

Reference: 1903048

Information Requests information.requests@ofcom.org.uk

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Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information about amateur radio licences that have been surrendered or cancelled. We received this request on 7 October 2024 and we have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the FOI Act").

Your request

"I am trying to establish the number of amateur radio licences that have been surrendered or cancelled in the last 10 years and if available the number of these being due to the licence holder passing away.

If this information is not availale for the whole of the requested period, please furnish me any information you have."

Our response

We are able to supply some data where our records include a 'surrendered date' within the last 10 years. Please find the data below, including numbers where a licence holder has passed away. The 'other blank' figure represents records where we do not hold a surrendered reason on our system.

Row Labels	Count of Licence Number	
Customer cancelled		608
Deceased		1726
Ofcom cancelled		347
Other		
(blank)		1599
Grand Total		4280

We hope this information is helpful. 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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Request an internal review

If you are unhappy with the response you have received to your request for information, or think that your request was refused without a reason valid under the law, you may ask for an internal review. If you do, it will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom. We will either uphold the original decision, or reverse or modify it.

If you would like to ask us to carry out an internal review, you should get in touch within two months of the date of this letter. There is no statutory deadline for us to complete our internal review, and the time it takes will depend on the complexity of the request. But we will try to complete the review within 20 working days (or no more than 40 working days in exceptional cases) and keep you informed of our progress. Please email the Information Requests team (information.requests@ofcom.org.uk) to request an internal review.

Taking it further

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our internal review, then you have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office.