

Date issued: 25 February 2021

Freedom of Information Request

We are writing in response to your Freedom of Information request. Your request has been considered in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act and our information access policy.

You asked for the following information:

“In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, I request the following information:

As of 1st January 2021, or near date, the status of compliance with the Technical Specification for Interoperability - Persons with Reduced Mobility (PRM TSI) for the above classes of train in service with TfW. Please provide the set number(s) and target compliance dates of sets not compliant.

Please also confirm that these sets will always operate coupled with compliant sets.”

Having reviewed your questions, we are able to provide the following information:

All 36x class 150 units are now fully PRM compliant, this work was completed in 2019.

Of our class 153 units, 13x units were converted to make them compliant by the end of 2019. As at 1st Jan 2020, 13x remaining class 153 units did not comply PRM accessibility requirements. These units are never operated singly and are always coupled to a fully PRM-compliant class 150 or 153. These units have now been renumbered into the 1539xx number series to ensure they are readily identifiable - a list of these units is given below: -

153306	153968	153313	153922
153906	153318	153913	153314
153335	153918	153321	153914
153935	153382	153921	153309
153372	153982	153326	153909
153972	153310	153926	
153368	153910	153322	

Work is underway to convert 9x of these units to make them fully PRM compliant in the first half of this year. The other 4x units are to be removed from service.

We hope this information is of use to you.

Yours sincerely,

Transport for Wales

Appeal Rights

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, please write to the Head of Freedom of Information at either Transport for Wales, 3 Llys Cdwyn, Pontypridd, CF37 4TH or freedomofinformation@tfw.wales. Your request must be submitted within 40 working days of receipt of this letter. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

The Information Commissioner (ICO) can be contacted at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or you can contact the ICO through the 'Make a Complaint' section of their website on this link: <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/>

The relevant section to select will be "Official or Public Information".