



HEDDLU
GOGLEDD CYMRU
NORTH WALES
POLICE

Response Date: 18/09/2026

2026/934 - Shotgun certificate applications and renewals

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 concerning the processing of shotgun certificate applications and renewals by your force.

Please provide the following information:

1. The current average processing time, in days, for a new shotgun certificate application.

89 days (average turnaround time taken from the last full year).

2. The current average processing time, in days, for a shotgun certificate renewal.

72 days (average turnaround time taken from the last full year).

3. The number of new shotgun certificate applications currently awaiting determination.

We currently have 66 shotgun grants that are at various stages of the process that have not yet had the final decision.

4. The number of shotgun certificate renewal applications currently awaiting determination.

We currently have 296 shotgun renewals that are at various stages of the process that have not yet had the final decision.

5. The oldest outstanding shotgun certificate application or renewal, expressed as the number of days it has been awaiting determination.

The oldest application that we currently have has been with us for 174 days. However, this could be for a number of different reasons.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 16/09/2026

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