

## SPSO decision report

**Case:** 201407818, Scottish Prison Service  
**Sector:** Scottish Government and devolved administration  
**Subject:** transfer to another prison  
**Outcome:** not upheld, no recommendations

### Summary

Mr C wanted to be transferred to the prison nearest his home for family reasons, and he complained that the Scottish Prison Service (SPS) had not taken his family circumstances into account in dealing with his transfer request. We found that the SPS were aware of Mr C's family circumstances and had discussed them with him. However, the SPS had also explained to Mr C the reasons why a transfer to his local prison was unlikely. There was no evidence that the SPS had failed to follow relevant procedures. We did not uphold Mr C's complaint.