



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2011-02575

Keyword: Road Policing

Subject: Speed Awareness 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

I listened to a recent broadcast on Radio Ulster concerning Driver Awareness with interest and would be grateful if you could assist me by providing the following information.

Number of people who have been offered the speed awareness course.

Answer

Please see the figures for SAS and YDS under the heading 'Referrals' contained in the table at the end of this correspondence.

Question 2

Number of people who agreed to attend the course.

Answer

Please see the figures for SAS and YDS under the heading 'Bookings' contained in the table at the end of this correspondence.

Question 3

The percentage of people who agree to attend.

It would be useful if you could provide the above information set out on a monthly basis since the courses started.

Answer

Please see the figures for SAS and YDS under the heading 'Completions' contained in the table at the end of this correspondence.

PSNI do not record percentages in relation to this information and have supplied the recorded

information as per FOI Act.

The following explanation refers to the abbreviations contained in the table.

SAS – Speed Awareness Scheme – Drivers 25 years old and above

YDS – Young Driver Scheme – Drivers under 25 years old

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.

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.

Please be advised that PSNI replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ www.psni.police.uk

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

Referrals				Bookings				Completions		
	PSNI	PSNI			PSNI	PSNI			PSNI	PSNI
	SAS	YDS			SAS	YDS			SAS	YDS
2010 06	346	33		2010 06	103	0		2010 06	0	0
2010 07	1728	141		2010 07	1026	95		2010 07	129	0
2010 08	4112	272		2010 08	2577	177		2010 08	906	157
2010 09	5350	383		2010 09	4190	246		2010 09	2721	180
2010 10	3823	276		2010 10	3053	232		2010 10	3732	194
2010 11	4488	271		2010 11	3635	249		2010 11	3770	256
2010 12	2531	173		2010 12	3517	212		2010 12	2571	156
2011 01	2576	190		2011 01	2105	142		2011 01	3185	174
2011 02	2828	187		2011 02	2304	177		2011 02	1584	135
2011 03	2888	257		2011 03	2350	178		2011 03	2307	194
2011 04	2464	155		2011 04	2481	182		2011 04	2102	168
2011 05	3101	216		2011 05	2636	168		2011 05	2336	128
2011 06	3252	189		2011 06	2591	159		2011 06	2317	116
2011 07	2793	194		2011 07	2399	180		2011 07	2698	153
Total	42280	2937			34967	2397			30358	2011