

# An Garda Síochána

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## Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000154-2022 Request Granted

**Dear**

I refer to your request, dated 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2022 and received on 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2022 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 (FOI Act) for records held by An Garda Síochána.

Part 1(n) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act states that An Garda Síochána is listed as a partially included agency "insofar as it relates to administrative records relating to human resources, or finance or procurement matters". Therefore, only administrative records that relate to human resources, finance or procurement shall be considered.

Your request sought:

*I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act pertaining to human resources into how many Gardai are qualified to drive a powerboat as part of the Garda Water Unit and what qualifications these Gardai have obtained.*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2022.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

### 1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Upon receipt, details of your request were forwarded to the relevant section within An Garda Síochána who have advised us that there are 17 members attached to the Garda Water Unit and that all 17 are qualified to drive powerboats. They are qualified to ISA (Irish Sailing Association) advanced powerboat level.

## 2. Right of Appeal

In the event that you are not happy with this decision you may seek an Internal Review of the matter by writing to the address below and quoting reference number **FOI-000154-2022**.

**Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, Navan, Co. Meath, C15 ND62.**

Please note that a fee applies. This fee has been set at €30 (€10 for a Medical Card holder). Payment should be made by way of bank draft, money order, postal order or personal cheque, and made payable to Accountant, Garda Finance Directorate, Garda Headquarters, Phoenix Park, Dublin 8.

Payment can be made by electronic means, using the following details:

**Account Name:** An Garda Síochána Imprest Account

**Account Number:** 30000302

**Sort Code:** 951599

**IBAN:** IE28DABA95159930000302

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**You must ensure that your FOI reference number FOI-000154-2022 is included in the payment details.**

You should submit your request for an Internal Review within 4 weeks from the date of this notification. The review will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of An Garda Síochána and the decision will be communicated to you within 3 weeks. The making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

Please be advised that An Garda Síochána replies under Freedom of Information may be released in to the public domain via our website at [www.garda.ie](http://www.garda.ie)

Personal details in respect of your request have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.

Should you wish to discuss the above, please contact the FOI Office by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,



**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

**PAUL BASSETT**

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER**

19<sup>th</sup>

**APRIL 2022.**