



Vehicle & Operator Services Agency

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Dear

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

I refer to your correspondence of 17<sup>th</sup> November 2010 requesting information, which we have dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Answers to your questions are copied below in **bold text**;

1. The current number of Designated Premises authorised - **245**
2. The current number of ATF's authorised - **28 (as at 29/11/10)**
3. The number of ATF's that were previously Designated Premises - **18 (as at 29/11/10)**
4. The total number of ATF applications received but not yet authorised - **46 New Build Applications**
5. The number of ATF applications received but not yet authorised from current designated Premises - **33 Conversion Applications**
6. The average cost to VOSA of undertaking a test at an ATF - **£51.43\***
7. The average cost to VOSA of undertaking a test at a Designated Premises - **£51.43\***
8. The average cost to VOSA of undertaking a test at a VOSA Test Station - **£60\***

\* VOSA does not account for cost of test based on location but have provided an estimate above. Our current systems do not allow us to capture either specific running cost per test, nor allocate proportion of fixed costs for each test. Note that these figures are averages, and cover a range of vehicle types including motorised vehicles as well as trailers. The statutory fees charged per test also include a proportion to cover the cost of enforcement activities (which are not included in the figures above). On average that amount is approximately £30 per test.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact us, quoting reference **F0002986**.

If you are unhappy with the response provided, you may ask for an internal review. To request an internal review, please write to:

VOSA Corporate Office,  
Berkeley House,  
Croydon Street,  
Bristol,  
BS5 0DA

or email [vosa.corporateoffice@vosa.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:vosa.corporateoffice@vosa.gsi.gov.uk)

giving the reasons for your dissatisfaction. It will help us if you quote the reference number for your case.

If you do not agree with the outcome of the internal review, you may lodge an appeal with the Information Commissioner ([www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk](http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk)). The Information Commissioner is an independent official appointed by the Crown to oversee the Data Protection Act 1998, the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

The Information Commissioner can consider complaints about any aspect of the way in which requests for information have been handled. Please note: the Information Commissioner would be unlikely to consider your complaint if you have not first requested an internal review.

You can write to the Information Commissioner at:

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

Yours sincerely

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