

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2020-01638

Keyword: Operational Policing

Subject: Police Car Cleaning & Maintenance

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 information to which your request relates. The decision has been taken to disclose the following.

Request 1

What is the specific method/product used to clean the windscreens on police cars?

Answer

Glass cleaner is issued for the cleaning of windscreens.

Request 2

How often are police cars cleaned (including windscreens)?

Answer

Police cars are cleaned at service and also as per requirement, there is no specific schedule. Windscreens fall into this category and would be cleaned by drivers if visibility was impaired.

Request 3

How frequently are police cars given a mechanical inspection/service?

Answer

Table below provides details of police cars Inspection/Service Intervals (April 2020)

Manufacturer	Vehicle type	Service Inspection	Mileage Service
BMW	ALL S/SKIN	N/A	10K or Annually
VAG	ALL S/SKIN	N/A	15k or Annually
VAG	ALL ARMOURED	5K or 13 Weeks	15K or Annually
VOLVO	ALL S/SKIN	N/A	15K or Annually
FIAT	ALL S/SKIN	N/A	12K or Annually
FORD	ALL S/SKIN	N/A	12.5K or Annually
FORD	TRANSIT	N/A	15K or Annually
FORD	TRANSIT POST 2012	N/A	18K or 2 years
IVECO	ARMOURED VAN	5K or 13 Weeks	15K or Annually

LANDROVER	FREELANDER	N/A	15k or Annually
LANDROVER	DISCOVERY	N/A	12K or Annually
LANDROVER	DISCOVERY/ARM	6K or 13 Weeks	12K or Annually
LANDROVER	RANGEROVER	N/A	12K or Annually
LANDROVER	RANGEROVER/ARM	6K or 13 Weeks	12K or Annually
LANDROVER	ARMOURED PRE 2010	3K or 6 Weeks	10K or 48 Weeks
LANDROVER	ARMOURED POST 2010	5K or 13 Weeks	12K or Annually
VAUXHALL	ALL S/SKIN PRE 2010	N/A	10K or Annually
VAUXHALL	ALL S/SKIN POST 2010	N/A	15K or Annually
VAUXHALL	ARMOURED POST 2011	5K or 13 Weeks	15K or Annually
MITSUBISHI	ALL S/SKIN	N/A	10K or Annually
MITSUBISHI	ALL ARMOURED	5K or 13 Weeks	10K or Annually
OTHER JAPANESE	ALL S/SKIN	N/A	10K or Annually
OTHER EUROPEAN	ALL S/SKIN	N/A	12K or Annually
BMW	MOTORCYCLES	16 Weeks	6K or 48 Weeks
HONDA	MOTORCYCLES/QUADS	16 Weeks	4K or 48 Weeks
YAMAHA	MOTORCYCLES	16 Weeks	6K or 48 Weeks
YAMAHA	QUAD	26 Weeks	Annually
ARGO CAT	ALL TERRAIN	4 Weeks	Annually
LGV's + TRAILERS	ALL	13 Weeks	25K or Annually
CASE	SHOVELS	26 Weeks	Annually
SOMATI	WATER CANNON	26 Weeks	18K or Annually
BOATS + TRAILERS	ALL	26 Weeks	Annually
TRAILERS	ALL	N/A	Annually

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 Corporate Information Branch, 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 Corporate Information Branch, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by emailing foi@psni.pnn.police.uk.

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