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18 May 2021
Reference: F0005235

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request of 19 April 2021, for the release of information held by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA). Having considered your request in line with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), we are able to provide the information below.

I'm student [REDACTED]

I kindly ask you to provide me information listed below:

ABOUT CUSTOMERS:

List of pilots that have pilot licenses

- *Post code*
- *Date obtained*
- *Which flight school issues the license*

List of pilots that have attended aerobatic rating

- *Post code*
- *Date obtained*
- *Which certificate it was issued under*
- *Which flight school issues the certificate*

Please see attachment 1 which provides the details of individuals that hold pilot's licences, and aerobatic ratings. Licences and ratings are issued by the CAA, but we do not record on our database which training organisation(s) a pilot used for their training.

ABOUT FLIGHT SCHOOLS:

There are two types of flight school. They are known as Approved Training Organisations (ATOs) and Declared Training Organisations (DTOs). More information about the two types of school can be found [here](#).

- *Total number of flight schools*

514 – 244 ATOs and 270 DTOs.

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- *Number of flight schools which provide aerobatic trainings*

113 – 32 ATOs and 81 DTOs

- *Number of student pilots if appropriate*
- *Number of pilot licenses issued*
- *Flight schools which were founded in 2018-2020 and the LLC name if appropriate.*

Please see attachment 2. Please note that the dates are the date of approval/declaration, not the date that the company was founded. Our [website](#) explains that organisations that were previously Registered Training Facilities (RTFs) had to transfer to become a DTO by 8 April 2019, so many of the DTOs would have previously operated as a RTF, rather than being a new business. We do not hold information about the number of student pilots that are training with a particular training organisation, and we do not record on our database which training organisation(s) a pilot used for their training.

If you are not satisfied with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you should approach the CAA in writing at:-

 [@caa.co.uk](mailto: @caa.co.uk)

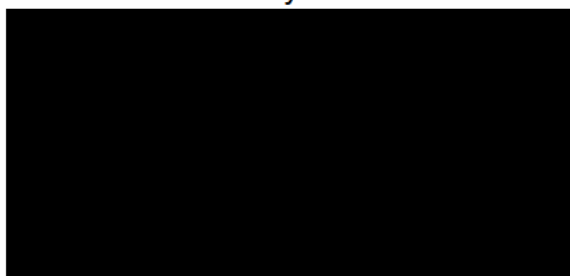
The CAA has a formal internal review process for dealing with appeals or complaints in connection with Freedom of Information requests. The key steps in this process are set out in the attachment. A request for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days of the date of this letter.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under Section 50 of the FOIA to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner at:-

Information Commissioner's Office
FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
SK9 5AF
<https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

If you wish to request further information from the CAA, please use the form on the CAA website at <http://publicapps.caa.co.uk/modalapplication.aspx?appid=24>.

Yours sincerely



CAA INTERNAL REVIEW & COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

- The original case to which the appeal or complaint relates is identified and the case file is made available;
- The appeal or complaint is allocated to an Appeal Manager, the appeal is acknowledged and the details of the Appeal Manager are provided to the applicant;
- The Appeal Manager reviews the case to understand the nature of the appeal or complaint, reviews the actions and decisions taken in connection with the original case and takes account of any new information that may have been received. This will typically require contact with those persons involved in the original case and consultation with the CAA Legal Department;
- The Appeal Manager concludes the review and, after consultation with those involved with the case, and with the CAA Legal Department, agrees on the course of action to be taken;
- The Appeal Manager prepares the necessary response and collates any information to be provided to the applicant;
- The response and any necessary information is sent to the applicant, together with information about further rights of appeal to the Information Commissioners Office, including full contact details.