



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2016-00939

**Keyword:** Road Policing

**Subject:** Fines Issued to Pedal Cyclists

### Request and Answer:

#### Question 1

In the last five financial years (2011/2012, 2012/2013, 2013/2014, 2014/15 and 2015/16) how many fines were handed down to cyclists for breaking the law?

#### Question 2

What were the fines for? For example; riding on a footpath, riding at night without lights, failing to stop at junctions.

#### Answer

Your request for information has now been considered. In respect of Section 1(1)(a) of the Act I can confirm that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does hold information to which your request relates and the decision has been taken to disclose the following.

In relation to Question 1 and Question 2, please see the table below detailing the number of fixed penalty notices and discretionary disposals issued to Pedal Cyclists – 2011/2012 – 2015/2016:

Offence	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
CYCLING WHEN UNFIT THROUGH DRINK OR DRUGS	0	0	3	2	6
CYCLING WITHOUT DUE CARE AND ATTENTION	13	12	5	13	9
CYCLING WITHOUT REASONABLE CONSIDERATION	3	0	1	1	0
DANGEROUS CYCLING	13	13	8	9	14
NO LIGHTS ON PEDAL CYCLE	12	9	23	7	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>39</b>

Source: PSNI Statistics Branch, Lisnasharragh

**Please note:** 2015/2016 figures are provisional and subject to change.

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).

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