| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 25-2253  Responded to: 23 September 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**How many reports have been made of sexual impropriety involving relationships between officers (including probationers) between August 2020 and July 2025**

**If you could please list the cases by date and include the rank of the officers involved, where the alleged relationships took place and the outcome of the investigations**

Unfortunately, I estimate that it would cost well in excess of the current FOI cost threshold of £600 to process your request. I am therefore refusing to provide the information sought in terms of section 12(1) of the Act - Excessive Cost of Compliance.

To explain, any such instance may be reported and dealt with either by Complaint, Conduct/ Misconduct case or Grievance depending on the circumstances of each report. "Sexual impropriety involving relationships between officers” is not a recognised allegation category on our recording databases and any such instance could be recorded under various category types. All records under potentially relevant categories would need to be individually reviewed to identify those meeting the specifics of your request – an exercise which would far exceed the cost limit set out in the Act.

To be of assistance, the following Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) may be of interest:

[Complaints About the Poilice SOP - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/policies-and-procedures/standard-operating-procedures/standard-operating-procedures-c/)

[Conduct Regulations SOP - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/spa-media/q1jjirdw/police-service-of-scotland-conduct-regulations-sop.pdf)

[Grievance and Resolving Workplace Issues SOP - Police Scotland](https://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/policies-and-procedures/standard-operating-procedures/standard-operating-procedures-g-i/)

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.