

COMPLAINTS TO THE BBC: MAY 2009

The BBC answered just over 14,000 complaints from the audience in May 2009. These ranged from a small number of complaints about potentially serious breaches of editorial guidelines through to a much larger collection of views about programme content.

The main issues were as follows:

Complaints were received from people unhappy that **Question Time** was broadcast at 21.00hrs, an hour and thirty-five minutes earlier than billed, on 21 May 2009.

We received complaints from people about the appointment of the new BBC Head of Religion and Ethics.

Some viewers were unhappy that the MotoGP race was displaced by coverage of the French Open Tennis featuring a live Andy Murray match on BBC Two on 31/05/09.

Complaints were received regarding the commentary of **The Eurovision Song Contest** broadcast on 16/05/09.

The BBC's responses to some recent issues can be read at www.bbc.co.uk/complaints.