| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-1820  Responded to: 14th August 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

Please can you answer the following questions.

## Do you have AEDs (defibrillators) in your workplace?

I can confirm that Police Scotland do have AEDs.

## If yes, where are your AEDs stored? (e.g. in vehicles, in offices/stations, outside of building in a cabinet)

Our AEDs are stored in various locations depending on the building, but they are either stored inside the buildings or within cabinets on the outside of buildings.

## How many AEDs do you have?

Unfortunately, I estimate that it would cost well in excess of the current FOI cost threshold of £600 to process your request. I am therefore refusing to provide the information sought in terms of section 12(1) of the Act - Excessive Cost of Compliance.

By way of explanation, there is no centralised recording system which records the amount of Automated External Defibrillator that Police Scotland have. AEDs are divisionally sourced, purchased and maintained therefore every division force would have to be contacted to carry out a search of every building. As such this is an exercise which I estimate would far exceed the cost limit set out in within the Act.

However, to be of assistance, I can confirm that 40 AEDs were purchased in 2022. Several others have been gifted to Police Scotland or are shared through co-locations with partner organisations.

## What make & model are the AEDs please?

Police Scotland have various models of AEDs. Please see the list below

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| [Phillips Heartstart FR2+ / HIS](https://www.documents.philips.com/assets/Instruction%20for%20Use/20210514/b8e042e912564c2dab40ad2800619f3d.pdf?feed=ifu_docs_feed&_gl=1*16efebw*_ga*NDYxOTc3Njg5LjE2NDU5NjgyMDg.*_ga_2NMXNNS6LE*MTY0NTk2ODIwOC4xLjEuMTY0NTk2ODQ2MC42MA..*_fplc*OVdRSFpXY2k3aEVPV1N1a0ZSbm0xJTJCcFdkQVROcEZtVWJpaWN5MEptU0hUVHI5MVZWSGIwdzklMkYwclZqT0Z0YkRaSmFLcUhmR3UybTZtbFEzSHBaJTJGQnp6TDBmSVdRTyUyQjVXWTR2QWI3UXU0WUFzYlIwR3hRV1RmRG9BMVBxY2clM0QlM0Q.*_ga_Q243QQ1P76*MTY0NTk2ODIwOC4xLjEuMTY0NTk2ODQ2MC42MA..&_ga=2.24181050.1851764586.1645968209-461977689.1645968208) |
| [Phillips Heartstart FRX](https://www.documents.philips.com/assets/Instruction%20for%20Use/20210518/bbf1d8bda6e2442cb347ad2c002292ff.pdf?feed=ifu_docs_feed&_gl=1*cuc2ey*_ga*NDYxOTc3Njg5LjE2NDU5NjgyMDg.*_ga_2NMXNNS6LE*MTY0NTk2ODIwOC4xLjEuMTY0NTk2ODU3NC41Ng..*_fplc*OVdRSFpXY2k3aEVPV1N1a0ZSbm0xJTJCcFdkQVROcEZtVWJpaWN5MEptU0hUVHI5MVZWSGIwdzklMkYwclZqT0Z0YkRaSmFLcUhmR3UybTZtbFEzSHBaJTJGQnp6TDBmSVdRTyUyQjVXWTR2QWI3UXU0WUFzYlIwR3hRV1RmRG9BMVBxY2clM0QlM0Q.*_ga_Q243QQ1P76*MTY0NTk2ODIwOC4xLjEuMTY0NTk2ODU3NC41Ng..&_ga=2.48316070.1851764586.1645968209-461977689.1645968208) |
| [Cardiac Science G3](https://manualmachine.com/cardiacscience/powerheartaedg3pro/4657727-service-and-user-manual/) |
| [Cardiac Science G5](https://www.manualslib.com/manual/1338106/Cardiac-Science-Powerheart-G5.html) |
| [Defibtec DDU-E](https://www.defibtech.com/site/assets/files/1051/ddu-2300-user-manual.pdf) |
| [Zollo AED Plus / Pro](https://www.aedbrands.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Zoll-AED-Plus-Users-Manual-X.pdf) |
| [AED Lifepak](https://www.aed.com/media/stryker-lifepak-cr2-operator-manual.pdf) |
| [Heartsine 500P](https://heartsine.com/wp-content/uploads/manuals/H017-001-526-2_PAD500_User-Manual_English_RoW.pdf) |  |
| [Samaritan SAM500P](https://heartsinelive.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/2013/10/0120_H017-001-600-7_500P_TrainerUser_UK_web.pdf) (Trainer unit only) |  |
| [Lifepak CR Plus / 2](https://www.aedbrands.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/CR-Plus-Manual-2014.pdf) |  |
| [CU Medical Systems](https://www.aedsuperstore.com/pdf/cu-medical-i-pad-aed-manual.pdf) |  |
| [Medtronic Lifepak](https://www.aedsuperstore.com/pdf/physio-control-lifepak-500-aed-manual.pdf) |  |
| [IPAD U / K](https://www.aedsuperstore.com/pdf/cu-medical-i-pad-aed-manual.pdf) |  |

## How old are the AEDs or what year were they purchased?

AEDs around the force have been purchased or donated over a number of years and as such will be of various ages, as such unfortunately, I estimate that it would cost well in excess of the current FOI cost threshold of £600 to process your request. I am therefore refusing to provide the information sought in terms of section 12(1) of the Act - Excessive Cost of Compliance.

By way of explanation every local division would have to be contacted to determine the dates which any AEDS were gifted or purchased. As such this is an exercise which I estimate would far exceed the cost limit set out in within the Act.

## When would you look to replace your AEDs?

AEDs would be replaced as and when they become unserviceable. Local Area Commanders would determine this based on various criteria. This criterion includes but is not limited to:

* The age of the current defibrillator
* Condition of the defibrillator.
* Availability of replacement parts i.e. pads.
* Availability of defibrillators in proximity to location
* Building plans and operational requirements.
* Building utilisation / hours of operation

## Who in the force deals with the maintenance of equipment such as AEDs?

AEDs are locally managed, so identified persons within each relevant area/division are tasked with the maintenance. The overall responsibility is with the area commander/senior manager or person with overall responsibility for the day-to-day management of the building/premise.

## Who is in charge of purchasing equipment such as AEDs?

As AEDs are locally managed, they are also locally purchased (or in some cases accepted as donations). The Divisional commander is usually the accountable officer for each specific divisional spend of which this is part of.

## Where do you purchase AEDs from?

The current Scottish Police Authority contract is with Aero Healthcare

If you require any further assistance, please contact us quoting the reference above.

You can request a review of this response within the next 40 working days by [email](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk) or by letter (Information Management - FOI, Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH). Requests must include the reason for your dissatisfaction.

If you remain dissatisfied following our review response, you can appeal to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner (OSIC) within 6 months - [online](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) or by letter (OSIC, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, KY16 9DS).

Following an OSIC appeal, you can appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

This response will be added to our [Disclosure Log](http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log) in seven days' time.

Every effort has been taken to ensure our response is as accessible as possible. If you require this response to be provided in an alternative format, please let us know.