



Response Date:19/08/2025

2025/807 - Upskirting

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

1. Any advice issued to officers as to the search of other devices and/or the homes of those arrested under the Sexual Offences Act 2003 and/or Voyeurism (Offences) Act 2019 in relation to upskirting.

We do not hold any advice specific to your request.

2. The total number of those arrested for upskirting in 2023, 2024 and 2025.

3. The total number of those arrested for upskirting in 2023, 2024 and 2025 whose other devices were also searched

4. The total number of those arrested for upskirting in 2023, 2024 and 2025, whose homes were also searched

Custody Arrests

Calendar Year	HO Code	Reason Description
2023	088/12	Operate equipment beneath clothing of another without consent (recordable)
2025	088/12	Operate equipment beneath clothing of another without consent (recordable)
2025	088/12	Operate equipment beneath clothing of another without consent (recordable)

All had a search of homes/other devices.

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5. The total number of those charged with upskirting in 2023, 2024 and 2025.

6. The total number of those charged with upskirting in 2023, 2024 and 2025 whose other devices were also searched

7. The total number of those charged with upskirting in 2023, 2024 and 2025 whose homes were also searched

8. The number of times when the investigation of upskirting offences in 2023,2024 and 2025 has resulted in the arrested person being charged with other sexual offences.

Charges relating to upskirting offences 2023-2025 - alternative offence charges:

	Calendar Year	HO Code	HO Description	Offence Category Code	Offence Category Description	Offence HO Group1	Occ. Area	Outcome
1	2023	088/12	Additional voyeurism offences (upskirting)	88E	Exposure and Voyeurism	02. Sexual Offences	FS	01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition
2	2023	088/12	Additional voyeurism offences (upskirting)	88E	Exposure and Voyeurism	02. Sexual Offences	FS	01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition
3	2023	088/12	Additional voyeurism offences (upskirting)	88E	Exposure and Voyeurism	02. Sexual Offences	FS	01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition
4	2023	088/12	Additional voyeurism offences (upskirting)	88E	Exposure and Voyeurism	02. Sexual Offences	FS	01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition
5	2023	088/12	Additional voyeurism offences (upskirting)	88E	Exposure and Voyeurism	02. Sexual Offences	FS	01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition
6	2023	088/12	Additional voyeurism offences (upskirting)	88E	Exposure and Voyeurism	02. Sexual Offences	WC	01A. Alternate Offence Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition
7	2024	088/12	Additional voyeurism offences (upskirting)	88E	Exposure and Voyeurism	02. Sexual Offences	DC	01. Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition
8	2025	088/12	Additional voyeurism offences (upskirting)	88E	Exposure and Voyeurism	02. Sexual Offences	FS	01A. Alternate Offence Charged / Summoned / Postal Requisition

1-5 same individual

9. A breakdown of the other sexual offences with which those charged with upskirting have been charged

1-5	Voyeurism - operating equipment to observe - SOA 2003 (recordable), H5818, SX03130, 088/10
	Possess indecent photograph / pseudo-photograph of a child (recordable), H2205, CJ88115, 086/10
	Record image under clothing to observe another without consent (recordable), H19990, SX03234
	Take an indecent photograph / pseudo-photograph of a child (recordable), H4373, PK78001, 086/02

	Make indecent photograph / pseudo-photograph of a child (recordable), H4434, PK78008, 086/02
	Record image under clothing to observe another without consent (recordable), H19990, SX03234
	Attempt to operate equipment beneath clothing of another without consent (recordable), H100689, SX03233A, 088/12
	Act of outraging public decency - common law (recordable), H6007, COML062, 066/21
6	Engage in sexual communication with a child (recordable), H12043, SX03224, 071/17
	Take an indecent photograph / pseudo-photograph of a child (recordable), H4373, PK78001, 086/02
	Possess indecent photograph / pseudo-photograph of a child (recordable), H2205, CJ88115, 086/10
	Record image under clothing to observe another without consent (recordable), H19990, SX03234
	Adult attempt to engage in sexual communication with a child (recordable), H19072, SX03224A, 071/17
7	Make indecent photograph / pseudo-photograph of a child (recordable), H4434, PK78008, 086/02
	Possess a prohibited image of a child (recordable), H10154, CJ09001, 086/15
	Operate equipment beneath clothing of another without consent (recordable), H19989, SX03233, 088/12
	Breach sexual harm prevention order (recordable), H101093, SE20012, 068/08
	Sex offenders register - fail comply with notification requirements - SOA 2003 (recordable), H5862, SX03204, 066/17
8	Observe a person doing a private act (recordable), H5817, SX03129, 088/10
	Make indecent photograph / pseudo-photograph of a child (recordable), H4434, PK78008, 086/02
	Cause / incite a girl under 13 to engage in sexual activity - no penetration (recordable), H5675, SX03019, 021/03
	Offender of any age cause / incite a girl under 13 to engage in sexual activity - penetration (recordable), H5677, SX03021, 021/02
	Assault a girl under 13 by touching - SOA 2003 (recordable), H5673, SX03017, 020/06
	Assault a girl under 13 by penetration with a part of your body / a thing - SOA 2003 (recordable), H5671, SX03015, 020/04
	Rape a girl under 13 (recordable), H5667, SX03013, 019/16

10. The number of those charged with another sexual offence who had been charged with upskirting and had other devices searched.

11. The number of those charged with another sexual offence who had been charged with upskirting and their home searched.

All had a search of homes/other devices.

12. To the extent that you do not have the above information, the name of any organisation that you believe will have.

N/A.

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