



## BERMUDA POLICE SERVICE

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Samantha Strangeways  
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Dear Ms. Strangeways,

Further to your application in accordance with the Public Access to Information Act, in which you asked for;

- A copy of the Bermuda Police Service policy on the use of pepper spray

I can confirm that the Bermuda Police Service holds records relating to your request and a copy of the policy in relation to Captor incapacitant spray is enclosed.

You will note that there have been redactions made to the copy provided to you. The Public Access to Information Act allows for certain exemptions to be applied to records held by a public authority. In this instance, there are portions of the policy which would likely '*disclose methods or procedures for preventing, detecting, investigating, or dealing with matters arising out of breaches or evasions of the law, the disclosure of which would prejudice, or could reasonably be expected to prejudice, the effectiveness of those methods or procedures*'.

Those portions of the policy have therefore been redacted from the record in accordance with section 34 (1) (e) of the Act.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within six weeks of the date of receipt of this response and should be addressed to the Commissioner of Police.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

David Geraghty

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Information Officer  
Public Access to Information