

Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-2199  
Date: 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

I refer to your recent request for information which has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

For ease of reference, your request is replicated below together with the response.

**In July, your section declined a Freedom of Information (FOI) request I made due to budgetary constraints.**

**Since then, thanks to the remarkable efficiency of the British Transport Police, I now able to provide more specific data.**

**Would you please provide me with the total number of individuals charged with possessing firearms without licences on trains in Scotland for the following dates?**

**11/10/2016  
16/11/2016  
16/12/2016  
02/01/2017  
04/02/2017  
27/03/2017**

With regards to this request, it is my decision to reject this request under S14 (2) repeated or vexatious request, "Where a Scottish public authority has complied with a request from a person for information, it is not obliged to comply with a subsequent request from that person which is identical or substantially similar unless there has been a reasonable period of time between the making of the request complied with and the making of the subsequent request."

In this instance, this request was previously answered on the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022, reference IM-FOI-2022-1978.

This response can be viewed on the Disclosure Log on the Police Scotland website:-

[22-1978 - Crime stats - possession of firearm with no licence - trains - various specific dates - Police Scotland](#)

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management Dundee, quoting the reference number given.

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which Police Scotland has dealt with your request, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of our actions and decisions.

## OFFICIAL

Your request must specify the matter which gives rise to your dissatisfaction and it must be submitted within 40 working days of receiving this response - either by email to [foi@scotland.police.uk](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk) or by post to Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision. You can apply [online](#), by email to [enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

As part of our commitment to demonstrate openness and transparency in respect of the information we hold, an anonymised version of this response will be posted to the Police Scotland Freedom of Information [Disclosure Log](#) in seven days' time.