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Dear ,

Thank you for your e-mail of 25 August 2019 asking for information about RAF charges for aircraft attending airshows and other events. Specifically, you requested the following information:

"I am submitting a freedom of information request to the Ministry of Defence regarding the charges applicable in relation to Royal Air Force (RAF) assets to airshows or other events within the United Kingdom.

This request asks for the charges applicable for organisers of airshows or other events in the UK are published for the following RAF display teams or assets:

*The RAF Aerobatics Team (Red Arrows)
The RAF Falcons Parachute Display Team
RAF Typhoon Display
Battle of Britain Memorial Flight (BBMF) Lancaster BBMF Spitfire BBMF Hurricane BBMF
Dakota RAF Hawk RAF Tutor RAF Tucano RAF transport aircraft (such as the C-17, C-130
or A400M)*

It further requests that the charges applicable are broken down into full displays, flypasts and static displays.

Any additional charges applicable to the above requested (such as security, insurance or other miscellaneous charges) are also published.

These figures should ideally be from 2019 or the latest year available for each asset.

In the event of a non-standardised rate being utilised for charges, it would be preferable to have an average charge for each asset."

I am treating your correspondence as a request 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.

Flying display, Static Display and Insurance charges for the for 2019 are shown at Annex.


Under Section 16 (Advice and assistance) of the Act, you may care to note that the RAF does not have any dedicated transport aircraft display teams. Additionally, the RAF does not routinely charge for flypasts which are usually undertaken on transit flights between events or to and from the display teams base. Flypasts by operational aircraft such as Typhoon or the Hercules C-130 are usually undertaken as part of a routine training sortie so are at no additional cost. On the rare occasions where a charge for a flypast is raised, this is done on a case by case basis.

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.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>

Yours sincerely


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Air Command

2019 UK CHARGES - FLYING DISPLAY PACKAGES

Aircraft	Charge £
Typhoon	2,805
Tucano	545
Tutor	545
Helicopters (Local engagement)	30
Red Arrows	11,342
Falcons Parachute Display Team	3,252
BBMF Lancaster	1,358
BBMF Dakota	1,038
BBMF Spitfire	757
BBMF Hurricane	757
BBMF Lancaster, Dakota, Single Fighter	2,948
BBMF Dakota, Hurricane, Spitfire	2,387
BBMF Lancaster, Hurricane, Spitfire	2,715
BBMF Lancaster, Dakota, Hurricane, Spitfire	3,085

2019 UK CHARGES – STATIC DISPLAY PACKAGES

Aircraft	Charge £
Typhoon	2,125
Sentry E-3D	2,840
Hawk	535
Tucano/Texan	535
Tutor/Prefect	535
Hercules C-130	915
Globemaster C-17	915
Phenom	535
Viking	535
Islander	535
Sentinel	915
Shadow	535
Bae 146	1,770
Juno 135	695
Jupiter 145	695
Voyager	1,770
Atlas A400M	915
F-35 Lightning	2,215

2019 INSURANCE CHARGES

Aircraft	Charge £
Typhoon	423
Hawk	410
Tucano	355
Tutor	300
Hercules C-130	355

Voyager	500
Atlas A400M	500
Red Arrows	2,657
Falcons Parachute Display Team	314
BBMF Lancaster	300
BBMF Dakota	300
BBMF Spitfire	300
BBMF Hurricane	300
BBMF Lancaster, Hurricane, Spitfire	675 for 3
BBMF Lancaster, Dakota, Hurricane, Spitfire	900 for 4
Static Display - Up to 3 aircraft	218
Static Display Per aircraft - more than 3	109