| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-0549  Responded to: 3 March 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**I am writing to request information under the Environmental Information (Scotland) Act 2004.  
I would like to know the following in respect of the Environmental Protection (restrictions on use of Lead Shot) Scotland (No.2) Regulations 2004 which came into force on 31st March 2005 the following:  
1. The number of warnings issued, in which regional division and dates thereof, to individuals and/or groups**

In terms of section 17 of the Act, the information sought is not held by Police Scotland.

As you will see from the related Lord Advocate’s guidance on Recorded Police Warnings - [Lord Advocate's guidelines on the use of the police direct measures for adult offenders | COPFS](https://www.copfs.gov.uk/publications/lord-advocate-s-guidelines-on-the-use-of-the-police-direct-measures-for-adult-offenders/html/#eligible-offences) - this is not an offence for which an RPW can be issued.

**2. The number of prosecutions undertaken, in which regional division and the dates thereof, and  
3. The number of convictions secured, in which regional division and the dates thereof.**Police Scotland does not hold criminal conviction/ prosecution data and section 17 of the Act therefore applies. You may wish to contact the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (COPFS) and/ or the Scottish Courts Service - [Contact | COPFS](https://www.copfs.gov.uk/contact/)

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](https://www.foi.scot/appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@foi.scot) 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.