



**REQUEST 17836**

**RESPONSE**

In relation to each of the questions asked, please take any reference to 'WATEO' to mean:

- The Welfare of Animals (Transport) (England) Order 2006

In relation to each of the questions asked, please take any reference to 'WATOK' to include:

- The Welfare of Animals at the Time of Killing (England) Regulations 2015

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| 1. Which department or agency is responsible for the enforcement of a) WATEO and b) WATOK?  | 1. Wigan Council – Trading Standards Service.  |
| 2. What roles within the authority are designated to enforce a) WATEO and b) WATOK, and what formal training, if any, is provided to those roles to ensure the Council's enforcement obligations are fulfilled? | 2. Trading Standards Officers – Training provided through the Chartered Trading Standards Institute. |
| 3. Does the authority hold any records on the number of decapod crustaceans transported within or into the authority since 2022? If so, please provide available figures, broken down by year.                  | 3. 2022 – 1<br>2023 – 0<br>2024 – 0<br>2025 – 0  |
| 4. Does the authority maintain a register or licensing scheme for businesses selling live decapods? If so, how many businesses are currently registered?  | 4. No  |
| 5. Since 2022, how many reports has the authority received that relate to potential offences under Article 4 of WATEO? Please provide separate figures for each year.   | 5. 2022 – 1<br>2023 – 1<br>2024 – 1<br>2025 – 1  |
| 6. Since 2022, how many reports has the authority received that relate to potential offences under Schedule 4 of WATOK? Please provide separate figures for each year.  | 6. 0   |
| 7. Does the authority have any policies relating to the sale of live decapods on Council-owned land, including markets.   | 7. No  |
| 8. Has the authority issued any guidance relating to adherence to a) WATEO and b) WATOK for i) Officers responsible for inspections and enforcement or ii) businesses subject to the regulations?               | 8. No  |