

## THE PAROLE BOARD FOR SCOTLAND GUIDE TO INFORMATION AVAILABLE THROUGH OUR PUBLICATION SCHEME

The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (the Act) requires Scottish public authorities to produce and maintain a publication scheme. Authorities are under a legal obligation to:

- publish the classes of information that they make routinely available
- tell the public how to access the information and what it might cost.

The Parole Board for Scotland has adopted the **Model Publication Scheme 2015** produced by the Scottish Information Commissioner. They have approved this scheme until 31 May 2019. You can see this scheme on our website at <u>http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/</u> or by contacting us at the address below:

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The purpose of this Guide to Information is to:

- allow the public to see what information is available (and what is not available) in relation to each class;
- state what charges may be applied;
- explain how to find the information easily;
- provide contact details for enquiries and to get help with accessing the information; and
- explain how to request information we hold that has not been published.

## Availability and formats

The information we publish through the model scheme is, wherever possible, available on our website. We offer alternative arrangements for people who do not want to, or cannot, access the information online or by inspection at our premises. For example, we can usually arrange to send information to you in paper copy (although there may be a charge for this).

## Exempt information

We will publish the information we hold that falls within the classes of information below. If a document contains information that is exempt under Scotland's freedom of information laws (for example sensitive personal information or a trade secret), we will remove or redact the information before publication and explain why.

Copyright

Where the Parole Board holds the copyright in its published information, the information may be copied or reproduced without formal permission, provided that:

- it is copied or reproduced accurately;
- it is not used in a misleading context; and
- the source of the material is identified.

Where The Parole Board does not hold the copyright in information we publish, we will make this clear.

## Charges

This section explains when we may make a charge for our publications and how any charge will be calculated.

There is no charge to view information on our website or at our premises.

We may charge for providing information to you e.g., photocopying and postage, but we will charge you no more than it actually costs us to do so. We will always tell you what the cost is before providing the information to you.

Our photocopying charge per sheet of paper is shown in the tables below:

## Black and white photocopying

Size of paper	Pence per sheet of paper
A4	10p

## Colour photocopying

Size of paper	Pence per sheet of paper
A4	20p

Information provided on CD-Rom will be charged at 50p per computer disc.

Postage costs will be recharged at the rate we paid to send the information to you.

When providing copies of pre-printed publications, we will charge no more than the cost per copy of the total print run.

We do not pass on any other costs to you in relation to our published information.

#### Contact us

You can contact us for assistance with any aspect of this publication scheme:

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e-mailto: enquiries@paroleboard.scot

We will also advise you how to ask for information that we do not publish or how to complain if you are dissatisfied with any aspect of this publication scheme.

## The classes of information that we publish

We publish information that we hold within the following classes. Once information is published under a class we will continue to make it available for the current and previous two financial years.

Where information has been updated or superseded, only the current version will be available. If you would like to see previous versions, you may make a request to us for that information.

## CLASS 1: ABOUT THE AUTHORITY

# **Class description:**

Information about the authority, who we are, where to find us, how to contact us, how we are managed and our external relations

The information we publish under this class	How to access it
Our Enabling Legislation	
Legal Information	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/page/legal_information
Parole Board Rules	http://www.oqps.gov.uk/legislation/ssi/ssi2001/ssi_20010315_en_1
Amendment to Parole Board Rules which came into force on 21 May 2010	http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2010/164/contents/made
Amendment to Parole Board Rules which came into force on 1 May 2011	http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2011/133/contents/made
Amendment to Parole Board Rules which came into force 26 June 2012	http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2012/167/contents/made http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2012/197/contents/made
Statutory Powers and Functions	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/page/legal_information
About Us	
About the Parole Board	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/page/about_the_parole_board
Board members	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/
External relations/working with others	
Complain about us	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/page/complaints_procedure
Contact us	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/
Keeping others informed	
News releases	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/news/2015

# CLASS 2: HOW WE DELIVER OUR FUNCTIONS AND SERVICES

## **Class description:**

Information about our work, our strategy and policies for delivering functions and services and information for our service users.

The information we publish under this class	How to access it
Victim & Families	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/page/victims_and_families
Frequently Asked Questions	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/faq.asp
Information on rights, how	
to make requests	
Freedom of information	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/page/freedom_of_information_

# CLASS 3: HOW THE AUTHORITY TAKES DECISIONS AND WHAT IT HAS DECIDED Class description:

Information about the decisions we take, how we make decisions and how we involve others

The information we publish under this class	How to access it
About the Parole Board	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/page/about_the_parole_board
Annual Reports	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/documents.asp

## **CLASS 4: WHAT THE AUTHORITY SPENDS AND HOW IT SPENDS IT**

## Class description:

Information about our strategy for, and management of, financial resources (in sufficient detail to explain what public money has actually been spent)

The information we publish under this class	How to access it
Annual Reports	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/documents.asp

# CLASS 5: HOW THE AUTHORITY MANAGES ITS HUMAN, PHYSICAL AND INFORMATION RESOURCES

#### **Class description:**

Information about how we manage the human, physical and information resources of the authority

The information we publish under this class	How to access it
Recruitment Policy	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/page/recruitment_information
Our publication scheme	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/page/freedom_of_information_

# CLASS 6: HOW THE AUTHORITY PROCURES GOODS AND SERVICES FROM EXTERNAL PROVIDERS

#### **Class description:**

Information about how we procure goods and services, and our contracts with external providers

The information we publish under this class	How to access it
We do not hold or publish information under this class.	

# **CLASS 7: HOW OUR AUTHORITY IS PERFORMING**

### **Class description:**

Information about how the authority performs as an organisation, and how well it delivers its functions and services

The information we publish under this class	How to access it
Annual Reports	http://www.scottishparoleboard.gov.uk/documents.asp

## **CLASS 8: OUR COMMERCIAL PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Class description:**

Information packaged and made available for sale on a commercial basis and sold at market value through a retail outlet e.g. bookshop, museum or research journal.

The information we publish under this class	How to access it
We do not hold or publish information under this class.	