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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## How many police officers are unable to be deployed in police Scotland due to their officer safety training having expired?

As of 21 August 2025, there are 582 officers whose Officer Safety Training has expired.

This represents 4.2%.

Officer safety training is mandatory for officers up to the rank of Inspector.

For Chief Inspector and above, it is only mandatory should they perform a duty as part of their role that requires them to be public facing or to carry PPE.

As such the above figure excludes data for Chief Inspector and above

Additionally, please note that this count excludes officers who are on a career break, long term absent, not deployable or deployable for admin function only.

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 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](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal), by email 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.