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Thank you for your email of 26 January in which you clarified your original requested dated 23 December 2016 you have asked for the following information:

I'm looking for injuries during training

How many incidents which resulted in injury were reported in 2016 at the Otterburn Military Camp?

How many incidents which resulted in injury were reported in 2015 at the Otterburn Military Camp?

How many incidents which resulted in injury were reported in 2014 at the Otterburn Military Camp?

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

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held. The information has been taken from a variety of reporting mechanisms and there remains the potential for recent incidents to be reported late, leading to changes in the numbers. The data relates to a range of injuries including insect bites, cuts, bruises, sprains, strains, pain, dislocations, fractures and climatic injuries affecting one or all body parts including fingers, toes, limbs, torso, back, neck and head. The data will exclude any personnel who were only seen by a medical officer and their injury not subsequently reported through the reporting mechanisms.

The information you requested is shown in the table below, please note that usage of the training area has increased since 2015:

Financial Year	Injuries during Training
2013/14	58
2014/15	54
2015/16	126
2016/17	68*

Date Range 1 April 2013 – 31 December 2016

Source: Notification of Casualties (NOTICAS); MOD Health and Safety databases

Footnotes:

1. Personnel include Regular personnel, Reservist Personnel, Cadets and Civilians.

2. Please note the most recent data currently held centrally for MOD Health and Safety systems is 30 September 2016. This figure also includes injuries identified using Notification of Casualties data up until 31 December 2016.

* Please note that the figure is provisional.

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, Ground 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.

Yours sincerely,

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