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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of September 2nd, 2015, requesting the following information:

“Could you please provide me with some statistical information regarding the RN Police, specifically:

1. The total number of applications for transfer into the RN Police from 1 April 2010 - 31 March 2015 and of these, how many were successful?
2. The average progression rates for RN Police Ratings from AB2 up to and including WO1.
3. The chances of promotion for RN Police Ratings from AB2 to each subsequent rank up to and including WO1.”

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found below.

- **There were 200 applications** made to transfer to RN Police (REGULATING Branch as was) made over the period 2010-2015. However, the 200 includes many instances of multiple applications made by individuals, who reapplied on initial and possibly subsequent refusals.
- There have been 120 approvals over the same period.
- Of the 60 applications not approved, 20 were subsequently successful (and fewer than 5 of the rest of the 60 were refused twice before being subsequently successful).
- **This gives a total of 150 applicants who were approved.**
- Of the remainder, fewer than 5 were overtaken by events (no further information), fewer than 5 applications were subsequently withdrawn and fewer than 5 are still pending.
(the numbers presented above have been rounded in accordance with Defence Statistics rounding policy)

RN Regulators are not recruited on first entry to the Navy; as they transfer into this specialisation, all Regulators already have an existing Length of Service of a number of years. As a result, the data for the average progression rates and chances of promotion to subsequent ranks (in the following tables) have been calculated based on a *mean* Length of Service for service personnel within the OR-2 rank (i.e. 5 years).

Summary Career Forecast

for Navy Ratings RN Regulators
(RN Police)
Gender=Any
Trained and untrained personnel

Expected LOS in rank

for personnel of rank OR-2 with LOS 5

Rank	Expected LOS in rank	Expected LOS on promotion to the rank
OR-2	1.3	
OR-4	6.2	6.3
OR-6	8.0	12.5
OR-7	5.3	21.0
OR-9	3.2	26.9

% Chance of Promotion

Starting at Rank OR-2

	OR-4	93%
	OR-6	56%
	OR-7	30%
	OR-9	8%

Please Note that these figures may be misleading due to the small sample size of the group in the source data.

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Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that the population of OR-2 Regulators in the Royal Navy is very small. The majority of RN Regulators are recruited at the OR-4 (Leading Hand) Rank. In order to assist with your enquiry, I have provided similar data for this second population.

Summary Career Forecast

for Navy Ratings RN Regulators
(RN Police)
Gender=Any
Trained and untrained personnel

Expected LOS in rank

for personnel of rank OR-4

Rank	Expected LOS in rank	Expected LOS on promotion to the rank
OR-4	4.9	
OR-6	7.4	14.2
OR-7	5.2	21.9
OR-9	3.3	27.3

% Chance of Promotion

Starting at Rank OR-4

	OR-6	64%
	OR-7	35%
	OR-9	9%

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If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

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