



WESTERN AUSTRALIA POLICE FORCE

MISUSE OF DRUGS ACT 1981 PART 4A

WA POLICE FORCE ANNUAL REPORT – 2022/2023

INTRODUCTION

Section 42A of the *Misuse of Drugs Act 1981* requires the Commissioner of Police to provide an annual report to the Minister for Police, containing information relating to Authorisations issued under Part 4A of the *Misuse of Drugs Act 1981*.

The Minister is required to cause the report to be laid before each House of Parliament no later than 12 sitting days of that House, after receiving the report.

The following extract of the *Misuse of Drugs Act 1981* relates to this annual reporting requirement.

Section 42A of the *Misuse of Drugs Act 1981*

Section 42A of the *Misuse of Drugs Act 1981* provides:

- (1) The Commissioner must give a report to the Minister that provides the following information for each financial year:
 - (a) The number of vehicle search authorisations and premises search authorisations issued during the financial year;
 - (b) The areas that were subject to a vehicle search authorisation;
 - (c) The premises that were subject to a premises search authorisation;
 - (d) The periods during which any authorisations had effect;
 - (e) The number of occasions when, as a result of the exercise of powers conferred by section 20G(2), a prohibited drug, prohibited plant or a controlled precursor was detected by a preliminary drug detection test;
 - (f) The number of occasions when, as a result of the exercise of powers conferred by section 20H(1), a prohibited drug, prohibited plant or controlled precursor was detected by a preliminary drug detection test;
 - (g) The number of occasions when, as a result of the exercise of powers conferred by section 20I(2)(e), a prohibited drug, prohibited plant or controlled precursor was detected;
 - (h) A statement of any defect or irregularity identified in relation to a vehicle search authorisation or premises search authorisation.

INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 42A OF THE MISUSE OF DRUGS ACT 1981

- 1. The number of vehicle search authorisations and premises search authorisations issued during the financial year: 2021/2022¹:**

AUTHORISATIONS	NUMBER
Vehicle Search Authorisations	8
Premises Search Authorisations	13
TOTAL	21

- 2. The areas that were subject to a vehicle search authorisation and the periods during which those authorisations had effect²:**

DRUG DETECTION AREA DESCRIPTION	DATE FROM	TIME FROM	DATE TO	TIME TO
600 metres north and 600 metres south of the intersection of Albany Highway and the North Bannister-Wandering Road North Bannister	29 September 2022	1400hrs	30 September 2022	0001hrs
Intersection of Brand Highway and Coorow-Green Head Road, Eneabba (GPS co-ordinate: - 30.032690511245974,	29 September 2022	1400hrs	30 September 2022	0001hrs
Indian Ocean Drive, Lancelin, Karakin and Ledge Point (115.38083 - 31.03242 / 115.39603 - 31.0687)	30 December 2022	0700hrs	2 January 2023	2359hrs
South bound lanes of Forrest Highway Myalup adjacent to the Puma Settlers Roadhouse, south to the intersection f Forestry Rod Myalup.	20 January 2023	1700hrs	23 January 2023	0100hrs
Centre point of the Inggarda covered parking area, located at GPS co-ordinates -25.21810, 113.88805, extending a distance of 1 km along the North West Coastal Highway in each direction from this point, and to a distance of 250 metres on each side of the highway	27 March 2023	0001hrs	30 March 2023	2359hrs
South Western Highway from Graphite Road, north to 100m north of Manjin Drive.	28 April 2023	1600hrs	30 April 2023	0100hrs

¹ Section 42A(1)(a) Misuse of Drugs Act 1981

² Section 42A(1)(b) and (d) Misuse of Drugs Act 1981

Coalfields Road Allanson from Rose Road East to Pastone Road	30 June 2023	1400hrs	1 July 2023	2359hrs
Eyre Highway Norseman Northern Boundary 121.811001, -32.146226 Southern Boundary 121.783505, -32.183964 ***Authorised but not actioned***	22 May 2023	0600hrs	28 May 2023	1800hrs

3. The premises that were subject to a premises search authorisation and the periods during which those authorisations had effect³:

BUSINESS NAME	PREMISES ADDRESS	DATE FROM	TIME FROM	DATE TO	TIME TO
GKR Transport	80-82 Dowd Street, Welshpool	10 January 2023	0600hrs	10 January 2023	2359hrs
GKR Transport	80-82 Dowd Street, Welshpool	12 January 2023	0600hrs	12 January 2023	2359hrs
Pack and Send	Unit 1/5 Parkes St Cockburn Central	19 January 2023	0600hrs	19 January 2023	2359hrs
Pack and Send	Unit 4/47 McCoy Street Myaree	19 January 2023	0600hrs	19 January 2023	2359hrs
Border Express	325 Treasure Road N Welshpool	24 January 2023	0600hrs	24 January 2023	2359hrs
CTI Logistics	23 Miles Road Kewdale	6 February 2023	0600hrs	6 February 2023	2359hrs
DHL	9 Dawson Road Perth Airport	15 February 2023	0800hrs	15 February 2023	2359hrs
Land Transport	36 Stebbing Road, Maddington	24 February 2023	0600hrs	24 February 2023	2359hrs
Direct Freight Express	1 Intermodal Place Kenwick	21 March 2023	0600hrs	21 March 2023	2359hrs
Mainfreight Transport	1179 Abernathy Road, High Wycombe	27 April 2023	0600hrs	27 April 2023	2359hrs
XPress Freight Management	21 Carolyn Way, Forrestfield	29 May 2023	0600hrs	29 May 2023	2359hrs
CTI Logistics Interstate	23 Miles Road Kewdale	23 June 2023	0700hrs	23 June 2023	2359hrs
CTI Logistics Interstate ***Authorised but not actioned***	23 Miles Road Kewdale	26 June 2023	0600hrs	26 June 2023	2359hrs

³ Section 42A(1)(c) and (d) Misuse of Drugs Act 1981

4. The number of occasions when, as a result of the exercise of powers conferred by Section 20G(2), 20H(1) 20I(2)(e), a prohibited drug, prohibited plant or a controlled precursor was detected by a preliminary drug detection test⁴:

METHOD OF DETECTION	NUMBER
A preliminary drug detection test conducted in a vehicle in a drug detection area	46
A preliminary drug detection test conducted on the driver or passenger of a vehicle in a drug detection area	7
A preliminary drug detection test conducted on a person who a police officer has reasonable grounds to suspect has recently left the vehicle that is, or was, in a drug detection area	0
The opening and examination of a consigned article in premises subject to an authorisation, after a preliminary drug detection test has produced a positive result in relation to that article	1
TOTAL	54

5. Any statement of defect or irregularity in relation to a vehicle or premises search authorisation⁵:

Nil

In addition to the legislative requirements of Section 42A of the Misuse of Drugs Act, the following statistics (01/07/2022 to 30/06/2023) are provided for consideration:

VEHICLES	
Vehicles Stopped	6189
Vehicles Searched	217
Vehicles Searched @ K9 detection	167

SEIZURES	
Methylamphetamine	19 grams
Cannabis	525.5 grams
Number of Cannabis Plants	6
MDMA	11x caplets
Heroin	0
Cocaine	0
Synthetic Cannabis	0
LSD tabs	0
Other Drugs	9x cannabis seeds 69x Dexamphetamine tabs 0.1 grams Ketamine 4 grams DMT 240,000 illegal cigarettes

⁴ Section 42A(1)(e), (f) and (g) Misuse of Drugs Act 1981

⁵ Section 42A(1)(h) Misuse of Drugs Act 1981

Smoking Implements	47
Pre-cursors type and quantity	0
Cash Seized	\$42,545.00

<u>OMCG PRESENCE</u>	5x Coffin Cheaters 2x Comanchero
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<u>CHARGES</u>	
Possess Cannabis	42
Possess Methylamphetamine	8
Possess Other Drug	5
Possess Drug Paraphernalia	35
Possess with intent to sell/supply Methylamphetamine	1
Possess with intent to sell/supply other Drug	2
Unlawful Possession	3
Other Offences	24
<u>TRAFFIC STATISTICS</u>	
RBTS	6189
Cautions Other	86
Infringements	74
Work Orders	17
No Authority To Drive (vehicle seizures)	8
Drug Swipes Carried Out	204

**Source of Data – Registers maintained by the Drug and Firearms Squad on behalf of the Serious and Organised Crime Division.*

*** Data Extracted – as at 10/08/2023*

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COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

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