



Freedom of Information (FOI) request - Submission confirmation

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Applicant information

☐ I want to submit this request anonymously

Assistance

Do you need assistance with preparing your request?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Do you need an interpreter?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Applicant details

Title

▼

First name*

Last name

Pronouns

Chosen name

Business/Organisation

Contact details

Please provide at least one method of contact. We use this information to confirm details of the request and deliver information to you once your request is completed.

Phone number

Email address

Address line 1

Address line 2

Suburb

State

Postcode

Help us direct your request

The following information helps us send your request to the most appropriate team who will coordinate and respond to your request.

What type of information are you requesting? *

There are two types of information commonly asked for: personal information and non-personal or general information.

- Personal information refers to your own or another's personal affairs. If you wish to access personal information, you will need to provide proof of identity.

- Non-personal or general information is all the information held by government about how the government undertakes its functions and roles.

☐ Personal information

☒ Non-personal (General) information

What do you know about the information you are requesting?*

☐ I know the Directorate or agency

☒ I know the topic

☐ I am not sure

What is the nature or topic of information you are after*

Licences

Start typing the name of the topic you are requesting information about. If your topic does not appear in the list, you can select "No match found".

Request for

To help us process your request:

- Include enough detail in your application so we can identify what government information you want.
- As an alternative to using fields within the form, you may choose to attach documents or audio recordings.
- You may wish to include a statement on how the release of this information is in the public interest.

Scope of your request

What information are you requesting access to?*

Dear FOI Coordinator,

I am writing to make an access application under the Freedom of Information Act 2016 (ACT).

My name is [REDACTED] and I am a journalist currently working on a story [REDACTED] regarding the nationwide decrease in manual driver's licences, examining the shifting trends in driver education, vehicle purchasing, and licencing across Australia.

I request access to the following information:

A database extract, summary report, or equivalent document detailing the total number of new provisional and open car driver's licences (Class C) issued annually in the ACT, broken down by transmission type (Manual vs. Automatic/Condition A).

The data is requested for each calendar or financial year from 2016 up to the date of this request.

I request that the documents be released in an electronic format (such as an Excel spreadsheet, CSV, or PDF) and provided via email.

As a journalist, I am requesting this information for the purpose of media reporting on a matter of public interest. The transition away from manual vehicles impacts road safety policy, the automotive market, and driver training resources. Therefore, the release of this information is of special benefit to the public. On these grounds, I respectfully request a full waiver of any processing fees associated with this application.

I note the statutory processing period for this request. If my application is likely to be refused on the grounds that it would substantially and unreasonably divert the resources of the agency, I ask that you please contact me prior to making a formal decision so we can negotiate a refined scope.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Attach additional documents to support your application

Submit application

Timeframes

The Directorate responsible for your application must:

- inform you in writing within 10 working days that it has received your application
- communicate to you about any difficulties/ delays in processing your request
- provide you with a decision on access to the information within 30 working days or less

Requests may take longer than 30 days in situations where an extension has been granted.

If the Directorate must consult a third party, the deadline for providing a decision is extended by 15 working days. The Directorate will notify you if consultation is required.

After you submit your request, the information you supply will be provided to:

- **City and Environment Directorate**
- **CEDFOI@act.gov.au**