uk>) to find out how being an IMB member can benefit you.

We are looking for members at the following locations:

Bedfordshire

Yarl's Wood IRC

County Durham:

Derwentside IRC

Hampshire

South and West STHF (Portsmouth International Port)

Kent

Kent Coast STHF (Kent Intake Unit, Western Jet Foil and Manston)

London:

Heathrow IRC

London STHF (Heathrow and City airports)

West Sussex

Gatwick IRC (Brook House and Tinsley House)

Essex and Suffolk

South and East STHF (Purfleet Port, Tilbury Port, Felixstowe Port, Harwich Port, Southend airport, Stansted airport)

Manchester and Liverpool

North West and Midlands STHF (Manchester Airport and Liverpool Immigration Reporting Centre Holding Rooms)

Anglesey

North West and Midlands STHF (Port of Holyhead)

Strathaven

Dungavel IRC

Edinburgh

Scotland and Northern Ireland STHF (Edinburgh airport)

Aberdeen

Scotland and Northern Ireland STHF (Aberdeen airport)

Antrim

Scotland and Northern Ireland STHF (Larne House Residential Short-Term Holding Facility)

Belfast

Scotland and Northern Ireland STHF (Drumkeen House Residential Short-Term Holding Facility)

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### **Essential criteria**

Candidates need to be over 18 years of age and live within 40 miles (or a reasonable travel time) of their nearest Immigration Detention facility and hold a current passport.

### **Desirable criteria**

Applicants do not need any special qualifications or experience as we will provide all necessary training and support. You need to be enthusiastic, open minded, possess effective communication skills and have the ability to exercise sound, objective judgement.

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