

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004

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Category of information requested	H&SC Delivery - Pharmacy			

Question/s to be answered

I am looking for information regarding the costs of removing and destroying prescription medicines that are returned unused/unopened to pharmacies.

As such, can I request the following for the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23?

1. The amount (in terms of quantity) of prescription medicines that are returned unused/unopened to pharmacies?
2. The annual costs of removing and destroying prescription medicine that are returned unused/unopened to pharmacies?

In accordance with FOISA s 17(1), NHS Shetland confirms that it does not hold the information requested. Unopened medicine waste is not counted or measured.