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Email:

Dear,

The trust acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) request, referenced above. Please ensure you quote this number in any future correspondence.

### **FOI Request**

You asked us:

**I am doing a study into the educational importance of major incident training for student paramedics - I am looking specifically for how many major incidents your trust has declared in the last 2 years (01/10/2023-01/10/2025) and if possible broken down into incident type, ie natural disaster, bombing, MTFA incident, RTC etc.**

**The data I have been sourcing online is conflicting with NHS reporting not seeming to include several known high profile major incidents, such as the Manchester arena bombing for example.**

**This data will be used to formulate my post graduate thesis on simulation based major incident training.**

### **Formal Response**

The Trust confirms it holds the information you have requested.

Between 01/10/2023 and 01/10/2025, South East Coast Ambulance Service responded to the following incidents:

Major Incident Standby: 12  
Major Incident Declared: 4



These are broken down as follows:

RTC: 8

Fire: 3

Maritime: 1

HAZMAT/CBRN: 3

Flooding: 1

### **Next steps**

Please note you will be able to source a lot of information which is made available on our website.

Should you be dissatisfied with our response then in the first instance please contact Richard Banks, Head of Corporate Governance, via the following email address:

[FOI@secamb.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI@secamb.nhs.uk)

You can ask us to review our original response. If you would like us to carry out an internal review, please let us know within 40 working days of you receiving our original response. This review will be conducted by an individual who was not directly involved in reviewing the original response, ordinarily, the Trust Data Protection Officer.

We will endeavour to complete this request within 20 working days.

Should you remain dissatisfied then you can contact the [Information Commissioner's Office](#) (ICO). Complaints to the ICO should be made within six weeks of receiving the outcome of an internal review. The easiest way to lodge a complaint is through their website: [www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints](http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints).

Alternatively, the ICO's postal address is:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

**Freedom of Information Coordinator  
South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust**



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