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## Freedom of Information: Right to know request.

Thank you for your request for information about amateur radio callsign complete spreadsheet.

We received this request on 12 December 2023 and have considered it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the Act").

### Your request and our response

#### *Reason for Request:*

*On November 24, 2023 you responded to Andrew Robinsons Fol request for the Amateur Radio Callsign Spreadsheet, see [https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/callsign\\_allocation\\_data](https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/callsign_allocation_data)*

*The Callsign Spreadsheet you released on November 24 was significantly different from the one you released, on the second attempt, on August 18, 2023. The August one was a complete callsign spreadsheet containing over 150,000 rows,*

*see <https://www.ofcom.org.uk/data/assets/file/0027/266625/Copy-of-Call-Sign-List-18-08-2023.xlsx>*

*whereas the November 24 spreadsheet only had some 108,000 rows.*

*I am therefore submitting this Fol request to get the complete information.*

#### *Start of Fol Request:*

*Please supply a copy of the amateur radio callsign spreadsheet containing the following information fields on each Row:*

- \* Callsign*
- \* Product (Note this can be either BLANK, Amateur Foundation Radio Licence, Amateur Intermediate Radio Licence, Amateur Full Radio Licence, Amateur Club Radio Licence, or any other amateur radio Product identifier you may use)*
- \* Status (usually Allocated, Reserved or Available)*
- \* Type (usually Callsign - Amateur)*

*\* Last Modified Date*

*If for some reason you are unable you generate a spreadsheet with over 150,000 such as the one you released in August will you kindly provide an explanation as to why there is a difference.*

In August we were asked to provide a full list, providing the product, date modified etc. But in November we were asked for a list for the callsigns for the specific licence products: Full, Intermediate and Foundation. This would have therefore omitted any call signs where the product is not listed against and is instead blank.

Attached is the current list.

I hope this information is helpful. If you have any further queries, then please send them to [information.requests@ofcom.org.uk](mailto:information.requests@ofcom.org.uk) quoting the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

Information requests

If you are unhappy with the response you have received in relation to your request for information and/or consider that your request was refused without a reason valid under the law you may ask for an internal review. If you ask us for an internal review of our decision, it will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom.

The following outcomes are possible:

- the original decision is upheld; or
- the original decision is reversed or modified.

#### **Timing**

If you wish to exercise your right to an internal review **you should contact us within two months of the date of this letter**. There is no statutory deadline for responding to internal reviews and it will depend upon the complexity of the case. However, we aim to conclude all such reviews within 20 working days, and up to 40 working days in exceptional cases. We will keep you informed of the progress of any such review. If you wish to request an internal review, you should contact [information.requests@ofcom.org.uk](mailto:information.requests@ofcom.org.uk).

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Further information about this, and the internal review process can be found on the Information Commissioner's Office [here](#). Alternatively, the Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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