Channel Islands and the Isle of Man law  
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Isle of Man

Constitutional Position
The Isle of Man is a dependency of the British Crown and has its own legislature, the Tynwald. Many Acts of the UK Parliament are extended to the Isle of Man by Orders in Council, issued as UK Statutory Instruments. Acts passed by the Tynwald must receive the Royal Assent.

Library holdings of Isle of Man legal materials with shelf locations

Legislation
Acts of the Tynwald 1971- (N.B. recent years in black and red binders at 179F) Bay 179D
Companies Acts Bay 180C
Statutes in Force. Taxation Acts and Companies Legislation Bay 179E
Subject guide to Acts of the Tynwald 1350 - Bay 179E
These are published each year with alphabetical and chronological lists and act as a guide to those statutes still in force.

Law Reports
Manx Law Reports 1972- Bay 180B
Index to Manx Law Reports Bay 180B

Books
There is a small collection of textbooks Bay 180B
List of officers and directory of advocates, solicitors and attorneys, Isle of Man Law Society Bay 2E

Serials
Manx law bulletin Bay 180A

Useful telephone numbers
Isle of Man Central Reference Library 01624 611933
Law Society of the Isle of Man 01624 662910
Channel Islands

Constitutional position

The Channel Islands are separate jurisdictions from the United Kingdom and are divided into the two Bailiwicks of Jersey and Guernsey. Each has its own legislature - the States. Alderney and Sark are dependencies of Guernsey but also have their own legislatures.

Library holdings of Channel Islands legal materials with shelf locations

Legislation

Occasionally Acts of the UK Parliament can be extended to Jersey and Guernsey by express words in the Act or, more frequently, by Orders in Council issued as UK Statutory Instruments. Consent to legislation passed by 'The States' is also given by UK Orders in Council, not issued as UK Statutory Instruments.

Statutes made locally

Jersey Statutes

Recueil des Lois

Volumes I – III, 1771-1881, Acts still in force as amended up to 19th December 1968
Volumes IV - VI 1882-1928, Acts still in force as amended up to 31st March 1963
1951 onwards, single Acts as printed.

Visit the Jersey Legal Information Board web site to access the full text of Jersey law and summaries of unreported judgments from 1997 onwards (ext: www.jerseylegalinfo.je/)

Guernsey

The Library does not hold any legislation made in Guernsey, nor is it available on the internet.

Law Reports

Jersey Judgments 1950-84

Jersey Law Reports 1985-

Bay 178D

Bay 179B

Books

There is a small collection of textbooks on Jersey and Guernsey

Bay 178E

Serials

Guernsey Law Journal 1985-

(Summaries of legislation and cases. Copies of the material summarised can be obtained from the Greffe)

Jersey Law Review 1997-

Bay 178D

Useful telephone numbers

Jersey Law Society 01534 601700

States of Guernsey 01481 717000

The Greffe 01481 725277

Guernsey Bar Council 01481 713371
Channel Islands and Isle of Man: relationship with the European Union
None of these smaller British jurisdictions are members of the European Union. Their
relationship with the EC is governed by Articles 25-27 and Protocol 3 of the UK's Act of
Accession (Bay 61C). For further information see EC Background Report no ISEC/B20/93
(Bay 56T).

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