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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.

How many accidents involving electric / e-scooters have taken place in your area between 01 January 2019 and 01 December 2021.

Do you have further details of the number of accidents involving e-scooter collisions with motor vehicles e.g. cars, buses and vans.

Please can you provide the figures on a month-by-month basis for this time period.

In response to your request, I can advise you that there is no classification for e-scooters when recording road traffic collisions. Therefore 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.

I can advise you that for the above named time period there were 22 road traffic collisions which involved a mobility scooter, but they are deemed not to be the type of scooter relevant to your request.

To further clarify, if all data was to be considered in order to establish the type of vehicle involved in each recorded incident, this would require a case by case assessment of all road traffic collisions which would far exceed the cost limit set out in the Fees Regulations.

You may be interested in the official statistical data published by the Scottish Government: [Key Reported Road Casualties Scotland 2020 \(transport.gov.scot\)](https://www.transport.gov.scot/publications/key-reported-road-casualties-scotland-2020/)

[Key Reported Road Casualties Scotland 2019 \(transport.gov.scot\)](https://www.transport.gov.scot/publications/key-reported-road-casualties-scotland-2019/)

You may also be interested to know that in Scotland, the [Electric Scooter Trail and Traffic Signs \(Coronavirus\) Regulations and General Directions 2020](https://www.transport.gov.scot/publications/electric-scooter-trail-and-traffic-signs-coronavirus-regulations-and-general-directions-2020/) came into force on 4 July 2020, legislating for the use of rental e-scooters on the road as part of a 12 month trial.

The Department for Transport has a useful guidance [document](#) which may be of interest.

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management - Dundee on foidundee@scotland.pnn.police.uk quoting the reference number given.

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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.pnn.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. 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.

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