



Response Date:04/09/2026

2026/833 - Illegal streaming services and illegal IPTV services

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

I am requesting recorded information held by North Wales Police relating to investigations into suspected illegal streaming services and illegal IPTV services.

This request is limited to policies, procedures, agreements and aggregated information. It does not seek information relating to identifiable individuals, suspects, victims, intelligence sources, covert tactics, operational methods, or ongoing investigations.

For the purposes of this request, "third-party organisations" means non-police organisations representing or acting on behalf of rights holders, broadcasters, sporting organisations, content owners, or anti-piracy bodies.

1. Policies and arrangements involving third-party organisations

Please provide copies of any current policies, procedures, guidance documents, memoranda of understanding, partnership agreements or protocols held by North Wales Police which govern the involvement of third-party organisations in investigations concerning suspected illegal streaming services or illegal IPTV services.

2. Attendance of third-party organisations during search warrant activity

Between 1 January 2022 and the date of this request, please confirm whether representatives of third-party organisations have attended the execution of search warrants by North Wales Police relating specifically to suspected illegal streaming services or illegal IPTV services.

If such attendance has occurred, please provide:

- a) The organisation represented;**
- b) The number of occasions on which representatives of that organisation attended;**
- c) The recorded role or purpose of their attendance.**

This request does not seek the names, personal details, or identities of individual representatives.

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3. Disclosure or transfer of seized digital material to third-party organisations

Please provide copies of any policies, procedures or written guidance held by North Wales Police concerning the disclosure, transfer, or provision of access to digital material obtained during investigations concerning suspected illegal streaming services or illegal IPTV services to third-party organisations (as defined at the beginning of this request).

Please confirm whether, between 1 January 2022 and the date of this request:

- a) Physical seized exhibits, including computers, servers, phones, storage devices or other digital media, have been transferred to such third-party organisations or their representatives; and/or**
- b) Forensic images, extracted data, digital evidence copies, or other electronic material obtained from seized devices have been provided to such third-party organisations or their representatives.**

If such sharing has occurred, please provide any policy, procedure or written guidance governing such disclosure.

4. Search powers used in illegal streaming/IPTV investigations

Between 1 January 2022 and the date of this request, please provide the total number of search warrants executed by North Wales Police relating specifically to suspected illegal streaming services or illegal IPTV services.

For those warrants, please provide the statutory power(s) under which entry and search was authorised.

No information relating to individual addresses, suspects, investigations, intelligence, or operational activity is requested.

North Wales Police do not hold any information in relation to your request.

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