

Reference: 498903

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Freedom of Information: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information where you asked about re-issue of Amateur Radio Call Signs.

This was received by Ofcom on 26 November and it has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked:

Under the freedom of information act I would like to know the following.

Since 2010 until the date of this request how many full amateur radio call signs (T numbers) have been re- issued to another licensed person, i.e the call sign has been issued originally to a person which has subsequently been re-issued to another with their person or family person.

Please list these call signs and include the date of re-issue in year order.

*Typical call signs of interest will be in the format of G*XX, (* being a number).*

Please do not include club call signs.

In order to provide you with the list you have asked for, we have made certain assumptions. Where the previous and current call sign holders have the same name, we cannot easily tell whether these are call signs issued to returning hobbyists or happen to bequeath their call sign to a family member of the same name. These have been included.

There may also be instances where the same call sign has been assigned to the same person on 2 duplicate accounts. This is because of changes in our systems. We have undertaken a data cleansing exercise to merge many of these duplicate accounts.

Please find attached the list of Amateur Radio call signs re-issued since 2010, with the call sign and date of re-issue. Please note the original start date refers to the start date of the licence under which the call sign was re-issued.

If you have any queries, then please contact information.requests@ofcom.org.uk. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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If you are unhappy with the response or level of service you have received in relation to your request from Ofcom, you may ask for an internal review. If you ask us for an internal review of our decision, it will be treated as a formal complaint and will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom. We will acknowledge the complaint and inform you of the date by which you might expect to be told the outcome.

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 undertaking 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:

Steve Gettings
The Secretary to the Corporation
Ofcom
Riverside House
2a Southwark Bridge Road
London SE1 9HA

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. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF