

[REDACTED]

Date: 6 October 2025  
Reference: F0007552

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received by the CAA on the 20 August 2025. For reference, your original request was as follows:

*Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI), I formally request the following information;*

1. *A copy of the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) Parachuting Permission issued to [RAF] Joint Services Adventure Training (JAST) establishment, Weston on the Green for the relevant period (year 2021-2022).*
2. *Can you please explain which specific legislation i.e. Act of Parliament and Statutory Instrument(s), precise Regulation(s) or Article(s) – paragraph(s) and sentence(s) – provides that CAA have statutory authority and powers to regulate on-duty parachuting activity conducted by Ministry of Defence (MOD) RAF JSAT establishments.*
3. *Furthermore, could you please provide documented evidence, including but not limited to Memorandum of Understanding, formal agreement or delegation of authority etc. that clearly demonstrates that CAA are permitted by the Secretary of State for Defence to assert authority or applicate any requirements of legislation such as the Air Navigation Order 2016, in respect of any on-duty parachuting activity conducted by MOD.*

Your request has been considered in line with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). I can confirm information within scope of your request is held by the CAA; if I may I shall address each of your points in turn:

1. *A copy of the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) Parachuting Permission issued to [RAF] Joint Services Adventure Training (JAST) establishment, Weston on the Green for the relevant period (year 2021-2022).*

Please find the attached permissions. As can be seen in order to facilitate this information release it has been necessary to redact a small amount of personal data by way of section 40 (personal data) of the FOIA.

2. *Can you please explain which specific legislation i.e. Act of Parliament and Statutory Instrument(s), precise Regulation(s) or Article(s) – paragraph(s) and sentence(s) – provides that CAA have statutory authority and powers to regulate on-duty parachuting activity conducted by Ministry of Defence (MOD) RAF JSAT establishments.*

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Parachuting from any civilian registered aircraft in the UK is regulated by the Air Navigation Order 2016 (ANO) ([www.caa.co.uk/uk-regulations](http://www.caa.co.uk/uk-regulations)). Specifically, permission is required under ANO Article 90. If military registered aircraft are used to drop parachutists, then the civilian regulations do not apply but the military MAA regulations will apply.

*3. Furthermore, could you please provide documented evidence, including but not limited to Memorandum of Understanding, formal agreement or delegation of authority etc. that clearly demonstrates that CAA are permitted by the Secretary of State for Defence to assert authority or applicable any requirements of legislation such as the Air Navigation Order 2016, in respect of any on-duty parachuting activity conducted by MOD.*

Please find attached.

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:-

[FOI.Requests@caa.co.uk](mailto:FOI.Requests@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 below. A request for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days of the date of this letter.

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Information Commissioner's Office  
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Wycliffe House  
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<https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

If you wish to request further information from the CAA, please use the form on the CAA website at FOI - Freedom of Information ([caa.co.uk](http://caa.co.uk)).

Yours sincerely  
**Communications & Engagement Team**  
Information Rights Specialist  
Civil Aviation Authority

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## 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.
- 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 when necessary consultation with the CAA Legal Department;
- The Appeal Manager concludes the review and, after consultation with those involved with the case, and if necessary 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.
- An internal review cannot address issues outside of the scope of the original request.
- You, as the applicant, may raise concerns as to why you think the CAA (and any exemptions relied upon) were incorrect in our application of the terms of the FOIA.
- The internal review mechanism should not be used to raise additional further requests for information; this should be done by way of another first stage information request.