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Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information about complaints received by Ofcom related to Adil Ray.

We received this request on 8 November 2025 and we have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Your request

- I would like information as to how many complaints ofcom have received in relation to Adil Rays interview on gmb with Alec Penatone on 7th November 2015.
- 2. Can you also confirm how many complaints ofcom have received in total during 2025 in relation to specifically Adil Ray

Our response

By way of background, complaints about broadcast standards are carefully assessed under Ofcom's Broadcasting Code ("the Code") which sets standards for programme content that all Ofcom licensees must follow. Individual complaints received by Ofcom are assigned to cases, and a case is opened when Ofcom is assessing a specific programme or issue and each case may consist of one or more complaints. In line with our published complaints procedures, we review every complaint we receive to consider whether it raises potentially substantive issues under the Code which warrant investigation by Ofcom. If we consider that these standards may have been breached, we will investigate. You can find decisions about complaints we have considered in Ofcom's Broadcast and On Demand Bulletin, published every fortnight on our website.

Turning to your request, in response to question 1, we have received 547 complaints about this issue, which has been reported in Ofcom's Broadcast Bulletin dated 1 December 2025.

In response to question 2, we do not categorise complaints on our case management system by presenter name. However, we have done a keyword search of our system from 1 January 2025 to the 10 November 2025 and there are 675 complaints that mention Adil Ray in the body of the complaint.

I hope this information is helpful.

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 (<u>information.requests@ofcom.org.uk</u>) 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.