

SECURED BY DESIGN
**BECOME AN
ALARM RECEIVING
CENTRE MEMBER**
Technical Requirements

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Secured by Design (SBD) regional Development Officers will guide you through the complete process of becoming an SBD Alarm Receiving Centre (ARC) member. However, the below requirements must be met:

Trading Requirements

- SBD ARCs must have been compliant with their home police force for a minimum period of 2 years
- Certification by a United Kingdom Accreditation Services (UKAS) accredited certification body (currently NSI or SSAIB)
- Not to have been removed or resigned from a UKAS accreditation body within the last 2 years
- Full compliance with the NPCC Security Systems Requirement for Police Response Policy which can be found here [link to the new NPCC Security Systems Policy webpage]

Technical Requirements

The ARC must be certified to the following:

- i) Cyber Essentials
- ii) BS 8418 Remotely Monitored detector Activated CCTV Systems
- iii) BS7958 Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Management and Operation Code of Practice
- iv) BS5979 Alarm Receiving Centres Category II (withdrawn but still included for the benefit of legacy systems that remain in service)

OR

BS-EN50518:2013 Monitoring and Alarm Receiving Centres + BS8591 Alarm Receiving Centres Category II (not intruder and Hold Up Alarms)

OR

BS-EN50518:2019 Monitoring and Alarm Receiving Centre

For ARCs that solely monitor lone worker services; BS 8484 Provision of Lone Worker Device Services is required plus i) & iv) above.

Procedural Requirements

Monitoring of Non-Compliant (Type B) Security Systems

- SBD ARCs that monitor non-compliant security systems shall only provide a key-holder service for those type of systems when activated. They must not use the 999/101 telephone network to inform police of such activations (see section 3.6 of the NPCC Security Systems Policy for further guidelines)
- Systems on Test: When an engineer puts a system on Test, no alarm activation shall be sent to the police during the test period unless accompanied by an audio-visual confirmation or duress code

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