



CIVIL NUCLEAR CONSTABULARY

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Dear Requester

I am writing in response to your request for information regarding the below. Your request has been handled under Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. In accordance with Section 1(1) (a) of the Act I hereby confirm that the CNC/CNPA does not hold information of the specified type. CNC does not deal with crime reporting. This is handled by Home Office forces.

Your Request:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding fireworks-related incidents involving animals or pets.

Specifically, I am seeking data for each of the following calendar years: 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and any available partial data for 2025.

Please provide:

The number of fireworks-related incidents involving animals or pets recorded between 1 October and 31 December for each year.

If possible, please provide a daily or weekly breakdown of these incidents during this period, to show any dates with notable peaks or spikes in activity (e.g. around Bonfire Night, Diwali, or New Year's Eve).

The total number of fireworks-related incidents overall (including those not involving animals) during the same October–December period, for context.

The number of public complaints or reports made to **North Yorkshire Police relating to fireworks and their impact on animals or pets, for the same period.**

Any internal reports, summaries, or analyses that identify seasonal peaks in fireworks-related incidents or complaints, particularly those involving animals.

Where possible, please provide a breakdown by animal type (e.g. dog, cat, horse, livestock, wildlife, other) for the fireworks-related incidents involving animals described above.

For clarity, by “fireworks incidents involving animals,” I mean any reported incident, complaint, or call for service where fireworks caused distress, injury, or harm to animals — including domestic pets (such as dogs and cats), livestock, horses, or wildlife — or where such animals were mentioned in the incident record or call notes.

CNC Response:

CNC does not deal with crime reporting.

This is handled by Home Office forces.

Although you refer to North Yorkshire Police in your question, we have assumed that you did mean to direct your enquiry to the CNC, and responded accordingly.

Context:

The Civil Nuclear Constabulary is a specialist armed police service dedicated to the civil nuclear industry, with Operational Policing Units based at 10 civil nuclear sites in England and Scotland and over 1600 police officers and staff. The Constabulary headquarters is at Culham in Oxfordshire. The civil nuclear industry forms part of the UK’s critical national infrastructure and the role of the Constabulary contributes to the overall framework of national security.

The purpose of the Constabulary is to protect licensed civil nuclear sites and to safeguard nuclear material in transit. The Constabulary works in partnership with the appropriate Home Office Police Force or Police Scotland at each site. Policing services required at each site are agreed with nuclear operators in accordance with the Nuclear Industries Security

Regulations 2003 and ratified by the UK regulator, the Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR). Armed policing services are required at most civil nuclear sites in the United Kingdom. The majority of officers in the Constabulary are Authorised Firearms Officers.

The Constabulary is recognised by the National Police Chiefs' Council (NPCC) and the Association of Chief Police Officers in Scotland (ACPOS). Through the National Coordinated Policing Protocol, the Constabulary has established memorandums of understanding with the local police forces at all 10 Operational Policing Units. Mutual support and assistance enable the Constabulary to maintain focus on its core role.

We take our responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act seriously. If you feel your request has not been properly handled or you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you have the right to request an internal review. We will investigate the matter and aim to reply within three to six weeks. You should write, in the first instance, to:

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If you are still dissatisfied following our internal review, you have the right, under section 50 of the Act, to complain directly to the Information Commissioner. Before considering your complaint, the Information Commissioner would expect you to have exhausted the internal review procedure provided by the CNPA.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

FOI Compliance Team (complaints)
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

If you require any further assistance in connection with this request, please contact us using the details provided above.

Yours sincerely

Jo Sawley

Disclosures Officer