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Dear

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 30 January 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). I will respond to each part of your request in turn as follows:

I need the latest information or stats for motorcyclist accidents for 2023 and if possible 2022 and 2023.

In relation to motorcycle crash statistics, the data that you requested has been attached in the following spreadsheet:

Attachment 1 - 2022-2023 motorcycle and moped crash statistics.

The data in the spreadsheet should be read in conjunction with the caveats on the first page of the spreadsheet.

I also need information about a child being a pillion on a motorbike, is there any age restriction as to what age they are allowed to pillion and are there any legal requirements to let a 6-year-old child pillion on a motorbike?

There is no legal minimum age requirement for pillion passengers on motorcycles, but all pillion passengers must wear an approved helmet in accordance with Section 7.12 of the Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004.

In line with NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) policy, this response will soon be published on our website, with personal information removed.

If you would like to discuss this reply with NZTA, please contact us by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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