

**Force Disclosure Unit**

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Our ref: FOI 2021/1007

Reply contact name is:

Dear

I write in connection with your request for information dated 01/12/2021 concerning motoring offences.

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to handle all requests in a manner that is blind as to the identity and motives of the requestor. Any information released as a response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore in the public domain without caveat.

Your request for information has now been considered and I am able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

Please could you provide a count of how many fixed penalty notices have been issued by your constabulary for each of the following offences related to motoring for the specified time periods:

- 1) Use a motor vehicle on a road which was not fitted with an exhaust system including a silencer
(Offence code – RC86065)
- 2) Use a motor vehicle on a road with a defective exhaust system / silencer
(Offence code – RC86066)
- 3) Drive a vehicle on a road and fail to stop the engine when stationary for prevention of noise / exhaust emissions
(Offence code – RC86093)
- 4) Cause sounding of a horn whilst stationary
(Offence code – RC86394)
- 5) Cause motor vehicle horn to be sounded on restricted road at night
(Offence code – RC86395)
- 6) Use motor vehicle on a road in a manner as to cause excessive noise
(Offence code – RC86092)



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7) Use a handheld mobile phone / device while driving a motor vehicle on a road – Endorsable offence
(Offence code – RC86820)

Please provide me with the above counts for each offence for the following time periods:

November 2016 - October 2017

November 2017 - October 2018

November 2018 - October 2019

November 2019 - October 2020

November 2020 - October 2021

Response

– Please see below tables in relation to each time frame requested.

Notice Issued between 11/1/2016 12:00:00 AM and 11/1/2017 12:00:00 AM

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Numbers
RC86065	No Silencer	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86066	Defective Exhaust	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86067	Use a vehicle on a road with an exhaust system / silencer not maintained in a good and efficient working order	10	0
	Total	10	0
RC86068	Use a motor vehicle on a road with silencer / exhaust system altered to increased the noise made	1	0
	Total	1	0
RC86270	Use a motor cycle on a road fitted with an exhaust system / silencer which did not comply with the regulation	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86093	Drive a vehicle on a road and fail to stop the engine when stationary for prevention of noise / exhaust emissions	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86094	Sound a horn / bell / gong / siren fitted to a vehicle whilst stationary on a road	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86095	Sound horn at night	1	0
	Total	1	0
RC86092	Unnecessary Noise	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86321	Use a handheld mobile phone / device while driving a motor vehicle on a road - endorsable offence	128	22
	Total	128	22
RC86820	Use a handheld mobile phone / device while driving a motor vehicle on a road - endorsable offence	187	50
	Total	187	50
Total		327	72

Notice Issued between 11/1/2017 12:00:00 AM and 11/1/2018 12:00:00 AM

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Numbers
RC86065	No Silencer	0	1
	Total	0	1
RC86066	Defective Exhaust	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86067	Use a vehicle on a road with an exhaust system / silencer not maintained in a good and efficient working order	14	0
	Total	14	0
RC86068	Use a motor vehicle on a road with silencer / exhaust system altered to increased the noise made	9	1
	Total	9	1
RC86270	Use a motor cycle on a road fitted with an exhaust system / silencer which did not comply with the regulation	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86093	Drive a vehicle on a road and fail to stop the engine when stationary for prevention of noise / exhaust emissions	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86094	Sound a horn / bell / gong / siren fitted to a vehicle whilst stationary on a road	1	0
	Total	1	0
RC86095	Sound horn at night	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86092	Unnecessary Noise	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86321	Use a handheld mobile phone / device while driving a motor vehicle on a road - endorsable offence	0	2
	Total	0	2
RC86820	Use a handheld mobile phone / device while driving a motor vehicle on a road - endorsable offence	244	64
	Total	244	64
Total		268	68

Notice Issued between 11/1/2018 12:00:00 AM and 11/1/2019 12:00:00 AM

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Numbers
RC86065	No Silencer	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86066	Defective Exhaust	1	0
	Total	1	0
RC86067	Use a vehicle on a road with an exhaust system / silencer not maintained in a good and efficient working order	9	0
	Total	9	0
RC86068	Use a motor vehicle on a road with silencer / exhaust system altered to increased the noise made	6	0
	Total	6	0
RC86270	Use a motor cycle on a road fitted with an exhaust system / silencer which did not comply with the regulation	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86093	Drive a vehicle on a road and fail to stop the engine when stationary for prevention of noise / exhaust emissions	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86094	Sound a horn / bell / gong / siren fitted to a vehicle whilst stationary on a road	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86095	Sound horn at night	1	0
	Total	1	0
RC86092	Unnecessary Noise	1	0
	Total	1	0
RC86321	Use a handheld mobile phone / device while driving a motor vehicle on a road - endorsable offence	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86820	Use a handheld mobile phone / device while driving a motor vehicle on a road - endorsable offence	220	66
	Total	220	66
Total		238	66

**Notice Issued between 11/1/2019 12:00:00 AM
and 11/1/2020 12:00:00 AM**

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Numbers
RC86065	No Silencer	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86066	Defective Exhaust	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86067	Use a vehicle on a road with an exhaust system / silencer not maintained in a good and efficient working order	8	0
	Total	8	0
RC86068	Use a motor vehicle on a road with silencer / exhaust system altered to increased the noise made	3	0
	Total	3	0
RC86270	Use a motor cycle on a road fitted with an exhaust system / silencer which did not comply with the regulation	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86093	Drive a vehicle on a road and fail to stop the engine when stationary for prevention of noise / exhaust emissions	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86094	Sound a horn / bell / gong / siren fitted to a vehicle whilst stationary on a road	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86095	Sound horn at night	1	0
	Total	1	0
RC86092	Unnecessary Noise	1	0
	Total	1	0
RC86321	Use a handheld mobile phone / device while driving a motor vehicle on a road - endorsable offence	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86820	Use a handheld mobile phone / device while driving a motor vehicle on a road - endorsable offence	176	56
	Total	176	56
Total		189	56

Notice Issued between 11/1/2020 12:00:00 AM and 11/1/2021 12:00:00 AM

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Numbers
RC86065	No Silencer	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86066	Defective Exhaust	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86067	Use a vehicle on a road with an exhaust system / silencer not maintained in a good and efficient working order	8	0
	Total	8	0
RC86068	Use a motor vehicle on a road with silencer / exhaust system altered to increased the noise made	8	0
	Total	8	0
RC86270	Use a motor cycle on a road fitted with an exhaust system / silencer which did not comply with the regulation	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86093	Drive a vehicle on a road and fail to stop the engine when stationary for prevention of noise / exhaust emissions	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86094	Sound a horn / bell / gong / siren fitted to a vehicle whilst stationary on a road	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86095	Sound horn at night	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86092	Unnecessary Noise	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC89321	Use a handheld mobile phone / device while driving a motor vehicle on a road - endorsable offence	0	0
	Total	0	0
RC86820	Use a handheld mobile phone / device while driving a motor vehicle on a road - endorsable offence	220	54
	Total	220	54
Total		236	54

I am satisfied that all the relevant information has been passed to me and been considered in the light of your request within the time constraints applicable under the legislation.

Wiltshire Police would like to thank you for the interest that you have shown in the Force.

Yours sincerely

Force Disclosure Decision Maker

Wiltshire Police offers a re-examination of your case under its review procedure.



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Freedom of Information Request Appeals Procedure

1. Who Can Ask for a Review

Any person who has requested information from Wiltshire Police, which has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act, is entitled to complain and request an internal review, if they are dissatisfied with the response they received.

2. How to Request a Review

Requests for review of a Freedom of Information request must be made in writing to the:
Force Disclosure Unit
Wiltshire Police Headquarters,
London Road, Devizes,
Wiltshire,
SN10 2DN

Email at disclosure@wiltshire.police.uk.

The reference number, date of the request and details of why the review is being requested must be included. Requests for review should be brought to the attention of the Force Disclosure Unit within 20 working days of the Force's response to the original FoI request.

3. Review Procedure

Receipt of a request for review will be acknowledged in writing to include confirmation of the reasons for the review. The review will be conducted by another Decision Maker, who is independent from the original Decision Maker. The Force Disclosure Unit will set a target date for a response. The response will be made as soon as is practicable with the intention to complete the review within twenty working days. In more complex cases the review may take up to 40 working days.

The Independent Decision Maker will conduct a review of the handling of the request for information and of decisions taken, including decisions taken about where the public interest lies in respect of exempt information where applicable. The review enables a re-evaluation of the case, taking into account the matters raised by the complaint.

4. Conclusion of the Appeal

On completion of the review the Independent Decision Maker will reply to the complainant with the result of the review. If the complainant is still dissatisfied following the review they should contact the Information Commissioner to make an appeal. The Information Commissioner can be contacted via the following details:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
Tel: 01625 545 700
Fax: 01625 524 510
Email: mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk

Please note that the ICO's offices will be closed for the foreseeable future and are therefore unable to receive correspondence via post.

If you should wish you contact them, please visit <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/>