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Information Requests  
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## Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information about prosecutions pertaining to use of radio apparatus. We received this request on 24 April 2025 and we have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the FOI Act").

### Your request and our response

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*I am seeking details of the following:*

*1) The number of prosecutions sought by OFCOM pertaining to the use of radio transmitters by a person or persons not holding the necessary license, particularly as it relates to Amateur radio (e.g. individuals using amateur radio transmitters without holding an amateur radio license).*

Please note our records only go back to 2018. There have been 2.

*2) The number of such prosecutions that were successful.*

There are 2.

*Ideally I would like the details for the entirety of the period during which OFCOM has managed the licensing of amateur radio, alternatively for as long a period as you are able to provide details.*

You may find information about our approach to spectrum compliance and enforcement via the following link [here](#) which may be helpful.

We 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,

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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](mailto: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](#).