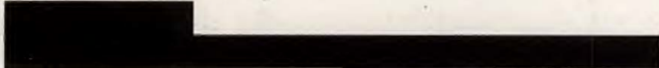




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Dear _ ,

Thank you for your e-mail of 6 July 2019 asking for Information about military aircraft out of service dates. Specifically, you requested the following information:

"I am seeking listing of retirement dates of all aircraft types by the military since 2000 to present. Please break it down by RAF, RN, Army and the applicable training schools."

I am treating your correspondence as requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). We have now completed a search of our paper and electronic records for the information you requested, and I can confirm that information within the scope of your request is held.


The MOD does not hold a centralised list of aircraft out of service dates. However, I attach a table showing aircraft types, the year they went out of service with the UK military and the relevant service. The table excludes Unmanned Aerial Vehicles and civilian contractor aircraft.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely



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| Type | Year | Service |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Wessex HC2 | 2003 | RAF |
| Sea King AEW Mk2 | 2004 | Royal Navy |
| Sea Harrier FA2 | 2006 | Royal Navy |
| Canberra PR9 & T4 | 2006 | RAF |
| Jaguar Gr3 & T2 | 2007 | RAF |
| Sea King HAS Mk6 | 2010 | Royal Navy |
| Gazelle AH 1 | 2010 | Royal Navy |
| Nimrod MR2 | 2010 | RAF |
| Harrier GR9 | 2011 | RAF/Royal Navy |
| Jetstream T2 | 2011 | Royal Navy |
| Tornado F3 | 2011 | RAF |
| Nimrod R1 | 2011 | RAF |
| Dominie T1 | 2011 | RAF |
| Hercules C-130K | 2011 | RAF |
| Lynx AH.7 | 2012 | Royal Navy |
| Lynx HAS.3 | 2013 | Royal Navy |
| Lynx AH.9 | 2013 | Royal Navy |
| VC10 | 2013 | RAF |
| Tristar | 2014 | RAF |
| Merlin HM Mk1 | 2014 | Royal Navy |
| BAE 125 | 2015 | RAF |
| Lynx Mk7 | 2015 | Army |
| Sea King HC Mk4 | 2016 | Royal Navy |
| Sea King HAR Mk3/3a | 2016 | RAF |
| Sea King HAR Mk5 | 2016 | Royal Navy |
| Lynx HMA.8 | 2017 | Royal Navy |
| Sea King ASaC Mk7 | 2018 | Royal Navy |
| Lynx Mk9 & 9A | 2018 | Army |
| Tornado GR4 | 2019 | RAF |