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Scotland Yard is the headquarters of the Metropolitan Police in London with the exception of the ancient City of London, which has its own separate police force.



Scotland Yard is the largest police agency in England. 27 thousand people work in this agency. And its jurisdiction extends over 787 square kilometres.





Scotland
Yard



Scotland Yard is situated on the Thames Embankment close to the Houses of Parliament and the familiar clock tower of Big Ben.



LONDON

Origin of the name

The name "Scotland Yard" originates from the plot of land adjoining Whitehall Palace where, in about the 14th century, the royalty and nobility of Scotland stayed when visiting the English Court.

The popular nickname of the London policeman "bobby" is a tribute to Sir Robert Peel, who introduced the police force in 1829, and whose Christian name attached itself to members of the force.



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Scotland Yard

**Room
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**The
criminal
Investigatio
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Metropolita
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**The Map
Room**

**The
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**The
branch of
Police
Dogs**

**The
River
Police or
Thames
Division**

**The
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Room**

**The
Museum**



999 Room

One of the most successful developments in Scotland Yard's crime detection and emergency service has been the «999 system»



On receipt of a call the 999 Room operator connects by radio the available police car and the nearest police station. In a few minutes the police car is on its way to the crime scene.

This system helps police to respond instantly and to arrive at the crime scene faster.

The Criminal Investigation Department of the Metropolitan Police

This division numbers over 3.000 detectives.

Their job is to discover, by collecting evidence, how serious the crimes are and who committed them.

After the least two years a
Constable may join the CID and
to train as a detective at the
Detective Training School at Peel
Centre, Hendon.



Detective's training

They learn :

1. How to find a clue and collect information
2. How to question witnesses and solve crime
3. How to present complicated cases at court



The activities of the detective



1. Detectives work in ordinary clothes.
2. They find and talk to people who may have seen something important.
3. They go to the crime scene and look for clues and other evidence.
4. Detectives work from the local station or they might belong to one of the world famous Squads at Scotland Yard.

Map Room



One of the most interesting places in Scotland Yard is the Map Room. Here is the Central Crime Map, the Deaths by Violence Map, the Accidents Map and the Vehicles recovered Map.

The Mounted Branch



The Mounted Branch is an old-established section of the Metropolitan Police.

Its strength is about 200 horses stabled at strategic points. These horses are suited to ceremonial occasions, because they are accustomed to military bands.

The branch of Police Dogs



An interesting branch of Scotland Yard is the branch of Police Dogs, first used as an experiment in 1938. Now these dogs are an important part of the Force. One dog, for example, can search a warehouse in ten minutes, whereas the same search would take six men an hour.

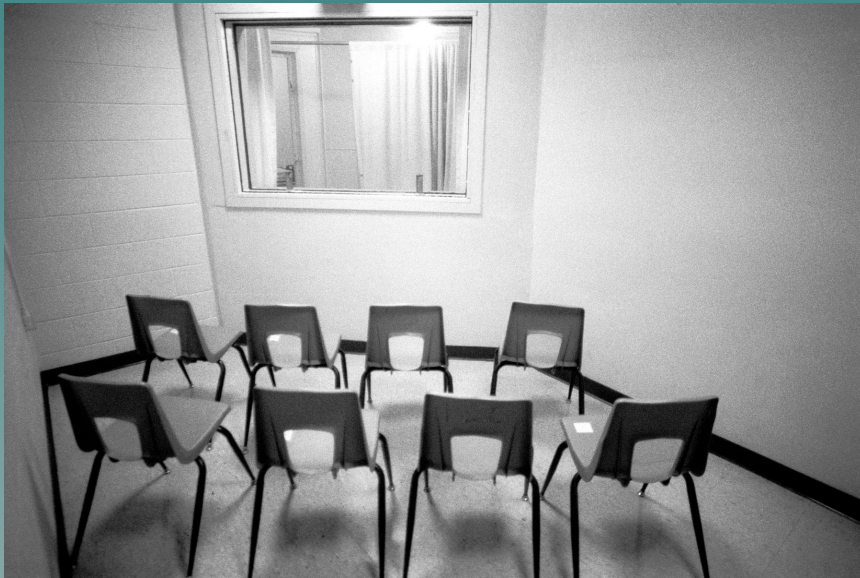
The River Police

This division has its own crime investigation officers who handle all crimes occurring within the river boundaries.



The Witness Room

Photographs of known or suspected criminals are kept in the Witness Room.




The Museum

This division contains murder relicts, forgery exhibits and coining moulds.



So, Scotland Yard is very important organization which coordinates the work of the Metropolitan Police of London in the process of investigation crimes and their prevention.

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