

Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment (EqHRIA) Summary of Results

Policy / Practice	Seizure of Vehicles Standard Operating Procedure
Owning Department	Road Policing
Date EqHRIA Completed	23/03/2018
Purpose of Policy / Practice	This SOP aims to provide police officers and relevant staff within Police Scotland with the procedures to be adopted for the removal of motor vehicles from a road or other place in the open air, excluding vehicles driven in contravention of Antisocial Behaviour legislation.

A. Summary of Analysis / Decisions - What the assessment found and actions already taken.

Equality Impact Assessment

Analysis of the standard operating procedure revealed there to be the likelihood of a low impact within Disability, Race and Religion or Belief protected groups. By directing officers to the appropriate standard operating procedure relevant to that individual will remove any disadvantage and in addition advance equality, thereby ensuring minimal potential for any negative impact.

Human Rights Impact Assessment

Analysis of the standard operating procedure revealed that Article 2 (Right to Life) and Article 6 (Right to a Fair Trial) were protected. Article 5 (Right to Liberty and Security) and Article 8 (Right to Respect for Private and Family Life) were infringed. Existing statutory obligations and legislation justified the infringement to facilitate the desired outcome.

The actions detailed will ensure that potential impacts/infringements and protection that cannot be avoided have been justified on legal/objective grounds.

B. Summary of Mitigation Actions - What else we plan to do and how we are going to check that it has been done.

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Owning Department will monitor changes in legislation/circumstances which may affect the SOP and assess how these changes may impact on the protected groups.

In addition they will be responsible for the cyclical review of both SOP and EqHRIA.

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