

Our Ref: IM-FOI-2022-2495  
Date: 16<sup>th</sup> December 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 potential recruits to Police Scotland who have passed fitness tests in 2021/22.**

1,218 potential recruits for Police Scotland passed their fitness test in the 2021/22 period.

**2. The number of potential recruits to Police Scotland who have failed to meet the standard required for fitness tests in 2021/22.**

358 potential recruits for Police Scotland did not meet the standard required for the fitness test.

**3. The number of serving police officers who have failed to meet the standard required for fitness tests in 2021/22.**

**4. Details of any action which has been taken against serving police officers who have failed fitness tests in 2021/22.**

Probationer Officers undergo 6 fitness tests throughout their two year probation period.

I can confirm that 44 Probationary Officers failed the fitness test in the 2021/22 period, however Police Officers are not fitness tested after they have completed their two year probation period and 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

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](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk) or by post to Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH.

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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.

