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

## It has been reported that between December 2023 and January 2024 safety training courses were postponed for some Police Scotland officers. Can you confirm if there is a backlog in officers receiving safety training courses as a result? If there is a backlog, can you confirm how many officers are not fully up to date with their safety training?

On 18th July 2024, of all operationally deployable officers/authorised staff, 3842 individuals had fallen out with their annual recertification period.

These delays in training are partly associated to (and recovery from) training suspensions over the festive period of 2023/24.

There is an authorised extension of certification until 31st December 2024 with a sufficiency of training spaces being planned to accommodate training demand.

## If there is no backlog, can you confirm when officers who had their training postponed between December and January received that training?

Please see the response above.

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 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 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.