



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2017-02416

Keyword: Complaints/Discipline

Subject: Officer Driving

Request and Answer:

Question 1

Please find below a refined request for information relating to officer driving standards:

Could you please provide me with the following:

The number of officers who have received criminal convictions for driving offences whilst on duty in each year, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16 and 2016/17?

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. The decision has been taken to disclose the following.

Please find a table below containing the information on the number of PSNI officers who have received criminal convictions for driving offences whilst on duty in each year.

Year	Convictions for Driving Offences whilst on Duty
2012	2
2013	2
2014	3
2015	0
2016	1
2017	1 (Outcome Pending)

Question 2

The total number of officers who have appeared before a misconduct panel and the number of officers who have received a Superintendents Written Warning for driving offences whilst on duty in each year 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17? Could you please also provide me with a breakdown of any sanctions received?

Answer

Please find a table below containing the outcome of each incident, including whether a Misconduct

Panel took place and if a Superintendents Written Warning (SWW) was received.

Year	Outcome
2012	1 x adult caution and (SWW), 1 x fine £500 and (SWW) - no misconduct panels
2013	2 x adult cautions (2 x SWW's) - No misconduct panels
2014	1 x adult caution (SWW) no misconduct panel, 1 x £250 fine 5 penalty points (management discussion) – no misconduct panel, 1 x adult caution (Advice and guidance) – no misconduct panel
2015	N/A
2016	1 x adult caution (SWW) no misconduct panel
2017	1 disqualified driving 1 year - (Outcome Pending)

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.

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