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Dear [REDACTED]

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence dated 1st July 2016 requesting the following information concerning Royal Navy fitness testing:

1. 2007DIN07-076 – *Individuals competent to conduct Single Service Fitness Tests.*
2. 2013DIN07-102 – *Individuals competent to conduct single Service Physical Fitness & Swimming Tests and Assessments.*
3. *RNFT Policy and Protocols 2011*
4. *BR 51 Volume 2 - RNFT Policy and Protocols, Instructions and Guidance*

a. *Section 1 - Policy Statement including General Instructions.*

b. *Section 2 - Instructor Notes including the protocols and procedures for administering the RNFT; RNFT graded performance tables; briefs; recording sheets; Form RNFT 5; Defence Health Questionnaire (DHQ); JPA data input instructions; Command Guidance including Divisional responsibilities; and guidance to MOs.'*

Your enquiry has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held.

Taking your request for items of information in the order of which they are available, copies of 2007DIN-07-076 and 2013DIN07-102 concerning 'Individuals competent to conduct single Service Physical Fitness & Swimming Tests and Assessments together with Phase II and III Syllabused PEd training and the use of Endurance Team Leaders (ETLs)/Physical Training Leaders (PTLs)' are enclosed with this letter. Please note that 2007DIN-07-076 has been replaced by 2013DIN07-102.

With regard to your request for a copy of Section 1 (Policy) and Section 2 (Protocols) of BRd 51 Volume 2, Chapter 2 (dated July 2015), a copy is enclosed with this letter.

Please note that the personal information of any individuals listed in 2007DIN-07-076, 2013DIN07-102 and BRd 51 Volume 2 i.e. names and contact details of the main points of contact and sponsor contained within these three documents have been withheld (redacted) under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Personal Data.

Section 40(2) applies to personal data relating to third parties. The release of personal information relating to other individuals would contravene the principles of the Data Protection Act 1998, namely Principle 1 – personal data shall be processed fairly and lawfully and not unless certain specified conditions are met, and Principle 2 – personal data shall be obtained and processed only for specified and lawful purposes and not further processed in a manner incompatible with the purposes. In this instance, data has been provided for internal communication purposes and not with the expectation that it would be made public.

A search for a copy of Royal Navy Fitness Test (RNFT) Policy and Protocols 2011 has been conducted and unfortunately is not held by the Ministry of Defence, however, under Section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act – Duty to Provide Advice and Assistance, I am able to provide you with a hyperlink to the Royal Navy Fitness Test (RNFT) Policy and Protocols 2013 which superseded the 2011 version you have requested:

https://pdevportal.co.uk/assets/upload/ckfiles/bobsleigh/princes_trust/files/RNFT%20policy%20and%20protocols%202013%20-%20U.pdf

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, 2nd Floor, Zone N, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail 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

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