

- 1) The total number of approved driving instructors (ADIs) removed/resigned from the register from 2006 to 2011 broken down by calendar year
- 2) The total number of ADIs removed from the register due to check test failure from 2006 to 2011 broken down by calendar year

In the table below, you can find the total number of ADIs removed/resigned from the register and those removed due to check test failure from 2006 to 2011.

Year	Total number of ADIs removed/resigned	Total number of ADIs removed due to check test failure
2006	2,788	1
2007	3,042	1
2008	2,651	8
2009	2,946	2
2010	3,144	9
2011	3,496	8

Please note that the total number of ADIs removed from the register due to check test failure are included in the total number of ADIs removed/resigned from the register figures.

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In Table INSO101 Approved driving instructor (ADI) register statistics; from April 2011 to February 2012.

Under the FOIA , I would like a further breakdown of the figure of 576 removals for "poor performance" into the following categories;

- 1. Failure to meet "fit and proper" definition.**
- 2. Those removed purely on motoring offences related grounds.**
- 3. Those removed for failure to take a check test.**
- 4. Those removed for being considered substandard after failing three check tests.**

We do not hold, in a central record, a breakdown of reasons why an ADI was removed from the ADI register due to poor performance. This information is exempt from release under section 12 (1) (cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit) of the FOIA.

The appropriate limit, as prescribed by the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004, is £600 for Central Government and £450 for other public authorities, with staff costs calculated at a rate of £25 per hour. When calculating whether the appropriate limit is exceeded, authorities can take account of the costs of determining whether the information is held, locating and retrieving the information, and extracting the information from other documents. They cannot take account of the costs involved with considering whether information is exempt under the Act. A copy of this exemption is attached at Annex B.

We have estimated that it would take three minutes to manually check each ADI record for all 576 removals to establish the reason why they were removed. This equates to 28.8 hours, which would exceed the 24 working hour limit prescribed.

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In reference to IA/00208/12 about ADIs removed from the Register for 'poor performance' between April 2011 to February 2012 (576)

As it is going to take 28.8 hours at 3 minutes per record may I suggest the following solution to supply information within your 24 hour cost of compliance limit.

Please base the request on the last 480 removals chronologically, and I will extrapolate the percentages to the 576 which will be possible in 24 hours. Please provide details of the following categories:

a. Failure to meet "fit and proper" definition.

Out of the 480 records checked a total of 55 people failed to meet / maintain the fit and proper criteria and were therefore removed.

b. Those removed purely on motoring offences related grounds.

Out of the 480 records checked a total of 42 people were removed as a result of ceasing to be a fit and proper person because of motoring related offences. This figure is included in those removed for failing to meet 'fit and proper'.

c. Those removed for failure to take a check test.

Out of the 480 records checked 239 people were removed for failing to take a check test

d. Those removed for being considered substandard after failing three check tests.

Out of the 480 records checked 6 people were removed for being considered substandard after failing three check tests.

Please note that the figures supplied for the four above categories do not equate to the 480 removals. The additional removals will be for other reasons such as ADI resigned or died.

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