

Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-1329
Date: 7th July 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.

- 1. The number of emergency calls received where there had been an accident involving a cyclist and another road user in each month in 2021 and 2022 (Jan-May)**
- 2. The number of those emergency calls that the Police attended.**
- 3. The number of emergency calls received where there had been an accident involving two or more motorised vehicles in each month in 2021 and 2022 (Jan-May)**
- 4. The number of those emergency calls that the Police attended.**

Having considered your request in terms of the above Act, I must first of all advise you that data regarding telephone calls to Police Scotland and Road Traffic Collisions are recorded on two separate systems.

The incident recording system is not searchable by nature of vehicle involved and so we can only provide data on incidents reported via 999 which are coded as 'Road Traffic Collision'.

Case by case assessment of all these reports, which is tens of thousands, would then be required to establish the nature of vehicle involved which is an exercise which I estimate would far exceed the £600 cost limit set out in the Fees Regulations.

As such, and in terms of Section 16(4) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 where Section 12(1) of the Act (Excessive Cost of Compliance) has been applied, this represents a refusal notice for the information sought.

In relation to the Road Traffic Collision recording system, we can provide data on RTCs involving pedal cycles and RTCs between motor vehicles *but not* how the RTC was reported, i.e. by 999. As such, case by case assessment would again have to be carried out which would exceed the cost limit set out in the Fees Regulations.

I would suggest that you submit a new request seeking RTC data and that you do not include the 'how reported' element. Please also be advised that your full name should be provided in any subsequent request.

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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. 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 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 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.

