

Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-1800
Date: 7th September 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.

Please advise how many warrants for forced entry to a domicile with the named person having a vulnerable Marker have been executed in the past 5 years? Please break this down month on month, year on year?

Please advise how many risk assessments were conducted on each forced entry by warrant to the domicile of a vulnerable person in the past five years? Please break this down month on month, year on year?

Whilst forced entry can be required in some circumstances for the execution of a warrant, warrants for forced entry specifically do not exist.

As such, in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, this represents a notice that the information you seek is not held by Police Scotland.

Please see Police Scotland's Forced Entry to Premises Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) which you may find of interest:

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/spa-media/lajoe5z2/forced-entry-to-premises-sop.pdf>

Please also note that any assessment of warrants executed in terms of whether forced entry was required is likely to involve significant research and invoke the cost exemption at Section 12 of the Act.

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.

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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.