

Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority
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FOI Ref: 2022-001

9<sup>th</sup> February 2022

## **REQUEST UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002**

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022. Your specific requests and the Park Authority's response are provided below.

'Could you please provide statistics of types of vessel associated with each of the aforementioned categories of offence. For example out of 100 speeding offences 50 were personal water craft 25 speed boats, 25 motor cruisers.'

Details of the different types of vessel associated with different offences under the Loch Lomond Byelaws are shown in the table below. Please note that it is not possible to distinguish between different powered vessel types without going through each individual registration record. It is possible to differentiate between PWCs and other powered vessels as the registration prefix 'J' is unique to PWCs.

Other powered vessels will include motorboats, speedboats, motor cruisers, fishing boats, i.e. any other motorised craft on the Loch with an engine, which are subject to the byelaws.

The types of violation shown in this response have altered in some cases from the information provided in a previous response about byelaw violations on the Loch. For example, the recorded violation in the previous response table for 'knowingly navigate a vessel in a manner which causes a nuisance or danger' was subsequently changed to 'Navigating without due care and attention.' This change was made following a review of the circumstances and re-categorising of the offence based on evidence provided.

The previous FOI request was received before the end of 2021, additional violations have been added to the total now that we have data for the full year.

Type of Contravention	Year-end Total	Vessel Types Total

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	2021	PWC	Other powered vessel	#Unconfirmed
Speeding in 11kph Zone	174	117	42	15
Display of Annual Mark	134	31	99	4
Failure to register	45	3	7	35
Display of Registration Number	33	12	17	4
Carrying observer whilst towing recreationally	7	5	0	2
Failure to carry sufficient or appropriate Personal Flotation Devices	2	0	2	0
Failure to wear a Personal Flotation Device on a Personal Water Craft	4	4	0	0
Reckless navigation	1	1	0	0
Failure to conform to direction by a ranger	3	3	0	0
Navigating without due care and attention	1	0	1	0
Failure to declare a transfer of ownership	1	1	0	0
Young person in charge of vessel over 5hp	2	2	0	0
	407	179	168	60

The '# Unconfirmed' vessel types arise because the database pulls "vessel type" from the boats table in the database. Where we do not already have a registration record of a vessel, there is no information available to extract from the database. The highest number of violations are associated with a "failure to register".

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#### **Review Procedure**

If you are dissatisfied with this decision, or the way in which the Authority has dealt with your request, you are entitled to require the Authority to review its decision. Please note that in order for a review to take place you are required to:

- Send your request for review in writing, setting out in full the reasons why you are requesting a review.
- Submit your review request within 40 working days of either the date on which you
  received a response from the Authority or the date by which you should have
  received a response under the terms of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act
  2002, whichever is the later.
- address your review request to:

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Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority
National Park Headquarters
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Carrochan Road
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The review will be handled by staff who were not involved in the original decision. You will receive notice of the result of your review within 20 working days.

If you are not satisfied with the response to your request for review, you can contact the Scottish Information Commissioner, the independent body which oversees the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, at:

Scottish Information Commissioner Kinburn Castle Doubledykes Road St Andrews Fife KY16 9DS

Tel: 01334 464610

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