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London Road
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Wiltshire
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Date: 03/06/2026

Our ref: FOI 2026/369

I write in connection with your request for information dated 15/04/2026 concerning red traffic light 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:

I am writing to request information from you relating to offences for failing to comply with a red traffic light signal.

For the purposes of this request, I am referring to offences where a driver fails to stop at a red traffic light on a public road. Where possible, please exclude offences relating solely to other signal types such as level crossings or temporary roadworks signals.

I would be grateful if you could provide the following:

Q1. The total number of offences recorded for failing to comply with a red traffic light signal in each of the following calendar years: 2023, 2024, and 2025.

Q2. The total number of offences recorded for the same offence from 1 January 2026 to 31st March.

Q3. Where available, the top five locations, roads or junctions within your force area where the highest number of these offences were recorded.

Q4. Where available, a breakdown of offences by time of day. For example, grouped into bands such as:

Morning (5am to 11:59am)

Afternoon (12pm to 4:59pm)

Evening (5pm to 8:59pm)

Night (9pm to 4:59am)

Q5. Where available, the number of offences recorded in each month for the most recent full calendar year.

Q6. Where available, the total number of penalties issued for these offences, including Fixed Penalty Notices, prosecutions, or driver education courses.

If available, please indicate whether the figures provided include offences detected via automatic enforcement cameras.

Response:

Some of the information that you are requesting is not stored in a way which permits easy retrieval.

In order to ascertain the top 5 locations (question 3), roads or junctions would involve manually going into each incident to establish the full details of every location, if fully recorded. The same applies to question 4 regarding the time of day, to collate would involve manually going into each incident to collect the data.

Under the circumstances I am absolutely confident that to locate, retrieve and extract the information you seek would by far exceed the time obligations upon this authority to comply, and in so doing would exceed the fees limits. This is set at £450 calculated at a flat rate of £25 per hour for those work activities comprising of confirming the information is held, locating it, retrieving it and extracting it.

Ordinarily under our section 16 duty to provide advice and assistance, we would advise you how to refine your request to a more manageable level. However, due to the difficulties outlined above, I cannot see how this can be achieved in this particular case.

However, although excess cost removes the forces' obligations under the Freedom of Information Act, as a gesture of goodwill I have supplied information, relative to your request, retrieved or available before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceeded. I trust this is helpful, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request. What I am able to provide you are the answers documented below, **all data provided is for non-camera offences:-**

Q1. The total number of offences recorded for failing to comply with a red traffic light signal in each of the following calendar years: 2023, 2024, and 2025.

2023

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	124	36
	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals - manual detection	1	0
	Total	125	36
Total		125	36

2024

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	135	33
	Total	135	33
Total		135	33

2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	173	22
	Total	173	22
Total		173	22

Q2. The total number of offences recorded for the same offence from 1 January 2026 to 31st March.

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	35	0
	Total	35	0
Total		35	0

Q5. Where available, the number of offences recorded in each month for the most recent full calendar year.

January 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	8	4
	Total	8	4
Total		8	4

February 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	14	1
	Total	14	1
Total		14	1

March 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	28	1
	Total	28	1
Total		28	1

April 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	8	2
	Total	8	2
Total		8	2

May 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	17	3
	Total	17	3
Total		17	3

June 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	12	1
	Total	12	1
Total		12	1

July 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	11	3
	Total	11	3
Total		11	3

August 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	13	1
	Total	13	1
Total		13	1

September 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	19	2
	Total	19	2
Total		19	2

October 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	12	0
	Total	12	0
Total		12	0

November 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	13	4
	Total	13	4
Total		13	4

December 2025

Offence Code	Offence Description	Number of Notices Issued	Niche Offences
RT88975	Drive on road other than motorway, fail comply with red / green arrow / lane closure light signals	20	0
	Total	20	0
Total		20	0

Q6. Where available, the total number of penalties issued for these offences, including Fixed Penalty Notices, prosecutions, or driver education courses.

RT88975	Fixed Penalties	Driver retraining	Prosecutions
2023	21	94	9
2024	12	120	9
2025	5	105	11

If available, please indicate whether the figures provided include offences detected via automatic enforcement cameras. Wiltshire Police can confirm that there is no information held in relation to this part of your request.

Please note: We will not hold all prosecution information; this will be held by the courts.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires the Wiltshire Police, when refusing to provide such information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which: (a) states that fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

The exemption applicable to the information requested is:

Section 12: Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit

(1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

In accordance with section 17 of the Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for this particular request.

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

Keeping Wiltshire Safe

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



Force Disclosure Unit

Wiltshire Police HQ, London Road, Devizes, Wiltshire SN10 2DN



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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

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Fax: 01625 524 510

Email: mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk

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