

South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust

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Email:

Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/16/01/02

You requested the following information:

Please find attached our most recent fleet list.

I have to advise that I am unable to issue number plates and fleet numbers as this is information that is not suitable for the public domain due to the exemption under s38 of the FOIA – Health and Safety.

s38(1)(a)(b): Health and Safety – To avoid endangering the physical or mental health of any individual or the safety of any individual (whether staff, patients or members of the public) if Trust vehicles could be identified or duplicated by other individuals.

The fleet numbers and registration numbers have been removed to protect the Trust from fraudulent use of this information i.e. acts of terrorism and vehicle cloning as these are unique identifiers for our vehicles. Although the bases have been included in the list these can change as vehicles are moved around where required to meet patient demand.

This decision has been reached having undertaken a 'public interest test'. This test involves SECAmb as a public authority deciding whether in relation to a request for information, it best serves the interests of the public either to disclose the information or to maintain an exemption in respect of the information requested.

Having considered opposing factors it has been decided that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. Therefore I have to advise that I am unable to supply you with the details of the number plates and fleet numbers under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am sorry that I cannot be more helpful on this occasion.



I hope you find this information helpful.

If, for whatever reason you are unhappy with our response, you are entitled to pursue any dissatisfaction through South East Coast Ambulance NHS Foundation Trust's (SECAmb) Internal Review Procedure at:

South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust 40-42 Friars Walk Lewes East Sussex BN7 2XW Email:complaints@secamb.nhs.uk

Should you remain unhappy with the outcome of any such internal review, you may request a decision from the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me, quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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

