

PE1876/NN: Accurately record the sex of people charged or convicted of rape or attempted rape

Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service written submission, 30 January 2026

I refer to your Assistant Clerk's letter dated 17 December 2025 to my office.

I can confirm that COPFS would not retrospectively alter any records held on our case management system in relation to the sex of an accused person.

The only exception to this would be in circumstances where Police Scotland notify us of an error in information sent to COPFS. In such circumstances, the record would be amended to ensure the accuracy of the information held by COPFS.

I trust that this information is of assistance.

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