| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-1547  Responded to: 02 June 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

1. **What are Police Scotland's current policies or operational guidelines regarding the use of body-worn video (BWV) during the execution of search warrants?**
2. **Was BWV issued or available to officers within the Edinburgh police force, specifically in regard to officers executing search warrants of private residences, based out of St Leonards police station on 7/05/2025?**
3. **Was there any internal guidance, pilot scheme, or policy in place at that time that would have expected or required officers to wear BWV during warrant execution or when detaining individuals under caution?**
4. **Are officers required to record or log reasons for non-use of BWV during such operations if BWV is available?**

The information sought in questions 1, 2 and 3 is held by Police Scotland, but I am refusing to provide it in terms of section 16(1) of the Act on the basis that the section 25(1) exemption applies:

“Information which the applicant can reasonably obtain other than by requesting it […] is exempt information”.

The information sought is publicly available: [Body Worn Video SOP](https://www.scotland.police.uk/spa-media/oqtjeuqf/body-worn-video-sop-police-scotland-publication-scheme.docx) and  [Body Worn Video - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/body-worn-video/)​.

With regard to question 2, I can advise that the phased roll out of Body Worn Video cameras across Scotland started in March 2025 with Tayside division. The roll out is not scheduled to reach Edinburgh until later in the project.

If you require any further assistance, please contact us quoting the reference above.

You can request a review of this response within the next 40 working days by [email](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk) or by letter (Information Management - FOI, Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH). Requests must include the reason for your dissatisfaction.

If you remain dissatisfied following our review response, you can appeal to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner (OSIC) within 6 months - [online](https://www.foi.scot/appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@foi.scot) or by letter (OSIC, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, KY16 9DS).

Following an OSIC appeal, you can appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

This response will be added to our [Disclosure Log](http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log) in seven days' time.

Every effort has been taken to ensure our response is as accessible as possible. If you require this response to be provided in an alternative format, please let us know.