

Reference: 01742684

Information Requests
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Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information concerning the use of X.25 Data Network Identification Codes (DNICs). This request was received on 31 December 2023 and we have considered it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the “FOI Act”).

Your request

Having seen provision for X25 networks in the UK national dialling plan, how many current network operators avail themselves of the number range?

Our response

The [National Telephone Numbering Plan](#) (the Numbering Plan) provides for DNICs. This provision is set out in Part C2 of the Numbering Plan. DNICs are used to identify a particular X.25 Data Network and are followed by a 10-digit X.25 Data Network Number that forms the end-user’s address on an X.25 Data Network.

Ofcom, its predecessor Oftel, and before that BT, have all held responsibility for the allocation of DNICs at one point. Our records indicate they allocated such numbers in the past, however, it is difficult for us to determine from this information the current networks that hold allocations and/or use these numbers. To be helpful, we can confirm that Ofcom has received no requests for allocation of this numbering resource for at least ten years.

If you have any further queries, then please send them to information.requests@ofcom.org.uk quoting the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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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.

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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

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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