Environmental Standards Scotland Ìrean Àrainneachdail na h-Alba



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8 August 2025

Dear

Response to information request – full disclosure

I am writing in response to your email of 23 July 2025, requesting information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA). The information you requested is as follows:

- 1. In 2024-25 and 2025-26, how many employees from this public body were given permission to work from outside the UK, or worked outside the UK with this public body's knowledge?
- 2. In relation to Q1, please provide as much detail as possible on what country they were working in and what duration of time they were in another country.

Our response

I am pleased to enclose the information requested below. This is a full disclosure of all the information you requested.

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1. In 2024-25 and 2025-26, how many employees from this public body were given permission to work from outside the UK, or worked outside the UK with this

public body's knowledge?

In 2024/25, two ESS employees were given permission to work outside of the UK.

At the time of the request, in 2025/26 one employee has been given permission to work outside of the UK.

2. In relation to Q1, please provide as much detail as possible on what country they were working in and what duration of time they were in another country.

In 2024/25:

one employee worked for a period of seven days in Poland

one employee worked for a period of one day in Spain

At the time of the request, in 2025/26:

one employee worked for a period of two days in Ireland

Right to seek a review

While we believe we have complied with your information request in full, if you are unhappy with this response to your request under FOISA, you may ask us to carry out an internal review of the response by writing to:

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Environmental Standards Scotland Enquiries

Email: foi@environmentalstandards.scot

Your review request should explain why you are dissatisfied with this response, and should be made within 40 working days from the date when you received this letter.

We will issue a full response to your request for review within 20 working days of receiving it.

Yours sincerely,



Freedom of Information Officer

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