

constable

[ˈkɒnstəb(ə)] *n*

- 1) констебль (*низший полицейский чин*)
special constables - специальные констебли; ≅ дружинники
- 2) полицейский, полисмен
Chief Constable - начальник полиции (*в городе или графстве*)
2. *уст.* коннетабль; комендант крепости *или* замка
Constable of the Tower of London - комендант лондонского Тауэра
◇ to outrun /to overrule/ the constable - а) наделять долгов; б) жить не по средствам

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

constable [constable constables] *BrE* [ˈkɒnstəbl̩] *AmE* [ˈkɑːnstəbəl] **noun**

1. (*BrE*) (used especially when talking to a police officer of the lowest rank) = ↑**police constable**
• Have you finished your report, Constable?
see also ↑**chief constable**
2. (*in the US*) a peace officer with some of the powers of a police officer, typically in a small town

Word Origin:

Middle English originally the governor of a royal castle: from Old French **conestable**, from late Latin **comes stabuli** 'count (head officer) of the stable'. The current sense dates from the mid 19th cent.

Example Bank:

- The force hopes to increase the number of its beat constables.
- Have you finished your report yet, Constable?
- The children were taken out of the room by a woman police constable.

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[Date: 1800-1900; Origin: constable 'high-ranking royal official, local officer of the law' (12-21 centuries), from Old French conestable, from Late Latin comes stabuli 'officer of the stable']

1. a British police officer of the lowest rank
2. in the US, someone who has some of the powers of a police officer and can send legal documents that order someone to do something

THESAURUS

■ **people in the police**

- **police officer** (*also* **officer**) a member of the police. In British English, **police officer** is used especially in more formal contexts, for example in news reports. In everyday English, British people still usually say **policeman** or **policewoman**: a senior police officer | He was sentenced to life in prison for killing a police officer. | He is the officer in charge of the case. | Officer Fayard (=in the US 'Officer' is used in the title of police officers)
- **policeman** a man who is a member of the police: an off-duty policeman | He's a former policeman.
- **policewoman** a woman who is a member of the police: The girl, accompanied by a policewoman and two social workers, was seen in private by Sheriff George Crozier.
- **PC/WPC abbreviation** used in the job titles of British police officers. **PC** means 'Police Constable' and **WPC** means 'Woman Police Constable': PC Keith Fletcher | WPC Susan Larkin
- **detective** a police officer whose job is to discover who is responsible for crimes: Detectives are investigating the death of a baby boy. | Detective Inspector John Hartwell
- **plain-clothes adjective** a plain-clothes police officer wears ordinary clothes instead of a uniform: Two plain-clothes police officers, acting as hotel security men, kept watch on him.
- **constable** a British police officer of the lowest rank: a police constable | Constable Robin Cameron
- **chief constable** a senior police officer who is in charge of the police in a particular area in Britain: the chief constable of North Yorkshire police
- **cop informal** a police officer: You'd better call the cops.
- **trooper** a US police officer in a state police force: a New Jersey state trooper

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