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Tēnā koe **s 9(2)(a) OIA**

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request dated 17 December 2025. I have answered each of your questions below:

How many Armourers does Police/FSA employ/contract for the purpose of assessing firearm import samples?

There are currently nine Armourers employed by Police; however, none are employed solely for assessing firearm import samples on behalf of the Firearms Safety Authority (FSA). This responsibility forms part of their broader role, by agreement with Police.

What is the rolling amount of these armourers from year to year from 1st of January between 2019 and 2024?

During this period Police/FSA engaged one casual Armourer to assess firearm import samples. They were engaged between July 2020 and July 2025.

For your information, Police has developed a process for proactive release of information, so the anonymised response to your request may be publicly released on the New Zealand Police website.

Nāku noa, nā



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