

**Annex A**

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As you are aware there is a lot of negative publicity about Mod 1 and accidents during the avoidance procedure.

Is it possible for you to provide the following stats please:

1. The frequency of such accidents during Mod 1 test compared with no of tests nationally. This would ideally be a monthly figure or graph since beginning of current test
2. The number of incidents split by the part of the test on which it occurred
3. A breakdown of these incidents into category i.e. A1, A2 etc.

The table below shows the information requested above:

Month/ Year	Tests Conducted	Incident %	Number of Incidents	Part of test on which incident occurred			Type of Bike		
				Emergency stop	Avoidance	Other	DAS	125	Typed of bike not recorded
27 – 30 April 2009	820	0.97%	7	1	6	0	5	2	0
May-09	5,146	0.43%	20	7	12	1	13	7	1
Jun-09	5,782	0.28%	16	9	7	0	11	5	0
Jul-09	6,387	0.40%	23	14	9	0	11	12	1
Aug-09	5,731	0.35%	20	13	7	0	14	6	0
Sep-09	6,267	0.48%	27	12	12	3	15	12	3
Oct-09	5,730	0.58%	31	11	18	2	21	10	2
Nov-09	4,441	1.06%	43	26	14	3	26	17	9
Dec-09	2,149	0.33%	7	3	1	3	6	1	1
Jan-10	1,235	0.16%	2	1	0	1	2	0	1
Feb-10	2,679	0.41%	11	5	4	2	11	0	4
Mar-10	4,456	0.31%	14	10	4	0	8	6	4
Apr-10	5,329	0.39%	21	7	13	1	17	4	6
May-10	6,007	0.21%	13	9	4	0	6	7	2
Jun-10	6,940	0.14%	10	4	6	0	0	10	9
Jul-10	6,028	0.19%	12	4	7	1	9	3	7
Aug-10	6,103	0.29%	18	10	8	0	4	14	10
Sep-10	6,234	0.14%	9	6	3	0	5	4	1
Oct-10	5,595	0.45%	25	11	12	2	18	7	0
Nov-10	4,265	0.77%	33	15	18	0	23	10	0
Dec-10	791	0.63%	5	2	3	0	5	0	0

Please note the figure for tests conducted:

we have provided details of the bike used as this information is recorded on our incident log and not the category of test

from April 2009 - March 2010 was produced on 21/10/2010

from April 2010 - December 2010 was produced on 20 January 2011

#### **4. Is there any way of identifying whether the test was booked by an ATB or the candidate?**

We do not keep details of either the driver number or candidate number on our incident log. To establish either the driver number or candidate number would involve manually checking all paper copies of DL25s for that day at that test centre and then checking them against our booking system to establish who booked the test. We have estimated that it would take in excess of 24 hours to compile details as to whether the test was booked by the candidate or an approved training body (ATB). This would exceed the 24 working hour limit prescribed so is exempt from release under section 12 (1) (cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit) of the FoIA. A full breakdown of this exemption can be found at Annex B.

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