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Thank you for your Freedom of Information (Fol) request received on 29 May. You wrote:

Please provide me with the following information under the Freedom of Information Act.

1. How many erectile dysfunction pills have been seized by the MHRA in the first five months of 2026 (January to May?)

1a) Of these, how many were legitimate pills/brands and how many were deemed to be fake pills/brands?

If it is not possible to provide some of the data requested, I would be grateful if you could provide whichever elements of this FOI request are eligible for release.

MHRA Response

We confirm that we hold the information you have requested.

1. The MHRA, working in conjunction with law enforcement partners, has seized approximately 1.9 million doses of erectile dysfunction medicine between 1 January and 31 May 2026.

1a. According to our records the seized medicines do not hold a valid marketing authorisation in the UK. They are therefore classed as unauthorised medicines under the Human Medicines Regulations 2012.

If you plan to use this information for media publication purposes, you should contact our news centre who can provide any additional context or comment. You can contact them on 020 3080 7651 or by email at newscentre@mhra.gov.uk.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact us quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

MHRA Central Freedom of Information Team
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