

Conflicts of interest declarations

Applicants are asked to note that if offered the role they will be asked to complete a declaration of interests form and that disclosable interests will be published on the Ofcom website.

Examples of what might constitute a conflict of interest are set out below. Links to the conduct requirements for Ofcom Board members are provided below.

- Any interests that you or close family members may have which could reasonably have a bearing – or have the potential to be perceived to have a bearing – on your impartiality or objectivity. These will include both financial and non-financial interests.
- Paid and unpaid appointments, consultancy, trusteeships, directorships, advisory and voluntary roles; and
- Any financial connection that you or your close family members or associates have that may be connected to the work of Ofcom. (For these purposes an associate is defined as someone who is not a family member but with whom you have frequent or significant contact, or shared interests, and where a connection which is not disclosed might give rise to perceptions of a conflict of interest).

The Ofcom Board Code of Conduct can be found [here](#). The Code of Conduct for Board Members of Public Bodies can be found [here](#).

In applying for this role applicants are asked to:

1. Note that if successful in application as a member of the Ofcom Board you will need to divest any shares held in firms which Ofcom regulates. Any questions about financial holdings should be raised during the application process
2. List any current or past appointments in the following categories of companies and the timeframe for these.

Employment/consultancy/non-executive appointments

Category A: Companies which provide an Ofcom-regulated service (excluding those companies which require solely a Wireless Telegraphy Licence to operate). These may be companies whose Ofcom-regulated business is based predominantly in the UK (such as ITV plc, STV Group plc, Royal Mail plc) or companies which form part of wider international groups which are active in and regulated by Ofcom in the UK (such as Vodafone Group plc, Telefonica S.A., Amazon.com Inc, Alphabet Inc (whose subsidiaries include Google and YouTube), Meta Platforms Inc. (whose subsidiaries include Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp), X.com.

I hold or have held (please include timeframe) an employment/consultancy/non-executive appointment or interest in the following Ofcom-regulated companies:

I do not hold and have not held any employment/consultancy/ non-executive appointment or interest in Ofcom-regulated companies (tick box)

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Category B: Other companies not included in Category A above, but which are involved in the communications, media, online services or postal sectors e.g. a publicly quoted independent producer.

I hold or have held (please include timeframe) an employment/consultancy/non-executive appointment or interest in the following companies which are not regulated by Ofcom but are involved in the sectors it regulates:

I do not hold and have not held any employment/consultancy/ non-executive appointment or interest in companies which are not regulated by Ofcom but are involved in the sectors it regulates (tick box)

3. Provide the following information about your political activities and donations

Please indicate if you have undertaken any relevant political activities during the past five years by ticking the appropriate box and **by providing details of your involvement**. All relevant activity will include activity e.g. obtained office as a Local Councillor, District / County Councillor, MP, AM, MSP, MEP, MLA, etc; stood for such office; spoke on behalf of a party or candidate; acted as a political agent; held office such as Chair, Treasurer or Secretary of a local branch of a party; canvassed on behalf of a party or helped at elections; undertaken any other political activity which you consider relevant including making a recordable donation to a political party¹

Within the last five years I have been politically active

Details:

¹ The Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 requires the Electoral Commission to publish a register of recordable donations (donations from any individual totalling more than £5,000 in any calendar year, or more than £1,000 if made to a subsidiary accounting unit such as a constituency association, local branch, women's or youth organisation). These provisions became effective from 16 February 2001.

Within the last five years I have not been politically active <input type="checkbox"/>

4. List any actual or potential conflicts of interest you have, or which need to be disclosed in relation to a close family members or associate.

Any other actual or potential conflicts of interest