

Luton security boss prosecuted for supplying unlicensed security

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Security company director Mohammed Shaba and his company Peack Global Security Ltd pleaded guilty to offences under the Private Security Industry Act (PSIA).

On 17 March 2026 Mohammed Shaba pleaded guilty to offences under Section 5 (1) and Section 23 of the PSIA at Luton Magistrates' Court. The offences were the result of supplying an unlicensed door supervisor. The court fined him £507 and ordered him to pay a victim surcharge of £207 and prosecution costs of £500.

Mr Shaba must also pay £141 of prosecution costs after entering a guilty plea on behalf of his company Peack Global Security Ltd, also for the supply of an unlicensed door supervisor. The costs and fines imposed against Mr Shaba and Peack Global Security Ltd total £1,351.

Peack Global Security Ltd deployed the unlicensed door supervisor over a period of 6 months without checking his SIA licence status. The venue to which Shaba supplied the operative made 36 payments to Peack Global Security Ltd adding up to more than £2,000.

David Will, SIA Lead Financial Investigator, said:

Mr Shaba, through his company, profited from deploying an unlicensed security officer, which put members of the public at risk. An SIA licence ensures security operatives have relevant training and the right to work in the private security industry.

I am pleased to see this has been recognised in the fine and costs that he is required to pay as a result of this successful prosecution.

Background

By law, security operatives working under contract must hold and display a valid SIA licence. Information about SIA enforcement and penalties can be found on [GOV.UK/SIA](https://www.gov.uk/sia).

The offences relating to the Private Security Industry Act 2001 mentioned above are:

- section 5 (1) – supply of unlicensed operatives
- section 23 – criminal liability of directors

The SIA is the organisation responsible for regulating the private security industry in the UK, reporting to the Home Secretary under the terms of the Private Security Industry Act 2001. The SIA's main duties are the compulsory licensing of individuals undertaking designated activities and managing the voluntary Approved Contractor Scheme (ACS).

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