

LETTER SENT BY E-MAIL ONLY

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Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

Request

Please find below our response to your correspondence dated 18 December 2024, in which you made the following request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Number of Incidents

• How many incidents were recorded in the last 5 years (broken down by year) where police vehicles hit pedestrians?

Severity of Injuries

- For each year, how many incidents resulted in:
 - Fatalities
 - Serious injuries (e.g., fractures, hospitalizations)
 - Minor injuries

Location and Circumstances

- How many of these incidents occurred:
 - During emergency responses (blue light calls)?
 - During routine patrols or non-emergency situations?
- If available, a breakdown of incidents by borough or postcode area.

Speed and Traffic Violations

- How many of the recorded incidents involved the police vehicle exceeding the speed limit?
- Were any police officers found to have violated traffic regulations in relation to these incidents?

Outcomes and Accountability

- How many officers involved in these incidents were:
 - Subject to internal investigation or disciplinary action?
 - Found to have breached conduct standards?
- How many of these incidents resulted in a complaint or legal claim being made against the SP?

• Of these, how many were settled, and what was the total compensation paid out?

Vehicles and Training

- Were the vehicles involved marked or unmarked police cars?
- How many incidents involved specialist units (e.g., pursuit vehicles)?
- What training do SP officers receive to minimize risks to pedestrians when driving police vehicles?

Response

The Scottish Police Authority has considered your request and can confirm that the Authority does not hold the information requested.¹

The Authority provides governance and oversight of policing in Scotland and does not hold information on operational policing matters.

Information may be available by contacting Police Scotland at <u>foi@scotland.police.uk</u>

You may also wish to refer to Police Scotland's Disclosure Log.

Right to Review

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your request you can ask for a review within 40 working days. You must specify the reason for your dissatisfaction and submit your request by email to <u>foi@spa.police.uk</u> or by letter to Scottish Police Authority, 1 Pacific Quay, Glasgow, G51 1DZ.

If you remain dissatisfied after review, you can appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months. You can apply <u>online</u>, by email to <u>enquiries@foi.scot</u> or by letter to Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Commissioner's decision, you can appeal to the Court of Session, only if you think the law has not been applied correctly.

This response will be posted to our <u>Disclosure Log</u> after seven days.

Yours faithfully

SPA Corporate Management

¹ This represents a notice in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 - Information not held.