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Re: Freedom of Information Act application

In reference to your application made pursuant to the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (FOI Act), access was sought to:

"I AM SEEKING COPY OF RECENT SAPOL POLICY RELATED TO POLICE OFFICER TATTOOS AND RECRUITING PERSONS WITH TATTOOS. I AM ALSO SEEKING COPY OF SAPOL POLICY RELATED TO POLICE FOFICERS (sic) WITH ONE DRINK DRIVING CHARGE AND ONE COMMON ASSAULT CHARGE. I UNDERSTAND THESE ARE POLICY DOCUMENTS. I AM NOT JUST SEEKING THE POLICY, BUT THE ACTUAL START TO FINISH OF THE POLICY AND ANY AND ALL COMMITTEE WORK AND OR SUBMISSIONS FROM THE PUBLIC. I DID NOT KNOW OF THESE POLCIES (sic) AND I DID NOT MAKE ANY SUBMISSIONS TO THEIR INTRODUCTION OR USE OR ANY CHANGES TO THE POLICIES."

In relation to this part of your request:

"I AM SEEKING COPY OF RECENT SAPOL POLICY RELATED TO POLICE OFFICER TATTOOS AND RECRUITING PERSONS WITH TATTOOS."

An excerpt of the General Order, Dress Standards has been considered as the other parts of this document are outside the scope of your request. In assessing the overall structure of the document, I consider the document consists of standing orders relating to multiple different topics. Whilst the document does contain information relative to your application for access, I consider the remaining parts of the document to have no bearing on your application. The fact that the information you seek is contained in the document alongside other unrelated information is solely by virtue of the structure of the document.

While the segments of the document are connected via a common theme; dress standards, I consider it appropriate that each heading be treated as a different entry, similar to a chapter of a book, or an entry of a diary. Without creating a new document, provision of an excerpt of the document in redacted form is the most efficient manner in which to provide the document. I therefore consider the information not marked as out of scope to be the only information within scope of your request.



The document is numbered and described in the following schedule. The schedule contains the details of the determination in compliance with section 23.

SA POLICE - FREEDOM OF INFORMATION UNIT SCHEDULE		
No.	Document Description	Status
1	Excerpt: General Order – Dress Standards – (Part 15 – Tattoos/Body Art, Body Modifications or Body Piercings) – 6 pages	Full Release

In relation to this part of your request:

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Searches of SAPOLs internal policies, procedures and general orders have been conducted; and enquiries have been made with SAPOL’s Corporate Policy Unit and Internal Investigations Section, however we have been unable to locate any documents relative to this part of your request.

Your rights to review

If you are dissatisfied with this determination, you are entitled to exercise your right of internal review in accordance with section 29(1) of the FOI Act by completing a PD362 Application for Internal Review form, which can be downloaded from <https://www.police.sa.gov.au/services-and-events/freedom-of-information> or available upon request at your nearest police station. Alternatively, an application may be made in writing to the SAPOL Freedom of Information Unit. This application must be lodged within 30 (calendar) days after you receive this letter with a fee of \$40.75, if applicable.

Disclosure Log

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access will be published on the SAPOL website Disclosure Log.

A copy of PC045 can be found at:

https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0019/20818/PC045-Disclosure-Logs.pdf.

If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing by 23 February 2024.

Yours sincerely



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