Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000465-2018
Request Refused

Dear,

I refer to your request, dated and received on 26th November, 2018 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:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 I request the following information:

a) The number of drivers with 12 or more points on their driving licence
b) A breakdown of the number of points from 12 upwards and a corresponding driver count
c) The highest amount of points on a driving licence and the offences committed by that driver
d) The most common offence committed across drivers with 12 or more penalty points

I wish to inform you that I have decided to refuse your request on 26th November, 2018.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

Seirbhí is gairmiúla pölimeachta agus slándála a sholáthar le hiontaoibh, muinín agus tacúocht na ndaoine ar a bhréastalaimid
To deliver professional policing and security services with the trust, confidence and support of the people we serve
1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

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I am therefore refusing your request as it falls outside the scope of the FOI Act insofar as it pertains to An Garda Síochána.

However, in respect of your request, you may wish to contact the Freedom of Information Officer for the RSA who may be in a position to assist you. The Officer can be contacted at the following address:

Freedom of Information Officer, Road Safety Authority, Moy Valley Business Park, Primrose Hill, Ballina, Co. Mayo

or by email to foi@rsa.ie.

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-000465-2018.


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: Garda Síochána Finance Section Public Bank Account
Account Number: 10026896
Sort Code: 900017
IBAN: IE86BOFI90001710026896
BIC: BOFIIIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number FOI-000465-2018 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 into the public domain via our website at www.garda.ie

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

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact me by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
SUPERINTENDENT

SHARON KENNEDY
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

26 NOVEMBER, 2018.