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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:

“A copy of all vehicles that have been crushed due to court rulings, and reasonings why, for the calendar years of 2020, 2021, 2022, and YTD in 2023”

On 27 October 2023 I spoke with a member of your office in regards to the above request. As a result of the conversation, the scope of the request was amended to the following:

“The number of vehicles destroyed and the reasons why, for the calendar years of 2020, 2021, 2022, and YTD in 2023”

South Australia Police (SAPOL) provide the below information in response to your request and agree to **release the information in full**.

Impoundable Offences / Destroyed Vehicles – Year 2020

Act (Reason)	Offence Name	Total
Agg S45A RTA	Aggravated Driving A Motor Vehicle Without Due Care	2
S102 MVA	A Second Or Subsequent Offence Of Driving An Uninsured Motor Vehicle	27
S17AA SOA	Misusing A Motor Vehicle On Private Land	1
S19AB CLCA	Leaving The Scene Of An Accident After Causing Death Or Harm By The Careless Use Of A Vehicle	1
S19AC CLCA	Dangerous Driving To Escape Police	17
S44B RTA	Misusing A Motor Vehicle	9
S46 RTA	Driving Recklessly Or At A Speed In A Manner Dangerous To The Public	10
S47 RTA	Driving Under The Influence	16
S47B RTA	Driving Whilst Having Prescribed Concentration Of Alcohol In The Blood	90
S47BA RTA	Driving With Prescribed Drug In Oral Fluid Or Blood	10
S47E(3) RTA	Refuse Alco/BA	8



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Act (Reason)	Offence Name	Total
S47E(3a)RTA	Refuse Alco/BA With Child In Vehicle	2
S47EAA(9) RTA	Refuse Drug Screen/OFA/Blood	5
S74 (2) MVA	Driving Unlicensed Where Never Having Held A Licence To Drive A Certain Class Of Motor Vehicle	99
S74 (2a) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Being Previously Disqualified For A Serious Drink Driving Offence	17
S74 (2ab) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Previously Being Disqualified For A Drink Driving Offence	10
S74 (2ac) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Previously Being Disqualified For A Drug Driving Offence	38
S74(2)MVA	Driving Unlicensed Where Never Having Held A Licence To Drive A Certain Class Of Motor Vehicle	10
S74(2a)MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Being Previously Disqualified For A Serious Drink Driving Offence	5
S9 Graffiti Ctrl Act	Marking Graffiti	1
S9 MVA	A Second Or Subsequent Offence Of Driving An Unregistered Motor Vehicle	47
S91(5a) MVA	Driving Whilst Disqualified	197
Grand Total	Number Of Offences Committed	622
	Number Of Vehicles Destroyed*	530*

**The number of vehicles destroyed is not equal to the number of offences committed as each vehicle can be involved in multiple impound offences.*

Impoundable Offences / Destroyed Vehicles – Year 2021

Act (Reason)	Offence Name	Total
19ADA	Extreme Speed	1
Agg S45A RTA	Aggravated Driving A Motor Vehicle Without Due Care	2
S102 MVA	A Second Or Subsequent Offence Of Driving An Uninsured Motor Vehicle	22
S19AC CLCA	Dangerous Driving To Escape Police	14
S44B RTA	Misusing A Motor Vehicle	18
S45A RTA	Speeding By More Than 45 Km/h Over The Speed Limit	1
S46 RTA	Misusing A Motor Vehicle	11
S47 RTA	Driving Recklessly Or At A Speed In A Manner Dangerous To The Public	12
S47B RTA	Driving Under The Influence	99
S47BA RTA	Driving Whilst Having Prescribed Concentration Of Alcohol In The Blood	10
S47E(3) RTA	Driving With Prescribed Drug In Oral Fluid Or Blood	15
S47E(3a) RTA	Refuse Alco/BA	1
S47EAA(9) RTA	Refuse Alco/BA With Child In Vehicle	8
S74 (2) MVA	Driving Unlicensed Where Never Having Held A Licence To Drive A Certain Class Of Motor Vehicle	87
S74 (2a) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Being Previously Disqualified For A Serious Drink Driving Offence	18
S74 (2ab) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Previously Being Disqualified For A Drink Driving Offence	11
S74 (2ac) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Previously Being Disqualified For A Drug Driving Offence	49
S9 MVA	A Second Or Subsequent Offence Of Driving An Unregistered Motor Vehicle	36
S91(5a) MVA	Driving Whilst Disqualified	225
Grand Total	Number Of Offences Committed	640
	Number Of Vehicles Destroyed*	567*

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Impoundable Offences / Destroyed Vehicles – Year 2022

Act (Reason)	Offence Name	Total
19ADA	Extreme Speed	10
Agg S45A RTA	Aggravated Driving A Motor Vehicle Without Due Care	5
S102 MVA	A Second Or Subsequent Offence Of Driving An Uninsured Motor Vehicle	31
S17AA SOA	Misusing A Motor Vehicle On Private Land	1
S19AB CLCA	Leaving The Scene Of An Accident After Causing Death Or Harm By The Careless Use Of A Vehicle	1
S19AC CLCA	Dangerous Driving To Escape Police	18
S44B RTA	Misusing A Motor Vehicle	31
S45A RTA	Speeding By More Than 45 Km/h Over The Speed Limit	3
S46 RTA	Misusing A Motor Vehicle	23
S47 RTA	Driving Recklessly Or At A Speed In A Manner Dangerous To The Public	27
S47B RTA	Driving Under The Influence	153
S47BA RTA	Driving Whilst Having Prescribed Concentration Of Alcohol In The Blood	25
S47E(3) RTA	Driving With Prescribed Drug In Oral Fluid Or Blood	30
S47E(3a) RTA	Refuse Alco/BA	1
S47EAA(9) RTA	Refuse Alco/BA With Child In Vehicle	2
S47I RTA	Refuse Blood From Crash (Including Child In Vehicle)	1
S54 SOA	Emitting Excessive Noise From A Vehicle By Amplified Sound Equipment Or Other Device	1
S74 (2) MVA	Driving Unlicensed Where Never Having Held A Licence To Drive A Certain Class Of Motor Vehicle	132
S74 (2a) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Being Previously Disqualified For A Serious Drink Driving Offence	21
S74 (2ab) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Previously Being Disqualified For A Drink Driving Offence	11
S74 (2ac) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Previously Being Disqualified For A Drug Driving Offence	99
S85 CLCA	Damaging Property By The Marking Of Graffiti	1
S9 MVA	A Second Or Subsequent Offence Of Driving An Unregistered Motor Vehicle	55
S91(5a) MVA	Driving Whilst Disqualified	342
S9GraffitiCtrlAct	Marking Graffiti	1
Grand Total	Number Of Offences Committed	1025
	Number Of Vehicles Destroyed*	914*

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Impoundable Offences / Destroyed Vehicles – Year to date 2023

Act (Reason)	Offence Name	Total
19ADA	Extreme Speed	4
Agg S45A RTA	Aggravated Driving A Motor Vehicle Without Due Care	3
S102 MVA	A Second Or Subsequent Offence Of Driving An Uninsured Motor Vehicle	9
S19AC CLCA	Dangerous Driving To Escape Police	14
S44B RTA	Misusing A Motor Vehicle	12
S45ARTA	Speeding By More Than 45 Km/h Over The Speed Limit	1
S46 RTA	Misusing A Motor Vehicle	17
S47 RTA	Driving Recklessly Or At A Speed In A Manner Dangerous To The Public	6
S47B RTA	Driving Under The Influence	37
S47BA RTA	Driving Whilst Having Prescribed Concentration Of Alcohol In The Blood	10
S47BRTA	Driving With Prescribed Drug In Oral Fluid Or Blood	2
S47E(3) RTA	Refuse Alco/BA	13
S47E(3a)RTA	Refuse Alco/BA With Child In Vehicle	1
S47EAA(9) RTA	Refuse Alco/BA With Child In Vehicle	3
S47EAA(9a) RTA	Refuse Drug Screen/OFA/Blood With Child In Vehicle	1
S47RTA	Driving Recklessly Or At A Speed In A Manner Dangerous To The Public	2

Act (Reason)	Offence Name	Total
S74 (2) MVA	Driving Unlicensed Where Never Having Held A Licence To Drive A Certain Class Of Motor Vehicle	55
S74 (2a) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Being Previously Disqualified For A Serious Drink Driving Offence	15
S74 (2ab) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Previously Being Disqualified For A Drink Driving Offence	4
S74 (2ac) MVA	Driving Unlicensed After Previously Being Disqualified For A Drug Driving Offence	37
S9 MVA	A Second Or Subsequent Offence Of Driving An Unregistered Motor Vehicle	17
S91(5a) MVA	Driving Whilst Disqualified	144
Grand Total	Number Of Offences Committed	407
	Number Of Vehicles Destroyed*	360*

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Total Vehicles Destroyed – 2020 to YTD

Year	Amount
2020	530
2021	567
2022	914
2023 YTD	360
Total	2371

Please note: The owner of an impounded vehicle has 28 days to collect their vehicle or request the vehicle be destroyed. If the vehicle is not collected within 10 days or a voluntary destruction notice is not received, a disposal letter is sent to the registered owner stating they have 7 days to collect. Following the total 45 day period, the Commissioner may dispose of the vehicle.

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-Log-Policy.pdf. If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing by 11 December 2023.

Yours sincerely



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