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LETTER SENT BY EMAIL ONLY

27 June 2025

FOI Ref 2025/26-035R

Request

On 16 May 2025 you made a request for information to the Scottish Police Authority. In response to your request the Authority explained we are not obliged to comply with a request for information if it is identical or substantially similar to a previous request from the same person, unless a reasonable period has elapsed between the submission of the requests.[1]

Our response referenced identical or substantially similar requests from you which were responded to in November and December 2024.

On 19 June 2025 you asked the Authority to review this decision.

Response

The Scottish Police Authority has considered your request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act (FOISA).

The decision has been reviewed by an independent reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

We can confirm that the original decision is upheld for the following reasons.

The Authority has already explained why we would not hold this information and directed the applicant to authorities which may hold information.

It is, therefore, considered that the Authority has complied with the requirements of the Act in terms of the original response and the duty to assist.

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[1] FOI 2025/26-031 - Training for police custody staff in dispensing medication, drug treatment and European Human Rights Act | Scottish Police Authority

Right to Review

If you remain dissatisfied, you can appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months. You can apply online, by email to enquiries@foi.scot or by letter to Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Commissioner's decision, you can appeal to the Court of Session, only if you think the law has not been applied correctly.

This response will be posted to our Disclosure Log after seven days.

Yours faithfully

Scottish Police Authority