



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2018-00252

**Keyword:** Human Resources

**Subject:** Physical Fitness Test

### Request and Answer:

Your request for information has now been considered. In respect of Section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) I can confirm that the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) does hold information to which your request relates.

#### Request 1

Since the push and pull element of the physical fitness test was stopped how many trainees undertook the physical exam for the first time?

#### Answer

705.

#### Request 2

Could you please specify how many of those trainees were male and how many were female?

#### Answer

484 male and 221 female.

#### Request 3

How many of those passed first time and how many of those who passed were female?

#### Answer

702 passed first time and 219 of those were female.

#### Request 4

What support, if any, was provided to the females who failed the fitness test? How many passed on the second try?

#### Answer

Additional fitness training support and advice relating to the Physical Competence Assessment was provided by a PSNI Physical Training Instructor. 2 females passed on their second try.

**Request 5**

Could you please clarify when the push and pull test was stopped?

**Answer**

24th June 2015.

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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