



# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2023-00008

**Keyword:** Crime/Incident Statistics Road Traffic

**Subject:** Jaywalking

**Request and Answer:**

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

**Request 1**

Does PSNI enforce rules against "Jaywalking", either by fixed penalty notice or other means? For reference, PSNI website currently hosts a document citing "jaywalking" as a fixed penalty offence under offence code 5008001.

**Answer 1**

Yes, PSNI does enforce rules against Jaywalking.

**Request 2**

Please provide any recent annual statistics regarding the number of policing interventions for jaywalking.

**Answer 2**

Please see Jaywalking Offences detected by the PSNI, 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 – 31 October 2022 in the table below.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 (Up to 31 <sup>st</sup> October)
Jaywalking Offences	56	52	42	48	34

*Includes such offences which resulted in a fixed penalty notice or referral for prosecution.*

**Please Note;** The information included in the table is based on data extracted from a live system and may be subject to change.

**Request 3**

Please also advise the legal basis for any such policing intervention, and any which makes jaywalking a specific offence.

### **Answer 3**

Article 38 Road Traffic (NI) Order 1995 – Jaywalking.

#### **Pedestrian endangering own safety or that of others**

38. If a pedestrian through his own negligence on a road endangers his own safety, or that of any other person, he is guilty of an offence.

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 Corporate Information Manager, Corporate Information Branch, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by emailing [foi@psni.police.uk](mailto:foi@psni.police.uk).

If, following an Internal Review carried out by an independent decision maker, you remain unhappy about how your request has been handled you have the right to apply in writing to the Information Commissioner, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, at 'Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. There are a number of other platforms you can use to contact the ICO and these can be found on the ICO's website at the following link: [Make a complaint | ICO \(https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/\)](https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/).

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 their discretion.

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

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