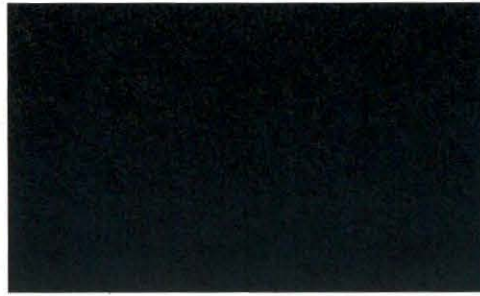




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Dear [REDACTED],

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence of 11 March 2021 in which you requested the following information:

'Policy, Rules and Guidance regarding Food and Accommodation Emolument for the Royal Fleet Auxiliary (a Reference is within BRd 875).  
How the Food and Accommodation Emolument is calculated, added for pension purposes and what detailed information is submitted by you to Civil Service Pensions.'

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 been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD) and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held.

In response to your request, I can advise you that, in accordance with the Policy, Rules and Guidance, provision of Food and Accommodation is an entitlement for Royal Fleet Auxiliary (RFA) employees while serving on board an RFA Vessel and signed on Ships Articles of Agreement which is recognised in pension calculations. The current rate used to calculate final pension entitlement is £20.85. In respect of what information is submitted by the MOD to Civil Service Pensions, I can further advise that once it is confirmed that an employee of the RFA is retiring, the RFA Personnel Operations team send details of the individual's employment history, drawn from Magellan (the RFA personnel system), to the Defence Business Services Leavers Team. The report will include when the employee was eligible for a food allowance.

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.GOV.UK](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@MOD.GOV.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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