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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 17 December in which you requested the following information:

*“Please can you tell me the Course phases and their lengths in weeks for Class 3 and Class 1 training courses for the following Royal Signals Roles*

*Information Services Engineer  
Networks Engineer  
Infrastructure Engineer*

*Electronic Warfare Signals Intelligence  
Supply Chain Operative  
Power Engineer”*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. I am writing to advise you that following a search of our recorded information, I have established that some information you requested is held by the Ministry of Defence and is below. Please note that course lengths for Class 1 for the Royal Signals roles is not held as these courses have not yet been finalised.

In response to your request, please see below the course lengths for Class 3.

	Trade Title	Course Length (Weeks)
		<b>Class 3</b>
New	Information Services Engineer	49
New	Networks Engineer	49
New	Infrastructure Engineer	42
New	Electronic Warfare Signals Intelligence	47
New	Supply Chain Operative	5
New	Power Engineer	28

Please note that Supply Chain Operative trade training is followed by 8 weeks training at the Defence School of Transport in Leconfield. The first three courses (Information Services Engineer, Networks Engineer and Infrastructure Engineer) are completed in three phases. First foundation stage lasts 4 weeks, this is followed by the second foundation stage which lasts 10 weeks. Remainder length is spent on training specific to trade. Remaining three courses (Electronic Warfare Signals Intelligence, Supply Chain Operative and Power Engineer) are completed as foundation stage which lasts 4 weeks. Remainder length of the courses is specific to trade. Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance) you may find it useful to note that old course titles will be replaced by the new trade titles listed in the table in the near future. Training for some of the new courses will commence from April 2020. Remaining courses will follow in April 2021.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance. Following this, 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](mailto: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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