

Forensic Collision Investigator

Forensic collision investigators use science and engineering to investigate the causes of road traffic and vehicle related incidents.

Average salary (a year)



£20,000

£40,000

Starter

Experienced

Typical hours (a week)



38 to 40

variable

You could work



on call
on shifts

Different routes to get this job

(check the website for entry requirements)

- a university course
- working towards this role
- applying directly
- specialist courses run by professional bodies

Skills and knowledge

You'll need:

- knowledge of public safety and security
- to be thorough and pay attention to detail
- legal knowledge including court procedures and government regulations
- the ability to think clearly using logic and reasoning
- the ability to use your initiative
- excellent verbal communication skills
- analytical thinking skills
- excellent written communication skills
- to be able to use a computer and the main software packages confidently

Day-to-day tasks

In this role you could:

- attend the scene of fatal and life-threatening road traffic collisions
- examine vehicles and vehicle parts
- create plans of the scene and make time and distance studies
- work out vehicle speed through the amount of crush damage
- check tachograph information on vehicles
- get technical information from vehicle manufacturers
- produce reports
- give evidence to the investigation team or the Courts

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