

Reasons for refusal of information requests under Part 2 of the Code
(Requests concluded in April to June 2026)

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Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department				1	1						2	1	1			
All registries and administrative offices of courts and tribunals for v	1						1						1			
Architectural Services Department	1						1					1	1			
Buildings Department				1				1	1	1		4	8			2
Civil Aviation Department							3		1							
Civil Engineering and Development Department							1					1		1		
Civil Service Bureau							1		3				3			
Commerce and Economic Development Bureau														1		
Companies Registry							1									
Correctional Services Department				1				95								
Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau							2									
Customs and Excise Department				3			1									1
Department of Health							2				1	1		1		
Department of Justice				1			3	1	1							
Education Bureau												1	1			
Electrical and Mechanical Services Department													1			
Environment and Ecology Bureau/Environmental Protection Depar				2			1					1				
Fire Services Department	1						2					2		1		
Food and Environmental Hygiene Department							1	1				3	2	1		
Government Flying Service	1						1									
Government Logistics Department							1									
Government Property Agency	1															
Health Bureau								1				1				
Highways Department												1				
Home Affairs Department												1				
Home and Youth Affairs Bureau							1									
Hong Kong Observatory							1									
Hong Kong Police Force				7			2		1				1			
Hongkong Post	1						1									
Housing Bureau/ Hong Kong Housing Authority/ Housing Departm				1			6	1			4	1	4			
Immigration Department				2			7									
Independent Commission Against Corruption				2												
Information Services Department	1						1									
Inland Revenue Department	1						1						1			2
Innovation, Technology and Industry Bureau	2						2						1			
Invest Hong Kong	1						1									
Labour Department				4			2		2			1	3			2
Land Registry							2									
Lands Department							5					1	1			
Legal Aid Department	1						1					1	1			
Leisure and Cultural Services Department							3	1	1			1	3	1		
Marine Department												5				
Office of the Communications Authority												1		1		
Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data																3
Rating and Valuation Department																1
Registration and Electoral Office							3									
Social Welfare Department	1						2					1	1			
Transport Department	1						3					1	1			

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Water Supplies Department																
Total	14	0	0	25	1	0	66	101	10	1	7	32	35	7	0	11

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.