

Wednesday, 02 September 2026

Our ref: 01/FOI/26/017484/B

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/26/017484/B

I write in connection with your request for information dated 19/08/2026, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

- 1. How many employees do you have with a basic / A to B driving permit? Please break down by warranted officer / staff, if relevant?*
- 2. Does your force conduct a driving check test, highway code test or anything else prior to allowing a basic permit?*
- 3. How many employees do you have with a standard driving permit? Please break down by warranted officer / staff, if relevant?*
- 4. How many employees do you have with an advanced driving permit? Please break down by warranted officer / staff, if relevant?*
- 5. How many officers do you have with an initial phase pursuit driving permit?*
- 6. How many officers do you have with full pursuit management / TPAC driving permit?*

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by Greater Manchester Police.

Caveat: The Figures provided show the number of officers who are in date within the system as of the 28/08/2026.

1. 6,056 GMP Employees have Basic Driving Qualifications (5,332 Officers / 724 Staff)
2. We conduct a practical driving assessment on all basic drivers, in both cars and cat B vans, we don't undertake any highway code or other theory tests.
3. 4,403 GMP Employees have Standard Driving Qualifications (4,386 Officers / 17 Staff)
4. 581 GMP Employees have Advanced Driving Qualifications (568 Officers / 13 Staff)
5. 930 GMP Employees have IPP Qualifications
6. 127 GMP Employees have IPP Qualifications