

Ranks of the Saint Paul Police Department

Introduced	Terminated	Rank Title of sworn officers
1854	Present	Chief
1872	Present	Sergeant
1854	1974	Patrolman
1856	1999	Captain
1864	1964	Detective — Last detectives retired in 1988
1884	1999	Lieutenant — This rank still exists but is inactive with Civil Service. It has not been used since 2000.
1912	1914	Roundsman — A rank between a patrolman and a sergeant
1913/1920	1974	Police Woman — After women received the right to vote in 1920 they could be sworn officers.
1914	Present	Officers hired under Civil Service with an exam used for placement of hiring rank
????	1961	Inspector
1908 2000	1964 Present	Assistant Chief
1963	2000	Deputy Chief
1974		Police Officer
1984		The Deputy Chief rank was unclassified by city council amendment, so the chief could appoint. Previously these were civil service appointments based on test scores.
2000	Present	Commander — All lieutenants became commanders
2000	Present	Senior Commander — All captains became senior commanders. Unclassified, the chief is authorized to appoint senior commanders.