

1970 No. 865

LAND REGISTRATION

The Land Registration (District Registries) Order 1970

Made - - - - 1st June 1970
Coming into Operation 1st October 1970

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 132 and 133 of the Land Registration Act 1925(a), and with the concurrence of the Treasury, hereby makes the following Order:—

Title, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Land Registration (District Registries) Order 1970 and shall come into operation on 1st October 1970.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—

“the Act” means the Land Registration Act 1925 ;

“application” means an application made or delivered under the Land Registration Rules 1925(c) and the Land Registration (Official Searches) Rules 1969(d), and includes a notice or other instrument so made or delivered ;

“district registry” means a district registry of the Land Registry within the meaning of section 132 of the Act ;

“the Schedule” means the Schedule to this Order.

District Registries

2.—(1) There shall continue to be district registries bearing the names and at the places specified in column 1 of the Schedule.

(2) Each district registry shall be the proper office for the registration of titles to land and for the delivery of any application relating to land in its district, which shall comprise the administrative areas specified opposite its name in columns 2 and 3 of the Schedule :

Provided that the administrative county of Staffordshire and the county boroughs of Burton upon Trent, Dudley, Stoke-on-Trent, Walsall, West Bromwich and Wolverhampton shall not form part of the district of the Gloucester District Land Registry before 1st December 1970 and shall not form part of the district of the Nottingham District Land Registry on or after that date and the provisions of the Schedule shall be construed accordingly.

(a) 1925 c. 21.

(b) 1889 c. 63.

(c) S.R. & O. 1925/1093 (Rev. XII, p. 81; 1925, p. 717).

(d) S.I. 1969/1179 (1969 II, p. 3474).

(3) The district registrar appointed for each district shall have the powers and indemnity conferred by section 133 of the Act :

Provided that—

- (a) nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as giving a district registrar any powers or duties which are exercisable only by the Chief Land Registrar ; and
- (b) all powers and duties of the district registrar shall be exercised under the general direction and authority of the Chief Land Registrar.

Delivery of instruments and applications at the proper office

3. No application shall be duly delivered until it is delivered at the proper office, namely :—

- (a) where an application relates to land wholly within a district, the district registry for that district ;
- (b) where an application relates to land in two or more districts, any one of the district registries for those districts.

Revocation

4. The Land Registration (District Registries) Order 1969(a) is hereby revoked.

Dated 27th May 1970.

Gardiner, C.

We concur,

Dated 1st June 1970.

Walter Harrison,

E. G. Perry,

Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

SCHEDULE
DISTRICT REGISTRIES

1 District Registry	2 Administrative Counties	3 County Boroughs, London Boroughs, etc.
The Croydon District Land Registry at Croydon		Bexley Bromley Croydon Greenwich Kingston upon Thames Lambeth Lewisham Merton Richmond upon Thames Southwark Sutton Wandsworth
The Durham District Land Registry at Durham	Durham Northumberland Yorkshire, East Riding Yorkshire, North Riding	Darlington Gateshead Hartlepool Kingston upon Hull Newcastle upon Tyne South Shields Sunderland Teesside Tynemouth York
The Gloucester District Registry at Gloucester	Berkshire Gloucestershire Hampshire Isle of Wight Oxfordshire Staffordshire (on and after 1st December 1970)	Bournemouth Bristol Gloucester Oxford Portsmouth Reading Southampton Burton upon Trent Dudley Stoke-on-Trent Walsall West Bromwich Wolverhampton

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1 District Registry	2 Administrative Counties	3 County Boroughs, London Boroughs, etc.
The Harrow District Land Registry at Harrow-on-the-Hill		The City of London The Inner Temple and the Middle Temple Barking Barnet Brent Camden City of Westminster Ealing Enfield Hackney Hammersmith Haringey Harrow Havering Hillingdon Hounslow Islington Kensington and Chelsea Newham Redbridge Tower Hamlets Waltham Forest
The Lytham District Land Registry at Lytham St. Annes	Cheshire Cumberland Herefordshire Lancashire Monmouthshire Shropshire Westmorland All the counties in Wales	Barrow-in-Furness Birkenhead Blackburn Blackpool Bolton Bootle Burnley Bury Carlisle Chester Liverpool Manchester Newport Oldham Preston Rochdale St. Helens Salford Southport Stockport Wallasey Warrington Wigan All the county boroughs in Wales

1 District Registry	2 Administrative Counties	3 County Boroughs, London Boroughs, etc.
The Nottingham District Land Registry at Nottingham	Derbyshire Leicestershire Nottinghamshire Warwickshire Worcestershire Yorkshire, West Riding — Staffordshire (only before 1st Dec- ember 1970)	Barnsley Birmingham Bradford Coventry Derby Dewsbury Doncaster Halifax Huddersfield Leeds Leicester Nottingham Rotherham Sheffield Solihull Wakefield Warley Worcester — Burton upon Trent Dudley Stoke-on-Trent Walsall West Bromwich Wolverhampton
The Plymouth District Land Registry at Plymouth	Cornwall Devon Dorset Somerset Wiltshire	Bath Exeter Plymouth Torbay
The Stevenage District Land Registry at Stevenage	Bedfordshire Buckinghamshire Cambridgeshire and Isle of Ely Essex Hertfordshire Huntingdon and Peterborough Lincoln, parts of Holland Lincoln, parts of Kesteven Lincoln, parts of Lindsey Norfolk Northamptonshire Rutland Suffolk, East Suffolk, West	Great Yarmouth Grimsby Ipswich Lincoln Luton Northampton Norwich Southend-on-Sea
The Tunbridge Wells District Land Registry at Tunbridge Wells	Kent Surrey Sussex, East Sussex, West	Brighton Canterbury Eastbourne Hastings

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, which replaces the Land Registration (District Registries) Order 1969, transfers responsibility for the registration of titles in the West Riding of Yorkshire, Barnsley, Bradford, Dewsbury, Doncaster, Halifax, Huddersfield, Leeds, Rotherham, Sheffield and Wakefield from the Durham to the Nottingham District Land Registry as from 1st October 1970 and in Staffordshire, Burton upon Trent, Dudley, Stoke-on-Trent, Walsall, West Bromwich and Wolverhampton from the Nottingham to the Gloucester District Land Registry as from 1st December 1970. The areas of the remaining district registries at Croydon, Harrow, Lytham St. Annes, Plymouth, Stevenage and Tunbridge Wells are unchanged.

The Order continues the requirement that applications for the registration of titles shall be delivered at the appropriate district registry as defined in the Order.

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