



2 April 2013

Mr David Burgess
by email

Dear David

Thank you for your Official Information Act request seeking information relating to speed detection equipment operated by New Zealand Police. Responses to your specific questions are detailed below. I have included copies of the relevant manuals as requested.

(1) What are the differences between the NZ and International Units?

See the attached document titled "2003 Nov New Zealand Police DSR Radar Specifications". The matters detailed in that document describe how the NZ model differs from other Stalker DSR models.

(2) Why were the changes made - what was the reason for NZ to have a different model to overseas users ?

New Zealand Police sought a simple to operate device that did not allow officers to alter settings adhoc. This ensures that all devices are operated with uniform settings nationally, minimising opportunity to inadvertently change a critical setting or feature.

(3) Can I please have user manuals and police instructions for the deployment and use of the speed measuring equipment that is used in New Zealand ?

I have included copies of the following manuals with this letter;


- Stalker DSR Manual
- Stalker Dual Manual
- Stalker LIDAR Manual
- DUT 244 Speed Detection

(3) Is equipment used in New Zealand given an independent test by Industrial Research or some other agency before it is deployed in New Zealand ? If so, can I please have copies of their reports ?

The Measurement Standards Laboratory of New Zealand (MSLNZ) provide oversight and guidance in testing of any speed enforcement equipment considered for use by New Zealand Police. Police will not employ equipment that contravenes advice offered by MSL. MSL also contribute to policy direction on operating principles for said equipment. On your behalf, I have approached MSLNZ for a copy of the report relating to the Stalker brand speed detection equipment that they would be willing possibly release. NZ Police does not currently hold these reports.

You have the right, under s 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Stables', written in a cursive style.

Mark Stables
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Manager: Police Calibration Services