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Dear

Freedom of Information Request 14/2019

Thank you for contacting CITB requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Your email, dated 18 June 2019, asked for the following information:

1. The test paper that I completed today at Pearson Vue (Boston centre) as I believe that there are at least five questions that could be answered more than one way when only one answer can be given
2. Could you please confirm how many answers have to be correct out of the number of questions asked in order to pass this test (Specialist Supervisory Test)

My response is as follows:

1. The test paper that I completed today at Pearson Vue (Boston centre) as I believe that there are at least five questions that could be answered more than one way when only one answer can be given.

Examinations taken by individuals are considered Personal Information. Release of Personal information is not covered by the Freedom of Information Act but by the Data Protection Act. The Data Protection Act prevents the release of examination scripts (Schedule 2, Paragraph 25).

2. Could you please confirm how many answers have to be correct out of the number of questions asked in order to pass this test (Specialist Supervisory Test)

For the test that you took the pass mark is as follows:

- *Behavioural Case Studies: 12 Questions in 3 Sections, minimum score of 3 in each section, pass mark of 10 overall*
- *Knowledge Questions: 32 Questions in 16 Sections, minimum score of 1 in each section, pass mark of 27 overall*
- *Specialist Area: 6 Questions, pass mark of 5 overall*



Additional Information

The new version of the test was launched on 26th June 2019 and details of this and the scoring can be found on our website at <https://www.citb.co.uk/courses-and-qualifications/hse-test-and-cards/about-hse-test/planned-changes-to-hse-test/>.

We have a process whereby questions which are challenged by individuals who have taken the test are shared with technical Health, Safety & Environment experts alongside test development experts. If you have some details of the questions which you took, please provide what you have and I will pass it to the CITB Team who manages this process.

If you are unhappy with this response, or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied, then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting Adrian Beckingham, Corporate Performance Director, CITB, Bircham Newton, King's Lynn, Norfolk, PE31 6RH or email adrian.beckingham@citb.co.uk.

If you remain unhappy following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioners website: <https://ico.org.uk/>

Yours sincerely

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