



Response Date:18/07/2025

2025/747 - Dangerous Dogs

In response to your recent request for information excess cost is relevant to part which removes the forces obligations under the Freedom of Information Act, as a gesture of goodwill, I have supplied information, relative to your request, retrieved or available before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceeded. I trust this is helpful, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

For the period: 1st January 2025 to the 30th June 2025

1. How many suspected Section 1 dogs (per type) did your force seize under the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (DDA).

Estimate of 21.

1.2. For each S1 dog seized the average length of time between seizure and court hearing.

We do not hold an average.

1.3. For each S1 dog seized the cost per day per dog for kennelling.

£22 - £29 per day

2. The number of dogs seized as suspected prohibited types, deemed by the courts as being of each of the five different banned types Pit Bull Terrier Dogo Argentino Japanese Tosa Fila Brasileiro American Bully XL .

17 (6 Pitbull and 11 XL Bully).

3. How many Section 3 offences were taken to court?

Our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. To obtain the information in the format you have requested would involve manually reviewing each dangerous dog occurrences. 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.

3.1 of these how many were Section 3 offences including a dog of a type proscribed under Section 1 of the DDA?

As above.

3.2 For each dog involved in a Section 3 offence, what was their breed or type?

As above.

4.How many dogs were seized for S1 offences and euthanised

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4.1 how many of those were each of the four banned types Pit Bull Terrier Dogo Argentino Japanese Tosa Fila Brasileiro American Bully XL

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THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 17/07/2025