

**Subject:** Re: Request for Information - Freedom of Information Act 2000. No. 4675 <NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED>

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**To:** OpenWorld News <foi.police@openworldnews.com>

Dear Mr McNamara,

I refer to your recent request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as set out below:

1 a) On how many occasions in 2013 (up until today's date 2 July 2013) was a Taser deployed against an animal. Please provide the species of animal as well as how the Taser was deployed (i.e. drive-stun mode, firings and incidents where the taser was drawn and aimed.)

b) Please also provide a summary for each incident.

Please could you also provide:

2) The same for 2012

3) The same for 2011

4) The same for 2010

In accordance with section 1(1) (b) of the Act, our response is as follows:

2013 - NIL

2012 - One - 19.07.12. Taser drawn and red dot used against group of 'aggressive' subjects and large dog. Dog only described as 'large and aggressive', no breed mentioned. No discharge against subjects or dog.

2011 - NIL

2010 - Three :-

14.07.10. Discharge on Akita dog that was running around attacking members of the public. The dog was Tasered and then shot. Tasered in the body.

30.07.10. Taser drawn and Red Dot used against a male with 3 rottweilers. Male was threatening officers with the dogs. No discharge against male or dogs.

04.10.10. Discharge again on Akita dog that had attacked its owner and was out of control. The dog was Tasered then shot. Again tasered in body.

If I can be any further assistance in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you are not satisfied with the decision applied in this case I enclose for your attention a copy of the Constabulary's appeal procedures.

(See attached file: FOI Appeals Procedures Final Version 1.doc)

Regards

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