



THE SALVATION ARMY: UNITED KINGDOM TERRITORY
POSITIONAL STATEMENT

CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTION

The Salvation Army respects the right of individuals to arrive at their own decision on the question of military service, based on personal conviction. The Army offers a full spiritual ministry to those arriving at either decision, with all possible help and guidance.

Basing its advice on scriptural teaching concerning respect for properly constituted civil authority, the Army counsels those who object to military service to accept whatever legitimate means may be provided for alternative service.

In no circumstances does the Army regard a conscientious objector with any sense of stigma, believing that any such censure would be a negation of the love of the Lord Jesus Christ, whose power alone can enable men to learn to live together in peace.

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