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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2010-02691

**Keyword:** Human Resources

**Subject:** Costs of Training Courses

### Request and Answer:

This is to inform you that the Police Service of Northern Ireland has now completed its search for the information you requested. The decision has been taken to disclose the located information to you in full.

### Question 1

Could you provide details of the training costs for a constable in the following courses

- Initial Training
- Probation training
- Standard driving course
- Search training
- Baton gun/AEP initial + annual refresher
- Annual PSP
- H&K mp5 initial + annual refresher
- H&K 33 initial + refresher
- Human rights
- Stinger initial
- Case prep/niche file prep systems

### Question 2

Could you provide details of the training costs for a Sergeant in the following courses

- Sergeants course
- Custody sergeants course
- Intoxiliser course
- Advanced driving
- Initial pursuit
- Armed response vehicle course
- Level 2 Public order supervisor training + annual refresher
- Annual PSP
- Annual Firearms
- Niche supervisor

## Answer

In an email on October 3, 2010 you informed us that you were content to receive costs for the Student Officer Training Programme and Post Foundation Training Programme including student/trainer salaries, feeding, uniform and ammunition.

Please see the costs below for the Student Officer Training Programme and Post Foundation Training Programme. **Ready Reckoner costs have been used to calculate your response.**

The Student Officer Training Programme costs £133,456.05 for trainer costs including classroom lessons, practical exercises, drill, Personal Safety Programme training and physical education costs.

The Probation Training Foundation Programme costs £21,837.65 for trainer costs including classroom lessons, practical exercises, physical education training and Personal Safety Programme.

Please note; Trainer costs are based on a squad of 55 student officers. Administration is excluded.

One student officer salary for the 21 week Student Officer Training Programme costs £13,653.23.

One student officer salary for the 4 week Probation training Foundation Programme costs £2,600.61.

In addition to the above costs are the following;

### Student Officer Training Programme (based on a squad of 55 - 30 male, 25 female)

Feeding per squad - £73, 920.00

Uniform Costs per squad - £53, 194.10

### Probationer Training Costs

Ammunition for one student - £110.50

If you have any queries regarding your request or the decision please do not hesitate to contact me on 028 9070 0164. When contacting the Freedom of Information Team, please quote the reference number listed at the beginning of this letter.

If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible, or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter. In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to the Head of Freedom of Information, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by emailing [foi@psni.pnn.police.uk](mailto:foi@psni.pnn.police.uk).

If following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision maker, you were to remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request you may make a complaint, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the PSNI has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act. You can write to the Information Commissioner at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out, however the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion.

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Personal details in respect of your request have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.