Question Specific Guidance (this is not the return form)			General Guidance		
Question URN	Question	Guidance	Topic	Guidance	
TI001	The number of applications made by or on behalf of the intercepting authority for a targeted interception warrant?	Only count applications presented to an authorising person. Do not count drafts or incompleted applications.	Applications	For any question that asks for application data, only count applications that were formally presinclude drafts. Do include any applications rejected by the authorising body, even those subsections.	
TI002	The number of applications for a targeted interception warrant that were refused by a Secretary of State?		New warrants/authorisations	Any statistics refering to a 'new' authorisation or warrant should not include renewals in	
TI003	The number of decisions to issue a targeted interception warrant that a Judicial Commissioner refused to approve?		Renewals	With renewed authorisations, you should count each instance of a renewal, i.e. if a warrant wathen you would add '2' to your return value.	
TI004	The number of occasions that a referral was made by a Secretary of State to the Investigatory Powers Commissioner, following the decision of a Judicial Commissioner to refuse to approve the decision to issue a targeted interception warrant?		Totals	When asked for a 'total' figure, you should include new authorisations, renewals and any urger subsequently rejected or quashed). This does not apply to Communications Data (see specific g tab of the Excel template).	
T1005	The number of occasions where a targeted interception warrant was refused by the Investigatory Powers Commissioner, following a referral from a Secretary of State; after it had initially been refused by a Judicial Commissioner?		Activity at year-end	As a rule, only count events that have actually occurred in the reporting year. For example, if a formally applied for on 31 December but only authorised on 2 January the following year, you authorisation. This may not always be obvious from case management systems, so pay close at reporting year. Please note the number of applications that were 'year-end' in the comments column so IPCO applications that were not authorised/rejected. If your IT does not allow you to follow this rule, then please use the comments column to explain	
T1006	The number of new targeted interception warrants issued by a Secretary of State and approved by a Judicial Commissioner?	This return should not include any renewals	Saving the return form	You should save your returns template using the following naming convention: '*public author For example: 'MPS – IPCO stats.xlxs' – 2023 or 'Falkirk Council – IPCO stats – 2023.xlxs'. Be care worksheet. Please do not password protect your return as this will be blocked by our email fire	
TI007	The number of targeted interception warrants issued by a Secretary of State in an urgent case?		Sending the completed return	All completed returns should be sent to: info@ipco.org.uk	
TI008	The number of targeted interception warrants issued by a Secretary of State in an urgent case where a Judicial Commissioner subsequently refused to approve the decision to issue the warrant?		Deadline for returns	The deadline for completed returns is 31 January 2024	
TI009	The number of targeted interception warrants issued where the purpose, or one of the purposes, of the warrant is to intercept, or select for examination, items subject to legal privilege?		Public Authority Unique Reference Number (URN)	You should insert the URN for your public authority in column A of your return form. You can follow (Public Authority URNs). Please ensure you put the number in each relevant cell in column A. T this quickly. If you are unable to find your public authority in the list of Public Authority URNs C	

TI010	The number of targeted interception warrants issued where the intercepting authority considers that the relevant communications are likely to include items subject to legal privilege?		Relevant Questions	IPCO has pre-formatted the questionnaire so you should only receive questions relevant to the Each question has a specific URN and are grouped by power (e.g. TI relates to Targeted Interce If there are questions relating to a power not available to your Public Authority, please ignore add a 'not relevant' statement in the comments column: do not put N/A in the return field. If you think that there are questions missing for a power available to your authority, you can clon the guidance tab. Please contact IPCO and we will provide the correct version of the form.
TI011	The number of targeted interception warrants issued where the purpose, or one of the purposes, of the warrant is to intercept communications that the intercepting authority believes contain confidential journalistic material, or select for examination content which the intercepting authority believes contain confidential journalistic material?		Nil Returns	Do not leave any relevant question return cells in column D blank. You must give an answer for return put in '0'. Only put whole number values in column D (the form is formatted to ensure t
TI012	The number of targeted interception warrants issued where the purpose, or one of the purposes, of the warrant is to identify or confirm a source of journalistic information?		Comments column	For each relevant question you can add comments in column F. As a rule, you should not add a suggests that you do.
TI013	The number of targeted interception warrants where the purpose, or one of the purposes, is to authorise or require the interception of communications sent by or intended for a member of a relevant legislature, or the selection for examination of the content of such communications?		Editing/Formating the return form	Please do not edit or format the return form in any way. Attempts to do so may prevent IPCO database (the form is locked to prevent additions). All returns must be made on the single return form with the different powers split onto different sheets/tabs. Do not add extra rows headings or questions in any way. There is no need to remove the PA URN sheet or this guida
TI014	The number of targeted interception warrants that were renewed?	Count each instance of a renewal - i.e if a warrant was renewed twice during the reporting year then you would add '2' to your return value.	Combined warrants/authorisations	There is no separate statistic for combined warrants/authorisations themselves. For the return combined warrant against the relevant questions for that power. For example, with a combine subsequently authorised you would count: 1 TI application, 1 TEI application, 1 TI authorisation
TI015	The number of targeted interception warrants that a Secretary of State or Judicial Commissioner refused to approve the renewal of?		Regional policing units	Regional policing units such as ROCUs and CTPs should include their statistics with those of the authority for the unit. Please contact IPCO if there are any reasons why this is not possible (e.g from another police force/public authority)
TI016	The number of interception warrants issued or renewed by a Secretary of State and approved by a Judicial Commissioner that are 'thematic' warrants.	Thematic' warrants are described in paragraphs 5.11-5.28 of the Interception of Communications Code of Practice (2018). Count each new authorisation and each instance of a renewal.	Mergers and Shared Service Arrangements	If your local authority was merged into a new unitary authority during the reporting period, ple the merger took effect. A separate return should be made for the new authority. If the form h contact us. If powers used by your local authority are authorised as part of a shared-services arrangement relating to the powers used by your authority. Returns should not be amalgamated.
MA001	The number of applications made by or on behalf of the intercepting authority for a mutual assistance warrant?			
MA002	The number of applications for a mutual assistance			

warrant that were refused by a Secretary of State?

MA003	The number of decisions to issue a mutual assistance warrant that a Judicial Commissioner refused to approve?	
MA004	The number of occasions that a referral was made by a Secretary of State to the Investigatory Powers Commissioner, following the decision of a Judicial Commissioner to refuse to approve the decision to issue a mutual assistance warrant?	
MA005	The number of occasions where a mutual assistance warrant was refused by the Investigatory Powers Commissioner, following a referral from a Secretary of State; after it had initially been refused by a Judicial Commissioner?	
MA006	The number of mutual assistance warrants issued by a Secretary of State and approved by a Judicial Commissioner?	
MA007	The number of mutual assistance warrants issued by a Secretary of State in an urgent case?	
MA008	The number of mutual assistance warrants issued by a Secretary of State in an urgent case where a Judicial Commissioner subsequently refused to approve the decision to issue the warrant?	
MA009	The number of mutual assistance warrants issued where the purpose, or one of the purposes, of the warrant is to intercept, or select for examination, items subject to legal privilege?	
MA010	The number of mutual assistance warrants issued where the intercepting authority considers that the relevant communications are likely to include items subject to legal privilege?	
MA011	The number of mutual assistance warrants issued where the purpose, or one of the purposes, of the warrant is to intercept communications that the intercepting authority believes contain confidential journalistic material, or select for examination content which the intercepting authority believes contain confidential journalistic material?	
MA012	The number of mutual assistance warrants issued where the purpose, or one of the purposes, of the warrant is to identify or confirm a source of journalistic information?	
MA013	The number of mutual assistance warrants where the purpose, or one of the purposes, is to authorise or require the interception of communications sent by or intended for a member of a relevant legislature, or the selection for examination of the content of such communications?	

MA014	The number of mutual assistance warrants that were renewed?	
MA015	The number of mutual assistance warrants that a Secretary of State or Judicial Commissioner refused to approve the renewal of?	
MA016	The number of mutual assistance warrants issued or renewed by a Secretary of State and approved by a Judicial Commissioner that are 'thematic' warrants.	'Thematic' warrants are described in paragraphs 5.11-5.28 of the Interception of Communications Code of Practice (2018). Count each new authorisation and each instance of a renewal.
TEI001	The number of applications made by or on behalf of the equipment interference authority for a targeted equipment interference warrant?	
TEI002	The number of applications for a targeted equipment interference warrant that were refused by an issuing authority?	
TEI003	The number of decisions to issue a targeted equipment interference warrant that were refused by a Judicial Commissioner?	
TEI004	The number of occasions that a referral was made by an issuing authority to the Investigatory Powers Commissioner, following the decision of a Judicial Commissioner to refuse to approve the decision to issue a targeted equipment interference warrant?	
TEI005	The number of decisions to issue a targeted equipment interference warrant that were refused by the Investigatory Powers Commissioner, following a referral from the issuing authority?	