



Ministry  
of Defence

**Defence Safety and Environment  
Authority (DSEA)**

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Email: [REDACTED]

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Your Reference  
FOI- 27 September 2014  
Our Reference  
FOI2014/05418  
Date  
27 October 2014

Dear [REDACTED],

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

Thank you for your email of 27 September 2014 requesting the following information:

*“Will you please advise me of the following information:*

*The name and address of EVERY range the MOD have that may be used for shooting of:*

*.22 Rifles / Pistols  
Pistol Calibre Rifles and carbines  
Centre fire Rifles / Full bore rifles  
HME Rifles.*

*In particular please ensure that you provide details for any range in:*

*Lincolnshire, Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire, Yorkshire, Cambridgeshire, Staffordshire”*

We are 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 we can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held.

Please find attached an excel spreadsheet which details, by location, those Defence sites with military ranges including contact details for the officers who manage these ranges. The Defence Safety and Environment Authority assesses whether these Defence Sites operate within our policies, but it does not manage the activity carried out upon them, we do not have information on whether these ranges allow civilian shooting clubs to use their facilities as this is a decision which is made on a site by site basis or what weapon types can be used on which ranges.

We recommend that you speak to the range officer and discuss what the individual capabilities/allowances of the ranges are.

You may be interested in this link <https://www.gov.uk/public-access-to-military-areas> which will take you to the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) internet pages (DIO, is the MOD organisation which controls access to all MOD military areas in Great Britain for which civilians may have access to, including land ranges). The page has been organised into geographical clusters e.g. east, the midlands, and north England for easier searching.

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 me 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.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

DSEA Secretariat Group