

# Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service



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Dear Mr Johnson

## SCOTTISH PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION S5W-24485

The Cabinet Secretary in his response to the above PQ indicated that it related to operational matters within the responsibility of the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service corporate body. I am now writing in response to the matter raised.

**S5W-24485** asks: To ask the Scottish Government how many dogs have been ordered to be destroyed under the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 in each year since it came into force.

The information requested is set out in the table below.

Dog Destruction Orders imposed under the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991												
Year of Destruction Order	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Total
Number Issued	7	7	12	4	12	13	17	13	13	11	11	120

*The Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service uses a live operational case management system for the processing of court business. The information held on the system is structured for these operational needs rather than for statistical or research purposes. The information provided is based on the best information from the case management system as at 05/08/2019.*

A new case management system was introduced in 2008. Data prior to that date was recorded in a free text field on the previous system and is unable to be extracted.

The totals do not include the 62 Orders for Contingent Destruction of Dog that were issued during the period 2011/12 to 2018/19 as it is not possible to determine the subsequent outcomes of these orders.

A copy of this letter will be placed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre and published on the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service website.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'E' followed by a horizontal line that curves upwards at the end.

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