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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**

**Request ID: FOI860996321**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Skip licence application outcomes.

You have requested the following information:

**Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide information about applications to place builders' skips on the public highway under Section 139 of the Highways Act 1980.**

**For each of the financial years 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26, please provide:**

- 1. The number of initial skip licence or permit applications received.**
  - 2. The number of initial applications granted, meaning a licence or permit was issued.**
  - 3. The number of initial applications refused.**
  - 4. The reason(s) why these applications were refused (if held)**
  - 5. The number given another outcome, such as withdrawn, cancelled, invalid or incomplete.**
- Where readily available, please divide these figures by the outcome categories recorded on your system.**

**Please exclude licence extensions and renewals, skips placed entirely on private land, scaffolding licences and other highways permits.**

**Please count each application once. If your system uses different outcome categories, please provide the figures under the categories you use and briefly explain their meaning.**

**Questions 1 to 3 are the priority. If providing the information requested in questions 4 and 5 would cause the request to exceed the appropriate cost limit, please exclude questions 4**

**and 5 and answer questions 1 to 3.**

**Financial Year 2021-22**

Skip Licences Issued – 1,472

Refusals Information not available /not held

Retrospective Licences Issued – Information not available/not held

**Financial Year 2022-23 (from October 2022)**

Skip Licences Issued 530

Refusals – Information not available /not held

Retrospective Licences Issued 33

**Financial Year 2023 24**

Skip Licences Issued – 1,682

Refusals Information not available /not held

Retrospective Licences Issued - 108

**Financial Year 2024-25**

Skip Licences Issued 1,498

Refusals – Information not available /not held

Retrospective Licences Issued 42

**Financial Year 2025 26**

Skip Licences Issued – 115

Refusals 57

Retrospective Licences Issued - 30

**Financial Year 2026-27 (up to end of July 2026)**

Skip Licences Issued 429

Refusals – 21

Retrospective Licences Issued 11

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Yours faithfully

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