

Remember to apply for compensation for deprivation of liberty if charges are dropped!

In principle, compensation must be granted if you have been arrested or detained and you are not guilty of the charge brought by the prosecution, and the court has therefore acquitted you. Here is a guide:

Write the following to kbh@politi.dk (if it is in Copenhagen, otherwise find e-mail at the given police district):

“Hey police

I have been acquitted in a case (date of incident) with case number: xxx

I would like to ask for compensation for having been deprived of my liberty. The compensation must bear interest.”

Only in the case of a strip search:

"I would also like to complain and seek compensation for the strip search/body examination that involved complete undressing that I was subjected to during my detention.

I believe it was completely out of proportion to search me in that way, as I was neither under the influence of alcohol, drugs nor aggressive in any way. I was detained during a peaceful demonstration and everything went smoothly between the police and me.

Regards Full name, address”

Attach documents from Copenhagen City Court on acquittal.