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

## I’d be grateful if you’d provide me with links to all policies and procedures when police are dealing with a physically disabled accused, from the initial complaint through arrest to custody then release.

The information sought is not held by Police Scotland and section 17 of the Act therefore applies.

By way of explanation there is no overarching standard operating procedure or guidance document relating to accused individuals with a disability specifically but it is covered more generally in a number of standard operating procedure including:

* [Care and Welfare of Persons in Police Custody SOP](https://www.scotland.police.uk/spa-media/0zknbrnz/care-and-welfare-of-persons-in-police-custody-sop-v19-00-police-scotland-publication-scheme-sop.docx)
* [Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (Arrest Process) SOP](https://www.scotland.police.uk/spa-media/dvlnu5og/criminal-justice-scotland-act-2016-arrest-process-sop.pdf)

Additionally, Equality impact assessments for all of our SOPs and Guidance documents are also available online at:

* [Standard Operating Procedures - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/policies-and-procedures/standard-operating-procedures/)

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](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) 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.