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Man fined \$560 for farting at police – 20th June, 2020

Level 0

A man in Austria was fined for farting. The man was sitting on a bench. Police officers went to him. The man got up, looked at the officers, and let out a massive fart in front of the officers. The police gave the man a fine for anti-social behaviour. They said the man farted loudly in front of them.

The man got a fine of \$560. If he does not pay it, he could go to prison. The police said the man was doing other annoying things. He was behaving badly and upsetting other people. They said the man only wanted to do one thing when he stood up. That thing was to fart at the police.

Level 1

A man in Austria has been fined for farting. The man was sitting on a bench in Vienna. The police tweeted about what happened after police officers went to the man. They wrote: "He rose slightly from the park bench, looked at the officers, and apparently intentionally released a massive fart in the immediate [area] of the officers." The police gave the man a fine for anti-social behaviour by farting loudly in front of them.

The man got a fine of about \$560. If he does not pay it, he could go to prison. The police said it was right to give the fine because the man was doing other annoying things. He was misbehaving and upsetting other people. They said the man only had one thing on his mind when he stood up in front of police officers. That thing was to fart at them. The officers said he released a "massive" fart, and he meant it.

Level 2

A man in Austria has been fined for "farting loudly in front of police officers". The man was sitting on a bench in Austria's capital Vienna. The police tweeted about the man's actions. They described what happened after police officers went to the man. They wrote: "He rose slightly from the park bench, looked at the officers, and apparently intentionally released a massive fart in the immediate [area] of the officers." The police gave the man a fine for "violating public decency by loudly blowing a bowel in front of police officers". The fine was also for making an upsetting noise.

The man got a fine of 500 euro – about \$560. If he does not pay it within five days, he could go to prison. The police defended their actions. They said it was right to give the fine because the man was doing other annoying things before he farted. Police officers say he was misbehaving and behaving in a way that would upset other people. They said the man only had one thing on his mind when he stood up in front of police officers, and that was to fart at them. The officers said he, "let go a massive intestinal wind apparently with full intent".

Level 3

A man in Austria has been fined for a very unusual act. His "crime" was "farting loudly in front of police officers". The unnamed man was sitting on a bench in Austria's capital Vienna. The Vienna Police Department tweeted earlier this week about the man's actions. It described what happened after police officers approached the man. It wrote: "He rose slightly from the park bench, looked at the officers, and apparently intentionally released a massive fart in the immediate vicinity of the officers." The police immediately gave the man a fine. The offence was for "violating public decency by loudly blowing a bowel in front of police officers". It was also for making, "an unduly disturbing noise".

The fine issued to the man is for 500 euro – about \$560. If the man does not pay the fine within five days, he could go to prison for five days. The Austrian police have defended their actions and say the officers were right to issue the fine. A spokesperson said the man had been doing other annoying things before he farted. The police officers who issued the fine said the man was misbehaving. They said that he had been behaving in a way that would upset other people. The spokesperson said the man only had one thing on his mind when he stood up in front of police officers, and that was to fart at them. The officers said he, "let go a massive intestinal wind apparently with full intent".