

**Reasons for refusal of information requests under Part 2 of the Code
(Requests concluded in July - September 2024)**

Public agency	Number of times the exemption provisions in Part 2 are cited (Note)															
	Para. 2.3	Para. 2.4	Para. 2.5	Para. 2.6	Para. 2.7	Para. 2.8	Para. 2.9	Para. 2.10	Para. 2.11	Para. 2.12	Para. 2.13	Para. 2.14	Para. 2.15	Para. 2.16	Para. 2.17	Para. 2.18
Buildings Department								1				4	8	1	2	
Chief Executive's Office								1								
Offices of the Chief Secretary for Administration and the Financial Secretary		1		1								2				
Correctional Services Department							2									
Department of Health								1				1				
Department of Justice							2		1							
Development Bureau										1	1			1		
Education Bureau							2				1	6	1			
Fire Services Department				2												
Home Affairs Department				2			1	1				4	1			
Hong Kong Police Force				2			6	1				1	2			
Inland Revenue Department		1		2												4
Leisure and Cultural Services Department				2			2						3			
Lands Department								1				1	1			
Labour Department				1			1									1
Rating and Valuation Department				3												3
Security Bureau	2															
Transport Department				1								3				
University Grants Committee Secretariat							1									
Water Supplies Department												1				
Total	2	2	0	16	0	0	17	6	1	1	2	23	16	2	2	8

Note

Para. 2.3 is concerned with Defence and security

Para. 2.4 is concerned with External affairs

Para. 2.5 is concerned with Nationality, immigration and consular matters

Para. 2.6 is concerned with Law enforcement, legal proceedings and public safety

Para. 2.7 is concerned with Damage to the environment

Para. 2.8 is concerned with Management of the economy

Para. 2.9 is concerned with Management and operation of the public service

Para. 2.10 is concerned with Internal discussion and advice

Para. 2.11 is concerned with Public employment and public appointments

Para. 2.12 is concerned with Improper gain or advantage

Para. 2.13 is concerned with Research, statistics and analysis

Para. 2.14 is concerned with Third party information

Para. 2.15 is concerned with Privacy of the individual

Para. 2.16 is concerned with Business affairs

Para. 2.17 is concerned with Premature requests

Para. 2.18 is concerned with Legal restrictions

The above statistics reflect the reasons cited by agencies in decisions to refuse information requests made under the Code; possible reviews of the decisions are not captured.

As there may be more than one reason to refuse a request, the total number of times the exemption provisions are cited may exceed the total number of refused requests.