



# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2018-01757

**Keyword:** Human Resources

**Subject:** Dismissal Of POPT and Regular Officers

**Request and 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 some information to which your request relates. The decision has been taken to disclose the following.

**Request 1**

Please provide information on how many POPT Officers have been dismissed from the PSNI or have resigned as an alternative to dismissal from the PSNI for not completing 144 hours duty in the years 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18.

**Answer**

Human Resources have advised that they would not hold details in relation to those who have been dismissed or resigned as an alternative to dismissal for not completing 144 hours duty in the year.

I have provided below a table which may be of interest to you regarding POPT and Regular officers who have been dismissed or have resigned as an alternative to dismissal, for the period of time requested. As stated above we do not hold details of those who have been dismissed or resigned for not completing 144 hours.

Leaver Reasons				
Year	Leaving Reason	POPT	Regular	Total
2018	Dismissed	0	8	8
	Resig Alt. To Dismissal	0	0	0
2017	Dismissed	0	8	8
	Resig Alt. To Dismissal	0	0	0
2016	Dismissed	3	5	8
	Resig Alt. To Dismissal	0	3	3
2015	Dismissed	26	8	34
	Resig Alt. To Dismissal	0	0	0
2014	Dismissed	1	3	4
	Resig Alt. To Dismissal	1	0	1

## **Request 2**

Can you also advise how many Regular Officers have been dismissed (excluding for disciplinary issues) from the PSNI in the years 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18.

## **Answer**

Human Resources have advised that if an officer had been dismissed this would have been for disciplinary issues.

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.

Please be advised that PSNI replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ [www.psni.police.uk](http://www.psni.police.uk)

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