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Dear

Thank you for your email of 23 November 2015 requesting the following information:

*"The number of hunts with dogs who are permitted on MOD property, together with the location and the names of such hunts*

*The cost for providing buildings, services, members of MOD staff and any other matters that enable these hunts access to MOD property, including the issuing of any permits or licencing of activities where packs of hounds are used for trail hunting or any similar activity.*

*The cost of any fees that hunts who have access to MOD land have to pay for the privilege.*

*Are hunts permitted to allow terriermen and their vehicles to accompany the hunts?*

*Are the hunts run by members of the armed forces or by ex members/civilians?"*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held. I have addressed each question separately.

*1. The number of hunts with dogs who are permitted on MOD property, together with the location and the names of such hunts.*

North Shropshire  
Tanatside  
Border Hunt  
Tynedale  
Bedale  
West of Yore  
Zetland  
Ullswater  
Blankney Hunt  
Essex & Suffolk

Nesscliffe  
Nesscliffe  
Otterburn  
Albemarle Barracks  
Catterick  
Catterick  
Catterick  
Warcop  
Beckingham  
Friday Woods Training Area

Surrey Union	Hankley Common
RMA Sandhurst	Sandhurst
Brecon & Talybont	Brecon
Sennybridge Farmers	Sennybridge
Irfon & Towy	Brecon
South Pembrokeshire	Templeton Airfield
Royal Artillery Hunt	Salisbury Plain Training Area
Tedworth	Salisbury Plain Training Area
East Kent	Hythe
Mendip Farmers	Yoxter Training Area
Spooners & West Dartmoor	Willsworthy Ranges
Lamerton	Willsworthy Ranges
Glyn Celyn Beagles	Brecon
The Palmer Marlborough Beagles	Salisbury Plain Training Area
The Wiltshire & Infantry Beagles	Salisbury Plain Training Area
The Catterick Beagles	Catterick
The Newcastle & District Beagles	Otterburn
The South Dorset Hunt	South Dorset

*2. The cost for providing buildings, services, members of MOD staff and any other matters that enable these hunts access to MOD property, including the issuing of any permits or licencing of activities where packs of hounds are used for trail hunting or any similar activity.*

None

*3. The cost of any fees that hunts who have access to MOD land have to pay for the privilege.*

The fee for the grant of this Licence is £75 plus VAT.

The fee for the preparation of this Licence is £100 plus VAT.

*4. Are hunts permitted to allow terriermen and their vehicles to accompany the hunts?*

Yes up to two vehicles may support the hunt but no digging out is permitted.

*5. Are the hunts run by members of the armed forces or by ex members/civilians?*

No

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that Hunts are not permitted access to any buildings or facilities nor are any staff involved in managing hunting fixtures. However, some staff time is spent drawing up the licences, although we are not able to quantify this cost.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact DIO Secretariat in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk)). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD

internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat