

On Duty / Daily Work – Służba i codzienne obowiązki

Key Phrases

On duty / off duty	Na służbie / po służbie
Patrol the area	Patrolować teren
Call for backup	Wezwać wsparcie
Respond to a call	Odpowiedzieć na wezwanie / zgłoszenie
Secure the scene	Zabezpieczyć miejsce zdarzenia
File a report	Sporządzić raport / notatkę służbową
Issue a ticket	Wystawić mandat
Radio in	Nadać przez radio / zgłosić przez radio
Be on the lookout (BOLO)	Rozglądać się za / być czujnym na (np. poszukiwaną osobę)

Police Vocabulary Practice: On Duty / Daily Work

◇ Exercise 1: Match the Phrases to Their Meanings

Match each English expression with the correct explanation.

Phrase	Definition
1. ____ On duty / off duty	a) Communicate by radio
2. ____ Patrol the area	b) Watch for a wanted person or vehicle
3. ____ Call for backup	c) Write an official report after an incident
4. ____ Respond to a call	d) Working / not working
5. ____ Secure the scene	e) Ask for more officers to help
6. ____ File a report	f) Go to the place where help is needed
7. ____ Issue a ticket	g) Give a fine for breaking the law
8. ____ Radio in	h) Make the area safe and keep people out
9. ____ Be on the lookout (BOLO)	i) Drive or walk around to check an area

◇ Exercise 2: Gap Fill

Fill in the blanks with the correct phrase.

1. Officer Smith was _____ when the robbery happened, so she responded immediately.
 2. The sergeant ordered the officers to _____ the bank and keep civilians away.
 3. After the chase, the team had to _____ describing what happened.
 4. If the situation becomes dangerous, _____ right away.
 5. Officers _____ the downtown area every evening.
 6. The dispatcher told them to _____ to a call about domestic violence.
 7. The officer _____ a driver for using a mobile phone while driving.
 8. The patrol unit _____ to headquarters for instructions.
 9. All officers were told to _____ for a stolen blue van.
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◇ Exercise 3: Choose the correct option

Circle the correct answer:

1. The officer was (on duty / in duty) when the alarm went off.
 2. Police must (secure the scene / issue the scene) before collecting evidence.
 3. The sergeant asked them to (call for backup / be on the lookout) for the suspect's vehicle.
 4. After the chase, the officer (was on the lookout / radioed in) to describe what happened.
 5. Drivers who break the speed limit can (respond to a call / be issued a ticket).
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Exercise 4: English ↔ Polish Translation

Translate the following phrases:

English	Polish
On duty / off duty	 —
Patrol the area	 —
Call for backup	 —
Respond to a call	 —
Secure the scene	 —
File a report	 —
Issue a ticket	 —
Radio in	 —
Be on the lookout (BOLO)	 —

Exercise 5 ♦ Translate sentences into English using words in the brackets in the correct form.

1. Oficer był **na służbie**, gdy doszło do rabunku. (robbery)

☞ _____

2. Kiedy policjant nie jest na służbie, może cieszyć się czasem spędzonym z rodziną.
(duty)

☞ _____

- 3. Policjanci muszą codziennie **patrolować teren** wokół szkoły. (patrol)

☞ _____

4. Sierżant kazał im **wezwać wsparcie**, gdy sytuacja stała się
niebezpieczna. (Sergeant)

☞ _____

5. Policjanci muszą **zabezpieczyć miejsce zdarzenia** przed przybyciem śledczych.
(Investigators)



6. Policjant **wystawił mandat** kierowcy, który jechał zbyt szybko. (speeding)



7. Funkcjonariusz **zgłosił przez radio**, że podejrzany uciekł w kierunku centrum. (flee)



8. Wszyscy oficerowie zostali poinstruowani, aby **wypatrywać** podejrzanego pojazdu.

(instruct)



9. Zespół został wysłany, aby **odpowiedzieć na wezwanie** dotyczące włamania.

(burglary)



Key (Suggested Answers)

Ex.1

1–d, 2–i, 3–e, 4–f, 5–h, 6–c, 7–g, 8–a, 9–b

Ex.2

1. on duty, 2. secure the scene, 3. file a report, 4. call for backup,
2. patrol the area, 6. respond, 7. issued a ticket, 8. radioed in, 9. be on the lookout
(BOLO)

Ex.3

1. on duty
2. secure the scene
3. be on the lookout
4. radioed in
5. be issued a ticket

Exercise 4

Na służbie / po służbie • Patrolować teren • Wezwać wsparcie • Odpowiedzieć na wezwanie •
Zabezpieczyć miejsce zdarzenia • Sporządzić raport • Wystawić mandat • Nadać przez radio •
Być czujnym na (np. poszukiwaną osobę)

Exercise 5

1. The officer was **on duty** when the robbery happened.

2. When Police officer is **off duty** they can enjoy the time spent with their family.
3. The police must **patrol the area** around the school every day.
4. The sergeant told them **to call for backup** when the situation became dangerous.
5. The officers must **secure the scene** before the investigators arrive.
6. The officer **issued a ticket** to the driver who was speeding.
7. The officer **radioed in** that the suspect had fled toward the city centre.
8. All officers were instructed **to be on the lookout (BOLO)** for the suspect's vehicle.
9. The team was sent **to respond to a call** about a burglary.