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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 31 January in which you requested the following information:

*"I am aware of the fact that Artificer training is accredited to higher level civilian qualifications which vary depending on stream. Could you please confirm the current qualifications, by level and title (eg BSc Electronics Systems Engineering; HND Automotive Engineering) for each of the Artificer courses shown below:*

*Artificer Electronics  
Artificer Vehicles  
Artificer Aircraft  
Artificer Avionics  
Artificer Weapons*

*In addition, would it be possible to provide me with the latest version of REME Corps Instruction E5, Artificer Selection and Training or direct me to where I can access this publication."*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that the information in scope of your request is held and is below.

In response to your request please see below accreditation to higher level civilian qualifications for each of the Artificer courses:

Artificer Electronics – BSc in Electronic Systems Engineering via Portsmouth University  
Artificer Vehicles – Pearson Level 5 Automotive Engineering  
Artificer Aircraft – Foundation Degree in Aviation Engineering via Portsmouth University  
Artificer Avionics – BSc in Electronic Systems Engineering via Portsmouth University  
Artificer Weapons – Pearson Level 5 Automotive Engineering

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance) you may find it useful to note that future accreditation of Artificer Vehicles and Artificer Weapons courses are currently under review and may change in the future.

In response to second part of your request, I can confirm that MOD holds information relating to your request. However, this information is exempt under Section 21 of the Act (reasonably accessible by other means). The requested information has been previously published and can be found in the link below:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/867873/20200131-FOI00305\\_REME\\_ArtificerInstructionTraining-Response.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/867873/20200131-FOI00305_REME_ArtificerInstructionTraining-Response.pdf)

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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