



Response Date: 16/04/2025

2025/378 - Firearms

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

Please answer the following questions for the calendar years of 2022, 2023 and 2024.

1) Please send me a list of all of the incidents of a police officer from your force unintentionally discharging a firearm, telling me the date of the incident, the location, the rank of the officer, the damage caused by the discharging of the firearm (e.g. a glass panel may have been shattered, but please also specify if any injuries were caused by the unintentional discharging of the firearm) and the outcome of the incident (e.g. retraining, reassigned duties, no action taken). Please also tell me if the firearm in question was a police issued firearm or a seized firearm. Tell me the type of firearm too if possible.

Our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. To obtain the information in the format you have requested would involve manually going through the last 3 years' worth of FT11 forms. The cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (FOI) Fees and Appropriate Limit regulations 2004.

Therefore, in accordance with the FOI Act 2000 the information you have requested is exempt under Section 12 (1), and this letter acts as a Refusal Notice under section 17 (5) of the legislation.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 11/04/2025