

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2011-03257

Keyword: Road Policing

Subject: Police vehicles caught speeding in 2010 and 2011

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.

Please can I have the figures for the whole of 2010 and also have the figures for 2011 to date.

Question

How many police vehicles from your force have been caught speeding by traffic cameras?

Answer

In 2010 there were a total of 129 police vehicles detected by Speed Cameras breaching speed limits.

In 2011 to date (October 12, 2011), there were a total of 128 police vehicles detected by Speed Cameras breaching speed limits.

Question

Of these, how many were granted exemption from prosecution under Section 87 of the Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984?

Answer

In 2010, a total of 126 of those police vehicles detected were exempt under Article 42 of The Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997.

In 2011, a total of 118 of those police vehicles detected speeding were considered to be exempt under Article 42 of The Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997.

It should be noted that in <u>All</u> cases where police vehicles are detected speeding; officers are subject to scrutiny in order to ascertain whether they qualify for exemption under Article 42.

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.

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