



POLICY	Issue: 2.0
Stop and Search & Stop and Account	Date: 24/11/2010

Policy Statement

The Civil Nuclear Constabulary (the Constabulary) is committed to ensuring that it has policies and procedures in place which ensure the fair treatment of people and avoid discrimination against any group or individual, regardless of their race, ethnicity, gender, age, religion, disability or sexual orientation.

Officers of the Constabulary, in the course of carrying out their duties and contractual obligations may need to stop and question a person or exercise their police powers including stopping and searching a person or vehicle. Conducting such activities are important measures in the detection and prevention of crime, which includes countering terrorist activity.

The Constabulary will ensure, as far as is reasonably possible, that its processes and procedures provide appropriate guidance and training for its Police Officers that will ensure their exercise of powers is carried out in a manner which is proportionate, legal, accountable and necessary, thereby ensuring that an individual's Human Rights are observed.

This policy and any other relevant enacted or associated documents will be reviewed in accordance with the Constabulary's document review process and, when necessary, takes account of any changes in legislation and any ancillary Codes of Practice, Regulations and national guidance e.g. circulars issued by the Home Office / Scottish Executive Office and Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) / ACPO Scotland (ACPOS).

The recording and storage of any information obtained during searches and encounters by the Constabulary's officers will be compliant with data protection provisions and will be managed in accordance with ACPO Manual of Guidance on the Management of Police Information (MOPI).

Aims of the Policy

To ensure that when its Officers are carrying out their duties and exercising their powers:-

- The Constabulary's gains and maintains the confidence of the community and stakeholders by demonstrating a fair and open use of police powers and;
- Officers comply with the law and act fairly, responsibly, with respect and without unlawful discrimination.

This policy is deemed suitable for public disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

This policy is not currently enacted by further management system documents.

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