| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-1265  Responded to: 17 May 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**Please can I request the following information:**

1. **As of 8 May 2024, how many sets of sound suppressors does Police Scotland have?**

The initial procurement was for 10,000 sets of ear defenders in varying quantity by sizes, Small, Medium & Large. A further 900 in size Medium were ordered to account for a larger demand for this size than industry predictions suggested would be needed.

1. **As of 8 May 2024, how many sets of sound suppressors have been given out to officers?**

The issue of equipment is ongoing. As of 8th May 2024 over 6000 sets had been issued to officers.

1. **Does Police Scotland expect that all officers policing Bonfire Night this year will be provided with this equipment?**

Yes, through coordination with Operational Planning teams, those officers Policing major events are prioritised for issue.

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](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) or by letter (OSIC, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, KY16 9DS).

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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.