## YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW

is classified as top 🚮

secret under the 🚪

state secrets law.

GO TO INTERNAL

APPEALS 5

Body responds

is not clear.
Contact them
to discuss.
WAIT ONE TURN is not clear.



END!

**Congratulations!** 

You get the information and write a story on it

or use it to force the body to change

their policy. Now start again with a new request.

The court accepted your

appeal and ordered the

**WAIT THREE TURNS** 

## The Game: International Edition

might hold that information RTI laws generally only apply to public bodies but some

like to know

Research

Phase

**START** 

Try searching the web also

**GO TO END** 



you wanted.



information



You found the Congratulations!



The information relates to dangerous or powerful people and you don't want

You are Body responds not a citizen or that your request



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**Exemptions** 

Body does not respond to

your request.

**WAIT THREE** 

request is too

burdensome.

**GO BACK TO** 

**MAKING A** 

**REQUEST 2** 

to alert them to your enquiries. Make the object of the request less obvious.

GO BACK TO MAKING A REQUEST 2



You normally do not have to explain why you want the information or show that you have a legal interest.

contains personal information.

GO TO

**INTERNAL** 

APPEALS 5

resident of the

country.

**GO BACK TO** 

**MAKING A** 

**REQUEST and** 

find someone

to request

law doesn't

reauire.

for you. 2

request clear and simple Don't add irrelevant info

Keep a copy of the request Be specific and note when you submitted it. about what Keep any receipt you format you received or other proof. would like to receive the



You may have to pay a smal fee for submitting.



It typically needs to be

information
om a company.
GO TO
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GO TO INTERNAL **APPEALS 5** 

**GO TO INTERNAL APPEALS 5** 

could impact a law enforcement

or administrative

exempt from the RTI law. Your request is incomplete

GO BACK TO START

You did not put your name and address as required.

> GO BACK TO **MAKING A REQUEST 2**

3

Rejections

is now considering how to respond to your request (average 10-30 days).

The body

**WAIT ONE** TURN

5 Internal Appeals

Most countries have an internal appeals system. Jump to **EXTERNAL APPEALS 6** if your country does not.

body for an internal appeal WAIT 2

**TURNS** 

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Your internal appeal is GO TO **EXTERNAL** APPEALS 6

You win the appeal and information is GO TO

which can hear cases. Jump to Courts 7 if yours does

You file an appeal with the information commission or ombudsman.

**GO BACK** 

O MAKING A

REQUEST 2

rejected your appeal.

Good news! The body accepted you appeal and ordered the information

**WAIT FOUR** 

**TURNS** 

**Appeals** 

to Courts

E....

GO BACK TO

**GO TO END** 



Over 120 countries around the world have adopted comprehensive right to information laws or national policies. You can use these laws to demand information from public bodies and others.

2 Making

You should

look at the

body's

website or

the official

website to

see if there

is a guide

on how to

make a

request.

a Request

See if you can use yours!

countries have an official or unofficial portal that can be used to easily make These can be very usefu to find

previous

requests.

Many

information

in (electronic

data set, PDF,

paper

document...).

Submit! You can usually submit also by email, mail, fax or in person.

interest

test -

because the

public interest

favours

**GO TO END** 

e information

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You ask the

6 **External Appeals** 

Most countries ave an externa oversight body

**WAIT 3 TURNS** The body

released