



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

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FOI Reference number: FOI 93/2024

Date: 12 November 2024

Request:

Dear Northern Ireland Policing Board,

1. Please provide me with the number of IOD awards made by an SMP in each of the bandings 1 through to band 4 from 01/01/24 until date of compliance with this request

Answer:

IOD awards made from 01 January 2024 to 23 October 2024

| | Band 1 | Band 2 | Band 3 | Band 4 |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Injury on Duty | 34 | 39 | 39 | 2 |

Request:

2. Please provide me with the number of reconsiderations conducted by an SMP, from 01/01/24 until date of compliance with this request

Answer:

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| SMP Reconsiderations | 9 |
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Request:

3. Please provide the number of awards that were revised upward on SMP reconsideration, from 01/01/24 until date of compliance with this request.

Answer:

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| SMP Reconsiderations Revised (Increased) | 4 |
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4. Please provide the number of banding awards revised downwards on SMP reconsideration from 01/01/24 until date of compliance with this request.

Answer:

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| SMP Reconsiderations Revised | 0 |
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Request:

5. Please provide me with what the bandings were changed by the SMP from and to on reconsideration, from 01/01/24 until date of compliance with this request.
For example how many were changed from a band 3 to a band 2 and so forth for each banding

Answer:

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| Refused to Band 1 | 4 |
| Band 1 to Band 2 | 0 |
| Band 2 to Band 3 | 0 |
| Band 3 to Band 4 | 0 |

Request:

6. Please provide me with the number of awards that had the bandings changed by the IMR, from 01/01/24 until date of compliance with this request.

Answer:

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| Refused to Band 1 | 5 |
| Refused to Band 2 | 2 |
| Refused to Band 3 | 5 |
| Band 1 to Band 2 | 3 |
| Band 1 to Band 3 | 1 |
| Band 2 to Band 3 | 3 |
| Band 3 to Band 4 | 0 |

Request:

7. Please provide the number of bandings that remained the same after seeing the IMR, from 01/01/24 until date of compliance with this request.
Please provide details for Reconsideration and Appeal separately

Answer:

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| IMR Reconsiderations | 10 |
| Appeal | 6 |

Request:

8. Please provide the number of IOD awards that had the banding reduced by the IMR, from 01/01/24 until date of compliance with this request.
Please provide these details separately for reconsideration and appeal separately.

Answer:

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| IMR Bandings Reduced | 0 |
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Request:

9. Please provide the number of IOD awards that had the banding increased by the IMR, from 01/01/24 until date of compliance with this request. Please provide me with what the bandings were changed by the IMR from and to on reconsideration and appeal separately from 01/01/24 until date of compliance with this request.
For example how many were changed from a band 3 to a band 2 and so forth for each banding.

Answer:

| IOD Increased on Appeal | |
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| Refused to Band 1 | 5 |
| Refused to Band 2 | 2 |
| Refused to Band 3 | 5 |
| Band 1 to Band 2 | 3 |
| Band 1 to Band 3 | 1 |
| Band 2 to Band 3 | 3 |
| Band 3 to Band 4 | 0 |

| IOD Increased on Reconsideration | |
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| Refused to Band 1 | 0 |
| Refused to Band 2 | 0 |
| Refused to Band 3 | 0 |
| Band 1 to Band 2 | 0 |
| Band 1 to Band 3 | 0 |
| Band 2 to Band 3 | 0 |
| Band 3 to Band 4 | 0 |

Request:

10. Please provide the number of times the NIPB disagreed with the SMP/IMR decision and had the bands

a) Increased

b) decreased

c) please provide details of the what each band was increased from and to or decreased from and to on the input of the NIPB For example how many were changed from a band 3 to a band 2 and so forth for each banding.

Please provide separately for SMP and IMR.

Answer:

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| Banding Disagreement with SMP / IMR | 0 |
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Via Email: foi@nipolicingboard.org.uk

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Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
SK9 5AF

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