

Short Service Pension provision in the 1987 Pension scheme

If you have 25 years' pensionable service, you can retire with an ordinary pension paid immediately on retirement once you reach age 50. If you have 30 years' pensionable service, you may retire with an immediate pension before age 50.

Short service pensions are paid immediately if you retire with less than 25 years' service at what would have been the compulsory retirement age for your rank before the following new compulsory retirement ages were introduced on 1 October 2006.

From 1 October 2006, compulsory retirement ages are as follows:

- for a Constable, Sergeant, Inspector or Chief Inspector, 60 years
- for an officer with any higher rank, 65 years.

The compulsory retirement ages by rank before October 2006 were:

Constable and Sergeant – 55

Inspector to Chief Superintendent - 60

NPCC - 65