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I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 230645.

You requested the following information. Please also see our response below:

I am looking to find out if your service accepts blue light driving qualification from police services for staff to be authorised to drive B Category vehicle on blue lights or do they have to do an in house ambulance driving course?

No. At this time, the trusts policy currently only accepts the recognised ambulance specific Emergency driving qualification, by Future Quals, Pearsons IHCD or historic continuous employment NHSTA driving cert.

SECAmb teaches the accredited Future Quals Level 3 CERAD. For B category vehicles, all staff must hold the current recognised emergency driving qualification as per our trust policies.

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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