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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## 1. For the football season 2022/23 the specific football matches e.g. Celtic vs Rangers, in tiers 1-4 of the league system, that had a match commander present in the stadium control room, including the rank of the officer?

## 2. For the football season 2023/24 to date, the specific football matches e.g. Hibernian vs Hearts, in tiers 1-4 of the league system, that had a match commander present in the stadium control room, including the rank of the officer?

I have attached separately, (24-0154 Data 1), which provides the above requested information.

## 3. For the football season 2022/23 the specific football matches e.g. Celtic vs Rangers, where an internal review of the match was undertaken by your NFIP department or other officers, including the rank(s) of the review team and if they attended the match as part of this review?

The requested information is provided below:

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| **DATE** | **FIXTURE** | **RANKS OF REVIEW TEAM** |
| 21/07/2022 | Motherwell v Sligo Rovers | Police Inspector and Police Constable |
| 30/07/2022 | Livingston v Rangers | Police Inspector and Police Sergeant |
| 04/08/2022 | Dundee Utd v AZ Alkmaar | Police Inspector and Police Constable |
| 06/08/2022 | Ross County v Celtic | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 14/08/2022 | Kilmarnock v Celtic | Chief Inspector and Police Constable |
| 20/08/2022 | Hibernian v Rangers | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 25/08/2022 | Hearts v Zurich | Police Inspector and Police Constable |
| 03/09/2022 | Celtic v Rangers | Chief Inspector and Police Constable |
| 24/09/2022 | Scotland v ROI | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 08/10/2022 | St Johnstone v Celtic | Police Inspector and Police Constable |
| 19/10/2022 | Rangers v Dundee | Police Inspector and Police Constable |
| 12/11/2022 | St Mirren v Rangers | Chief Inspector and Police Constable |
| 17/12/2022 | Aberdeen v Celtic | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 02/01/2023 | Rangers v Celtic | Police Inspector and Police Constable |
| 15/01/2023 | Rangers v Aberdeen | Superintendent and Police Sergeant |
| 21/01/2023 | Arbroath v Motherwell | Police Inspector and Police Constable |
| 23/01/2023 | Darvel v Aberdeen | Superintendent, Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 10/02/2023 | Hamilton v Hearts | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 11/03/2023 | Hearts v Celtic | Police Inspector and Police Sergeant |
| 13/03/2023 | Falkirk v Ayr UT | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 08/04/2023 | Celtic v Rangers | Superintendent, Police Inspector and Police Constable |
| 30/04/2023 | Rangers v Celtic | Superintendent and Police Sergeant |
| 13/05/2023 | Rangers v Celtic | Superintendent and Police Constable |

## 4. For the football season 2023/24 to date, the specific football matches e.g. Hibernian vs Hearts where an internal review of the match was undertaken by your NFIP department or other officers, including the rank(s) of the review team and if they attended the match as part of this review?

The requested information is provided below:

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| **DATE** | **FIXTURE** | **RANKS OF REVIEW TEAM** |
| 05/08/2023 | Kilmarnock v Rangers | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 13/08/2023 | Aberdeen v Celtic | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 23/08/2023 | Hibernain v Aston Villa | Chief Inspector and Police Sergeant |
| 22/08/2023 | Rangers v PSV | Superintendent and Police Inspector |
| 07/10/2023 | Hearts v Hibernian | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 19/11/2023 | Scotland v Norway | Chief Inspector and Police Constable |
| 17/12/2023 | Rangers v Aberdeen | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 30/12/2023 | Celtic v Rangers | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 20/01/2024 | Dumbarton v Rangers | Police Sergeant and Police Constable |
| 24/01/2024 | Hibernian v Rangers | Superintendent, Police Sergeant and Police Constable |

## 5. For the remainder of football season 2023/24 [from today], the specific football matches e.g. Hibernian vs Hearts where an internal review of the match is due to be undertaken by your NFIP department or other officers, including the rank(s) of the review team and if they intend on attending the match as part of this review?

I can advise that Police Scotland does not hold the above requested information. In terms of Section 17 of the Act, this letter represents a formal notice that information is not held.

By way of explanation, the review process referred to is currently under review and as such there are no fixed reviews scheduled for the rest of the season. Any reviews will be carried out on an ad-hoc basis until the new process has been agreed.

## 6. A copy of the standard operating procedure, guidance document or memo(s) that outline the review process? A censored copy would be accepted.

I have attached separately, (24-0154 Data 2), which contains guidance on the criteria set for carrying out internal football policing reviews.

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.