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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2009-03274

**Keyword:** Road Policing

**Subject:** 'SPECS' SPEED CAMERAS - BANGOR TO HOLYWOOD ROAD

### Request and Answer:

#### Question 1

How many drivers have been recorded exceeding the speed limits since these cameras were installed?

#### Answer

16 drivers have been recorded.

#### Question 2

How many drivers have been prosecuted since these cameras were installed?

#### Answer

No drivers have been prosecuted.

#### Question 3

How many drivers have been prosecuted in 2008 and 2009?

#### Answer

No drivers have been prosecuted in 2008 and 2009. Please note that this response relates to the Bangor to Holywood Road and specifically, those detections made by Specs Cameras.

Further information regarding Safety Cameras can be accessed by using the following link:

[http://www.psni.police.uk/index/advice-and-legislation/safety\\_cameras.htm](http://www.psni.police.uk/index/advice-and-legislation/safety_cameras.htm)

The success of SPECS cameras should be measured by the reduction of traffic speed and casualties injured in road traffic collisions rather than detections and prosecutions. The cameras are encouraging drivers to change their attitude towards speeding and have helped reduce the number of casualties as a result of road traffic collisions.

It should be noted that the SPECS system and the other cameras operated as part of the Northern Ireland Safety Camera Scheme, compliment the work of local police patrols and our specialist Road Policing Units.

Mobile patrols are carried out by roads policing officers on a daily basis and are operated on roads which have been identified as having a history of collisions resulting in death or serious injury, and where there is clear evidence of a speeding problem.

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