

ORDINANCE
OF THE STATES OF DELIBERATION

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The Official Publications Ordinance, 1948 *

[CONSOLIDATED TEXT]

NOTE

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* Recueil d'Ordonnances Tome IX, p. 5; as amended by the Official Publications (Amendment) Ordinance, 1965 (Recueil d'Ordonnances Tome XIV, p. 139). See also the: Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948 (Ordres en Conseil Vol. XIII, p. 288); Official Publications (Amendment) Ordinance, 1973; Publication of Official Notices (Guernsey) Law, 2024 (No. II of 2004).

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ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

1. Ordinances repealed.
2. Manner of publication.

SCHEDULE

(Made on the 3rd July, 1948.)

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WHEREAS DURING the recent emergency and the occupation of this Island by the German Forces, Ordinances modifying the provisions of the Ordonnance par rapport à la Publication des Annonces Officielles passed on the 21st day of March, 1936, in a manner appropriate to the conditions existing from time to time during such emergency and such occupation, were passed on the 2nd day of September, 1939, the 13th day of April, 1940, the 31st day of January, 1942, the 16th day of September, 1944, the 12th day of October, 1944, and the 22nd day of January, 1945, respectively:

WHEREAS CERTAIN of such Ordinances were expressed to be passed by virtue of, and to remain in force only so long as, the Emergency Powers (Guernsey Defence) Order in Council, 1939:

WHEREAS THE Ordinance of the 22nd day of January, 1945, purported to repeal the Ordinances of the 16th day of September and the 12th day of October, 1944:

WHEREAS DOUBTS have since arisen as to the true construction and effect of the Ordinances first hereinbefore recited, and as to the extent of the present applicability of the provisions of the said Ordinance of the 21st day of March, 1936:

WHEREAS IT is desired to remove such doubts:

THE COURT, therefore, by virtue of the powers vested in it by the Loi par rapport à la Publication des Annonces Officielles (1936), having heard His Majesty's Procureur concerning the premises, hereby orders: –

Ordinances repealed.

1. The enactments set out in the Schedule hereto, so far as the same are in force and have effect, are hereby repealed.

NOTES

In accordance with the provisions of the Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948, Article 70(3), with effect from 1st January, 1950, this formerly Provisional Ordinance of the Royal Court became a Permanent Ordinance of the States.

In accordance with the provisions of the Publication of Official Notices (Guernsey) Law, 2024, section 1(7), with effect from 1st November, 2024, this Law shall be construed in accordance with section 1 of the 2024 Law.

In accordance with the provisions of the Official Publications (Amendment) Ordinance, 1973, section 3, with effect from 3rd December, 1973, this Ordinance, when cited together with the Ordonnance par rapport à la Publication des Annonces Officielles, 1936 (the "Official Publications Ordinance, 1936"), the Ordonnance par rapport à la Publication des Annonces Officielles (1940) (the "Official Publications Ordinance, 1940"), the Official Publications (Amendment) Ordinance, 1965 and the 1973 Ordinance, may be cited as the Official Publications Ordinances, 1936 to 1973.¹

Manner of publication.

2. On and after the 1st day of August, 1948, every notice required by Law, Ordinance or Custom to be published in "La Gazette Officielle" shall be deemed to have been properly published therein if the same shall appear on the number of weekly occasions prescribed by Law or Ordinance and in the manner prescribed by section 3 of the "Ordonnance par rapport à la Publication des Annonces Officielles" of the 21st day of March 1936, (No. XIII of 1936), (hereinafter called "**the 1936 Ordinance**") in the ordinary edition or editions appearing on any one weekday not being a general holiday (jour férié), [of the newspaper known as "Guernsey Evening Press and Star"] and for the purposes of the 1936 Ordinance and notwithstanding any of the provisions thereof any such weekday shall be deemed to be "**publication day**" and publication in the manner hereby prescribed shall be deemed to be publication in "**the appointed manner**".

PROVIDED that any notice of or in relation to any impending event or proceeding which is required to be published in "La Gazette Officielle" so as to provide for the lapse of a specific period of time between the completion of the publication of the notice and the happening of that event or proceeding shall continue to be published in the appointed manner in accordance with that requirement and, as respects any notice of or in relation to an impending event or proceeding in the Royal Court or any Division thereof as regards which there exists no such requirement, publication in "La Gazette Officielle" shall be made in the appointed manner so as to allow for the lapse of not less than two complete weekdays, neither of which shall be a general holiday (jour férié), between the date of the completion of such publication and the date of such event or proceeding:

PROVIDED ALSO that the validity of the publication of any notice published before the 1st day of August, 1948, shall not be affected by the operation of this Ordinance and where any such notice has been published on less than the requisite number of occasions, complete publication of that notice shall be effected by publishing it in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance on so many further occasions as, with the number of occasions on which it has already been published shall together amount to the requisite number of occasions.

NOTE

In section 2, the words in square brackets were substituted by the Official Publications (Amendment) Ordinance, 1965, section 2, with effect from 1st November, 1965.

The Ordinance was made and came into operation on 3rd July, 1948.

SCHEDULE

Ordonnance provisoire par rapport à la Publication des Annonces Officielles relatives à la Défense du Bailliage de l'Île de Guernesey (1939).

Ordonnance provisoire de 1940 portant amendement à l'Ordonnance provisoire par rapport à la Publication des Annonces Officielles relatives à la Défense du Bailliage de l'Île de Guernesey (1939).

Ordonnance provisoire par rapport à la Publication des Annonces Officielles (1942).

Ordonnance provisoire par rapport à la Publication des Annonces Officielles (1944).

Ordonnance provisoire par rapport à la Publication de certaines Annonces Officielles y compris celles relatives à la Défense du Bailliage de l'Île de Guernesey (1944).

Ordonnance provisoire relative à la Publication des Annonces Officielles, 1945.

¹ Previously, provisions for citing together the Official Publications Ordinances, 1936 to 1973 were made in the Official Publications Ordinance, 1950, section 2, with effect from 19th April, 1950; and the Official Publications (Amendment) Ordinance, 1965, section 4, with effect from 1st November, 1965.