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Your Ref:

Our Ref: FOI/D219/2010

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> July 2010

Dear Sir

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND ACT 2002) (FOISA)**

Further to your email dated 10<sup>th</sup> June 2010 requesting information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, (FOISA), I can advise you as follows:

There have been no illegal searches undertaken by Fife Constabulary with regard to authorisations to stop and search under Section 44 of the Terrorism Act 2000. Therefore under terms of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, Section 17 Notice that information is not held applies.

The attached document below provides details of searches undertaken as requested.

Further information concerning searches can be found at;

<http://rds.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs09/hosb1809.pdf>

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any further assistance.

If you are not satisfied with the way in which I have dealt with your request, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of the decision made by the Force. Should you wish to request such a review, please write to me within 40 working days of receiving this letter. If, after having been informed of the review panel's decision, you are still not satisfied, you are then entitled to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, telephone 01334 464610.

Yours sincerely

Scott Johnston  
Police Sergeant.



**Section 44 statistics.**

**2000-2005**

There were no Section 44 authorisations.

**2006**

No vehicles or pedestrians were stopped or searched.

**2007**

5 pedestrians stopped and searched.  
20 vehicles containing 27 occupants stopped and searched.

**2008**

**Stops**

41 pedestrians and  
867 vehicles containing 1294 occupants

**Searches**

23 pedestrians  
97 vehicles containing 118 occupants

**2009**

**Stops**

58 pedestrians and  
610 vehicles containing 956 occupants

**Searches**

34 pedestrians  
63 vehicles containing 46 occupants

**2010**

**Stops**

43 pedestrians and  
217 vehicles containing 341 occupants

**Searches**

5 pedestrians  
14 vehicles containing 13 occupants

