| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information Response Our reference: FOI 24-0190  Responded to: 9 February 2024 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## Can you provide the simple formula used by your forces pensions branch showing how the 1/60th’s accrual rate are established in practice for this hypothetical officer below:

## a 52 yr old police inspector who joined in October 1998 who has 25yrs 5 months total pensionable service composed of 23 years 6 months in the 1987 scheme and 2 years in the CARE 2015 scheme and is ill health retired on medical grounds, low tier, exiting in March 2024 - pensionable salary is 59,162 - please outline the order sequence in calculating the total 1/60th’s this officer will be credited with when calculating the gross pension for both schemes?

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

As you will be aware an individual’s right in terms of the legislation is to obtain information held by a public authority at the time a request is received and there is no obligation on them to create new information specifically for this request.

By way of explanation, in Scotland, it is the Scottish Public Pensions Agency (SPPA) who act as the Scheme Manager, on behalf of Scottish Ministers, and are also responsible for administering the Police Pension Scheme. Police Scotland do not have access to police officer pension records.

I would therefore refer you to SPPA for this information: <https://pensions.gov.scot/police>

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.