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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/016851/A

I write in connection with your request for information dated 08/05/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information for the years 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026 to date

- 1. Please provide the number of UK drivers who were caught driving with an expired driving licence, broken down by calendar years 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026 in your force area***
- 2. Please provide the number of police penalties (including fines, points, or prosecution) issued to drivers who were driving with an expired driving licence broken down by calendar years 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026 in your force area***

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information and I can confirm some of the information requested is held by GMP.

Question 1.

GMP do not hold the number of drivers “**caught**” driving with an expired driving licence. This information would only be held once the offence has been processed.

Question 2.

Driving with an expired licence may result in a fixed penalty but it is not an offence in its own right and would fall under the overarching offence of “Driving otherwise than in accordance with licence”.

The total amount of offences processed by the CTO by way of the fixed penalty procedure for the offence of Driving otherwise than in accordance with licence are shown overleaf. However, we do not record the specifics of the offence so we cannot advise how many of the notices would have been

issued for the specific reason of expired licences. (We would not hold information on cases that have proceeded directly to court.)

OFFENCE	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Drive a motor vehicle otherwise than in accordance with a licence - non-endorsable offence	5	9	2	4	2
Drive a motor vehicle otherwise than in accordance with a licence - endorsable offence	600	810	1234	1430	492