



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

E-mail request

Our ref: ATISN 14096

Date: 28 July 2020

Dear

ATISN 14096

Thank you for your request which I received on 30 June 2020. You asked the following:

Expressed as a number and percentage of total posts, how many posts in the Welsh Government are:

- *Welsh essential*
- *Welsh desirable*
- *Neither (no Welsh language requirement)?*

The Welsh language requirements for posts should be clear in job descriptions. In terms of timeframe, I am looking for the most recent data you can provide. Figures should include the Commissioners' offices too if possible.

We wrote to you via e-mail on 8 July to confirm that the information requested is not held and asked if you wished to receive information that is held, as outlined in that e-mail. As we have received no response, I am proceeding by providing the information as outlined below.

The Welsh Government reports annually in line with its statutory duties under the Welsh Language Standards (No. 1) Regulations 2015 on the number of new and vacant posts which were categorised as posts where –

- Welsh language skills are essential;
- Welsh language skills need to be learnt when appointed to the post;
- Welsh language skills are desirable;
- Welsh language skills are not necessary.

This information is published in our annual report on compliance with the Welsh language standards and can be found here <https://gov.wales/compliance-welsh-language-standards>



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Information Rights Unit
Welsh Government
Cathays Park
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Or e-mail: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

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Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely