
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 1417

The Land Registration Rules 2003

PART 15

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Land Registry—when open to public

Days on which the Land Registry is open to the public

216.—^[F1](1) Subject to paragraph (2), the land registry shall be open to the public daily except on—

- (a) Saturdays, Sundays, Christmas Day and Good Friday, or
- (b) any other day—
 - (i) specified or declared by proclamation under section 1 of the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971,
 - (ii) appointed by the ^[F2]Secretary of State, or
 - (iii) certified as an interrupted day under paragraph (6).]

(2) If the registrar is satisfied that adequate arrangements have been made or will be in place for opening the land registry to the public on Saturdays, he may, in such manner as he considers appropriate, give notice to that effect.

(3) On and after the date specified in any notice given pursuant to paragraph (2), paragraph (1) shall have effect as though the word “Saturdays” had been omitted.

(4) The date referred to in paragraph (3) must be at least eight weeks after the date of the notice.

(5) On and after the date specified in any notice given pursuant to paragraph (2), the periods in column 3 in the table below are substituted for the periods in column 2 in that table in the rules to which they relate.

<i>(1) Rule</i>	<i>(2) Prescribed period before any notice given under rule 216(2) takes effect</i>	<i>(3) Prescribed period after any notice given under rule 216(2) takes effect</i>
16(1)	Twenty business days	twenty-four business days
31(2)	the twentieth business day	the twenty-fourth business day
53(1)	the fifteenth business day	the eighteenth business day
53(1)	the thirtieth business day	the thirty-sixth business day
53(3)	the thirtieth business day	the thirty-sixth business day
53(4)	the fifteenth business day	the eighteenth business day

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54(9)	the fourth business day	the fourth business day
55(4)	fifteen business days	Eighteen business days
86(3)	the fifteenth business day	the eighteenth business day
86(3)	the thirtieth business day	the thirty-sixth business day
86(5)	the thirtieth business day	the thirty-sixth business day
86(6)	the fifteenth business day	the eighteenth business day
92(9)	the fifteenth business day	the eighteenth business day
119(3)	the twentieth business day	the twenty-fourth business day
189	the sixty-fifth business day	the seventy-eighth business day
197(2)	the fifteenth business day	the eighteenth business day
201(5)	the twentieth business day	the twenty-fourth business day
202(3)	the twentieth business day	the twenty-fourth business day
202(8)	the twentieth business day	the twenty-fourth business day
218	the fifteenth business day	the eighteenth business day

[^{F3}(6) The registrar may certify any day as an interrupted day if he is satisfied that on that day there is likely to be—

- (a) a general delay in, or failure of, a communication service in England and Wales, or
- (b) any other event or circumstance,

causing a substantial interruption in the normal operation of the land registry.

(7) The registrar must give notice of any certification under paragraph (6) in such manner as he considers appropriate.

(8) Any certification under paragraph (6) must take place before the start of the day being certified.

(9) In this rule, “communication service” means a service by which documents may be sent and delivered and includes a post service, a document exchange service and electronic communications.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Rule 216(1) substituted (10.11.2008) by [The Land Registration \(Amendment\) Rules 2008 \(S.I. 2008/1919\)](#), rule 2(1), **Sch. 1 para. 73(a)** (with rule 5)
- F2** Words in rule 216(1)(b)(ii) substituted (9.11.2011) by [The Transfer of Functions \(Her Majesty's Land Registry, the Meteorological Office and Ordnance Survey\) Order 2011 \(S.I. 2011/2436\)](#), art. 1(2), **Sch. 2 para. 8(2)**
- F3** Rule 216(6)-(9) added (10.11.2008) by [The Land Registration \(Amendment\) Rules 2008 \(S.I. 2008/1919\)](#), rule 2(1), **Sch. 1 para. 73(b)** (with rule 5)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Rule 216(1)(b)(ii): transfer of functions (9.11.2011) by [The Transfer of Functions \(Her Majesty's Land Registry, the Meteorological Office and Ordnance Survey\) Order 2011 \(S.I. 2011/2436\)](#), art. 1(2), **Sch. 1 para. 5(a)**

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