

---

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

---

**2003 No. 2040**

**LAND REGISTRATION, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Land Registration (Proper Office) Order 2003**

*Made* - - - - *2nd August 2003*  
*Laid before Parliament* *7th August 2003*  
*Coming into force* - - *13th October 2003*

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the power conferred on him by section 100(3) of the Land Registration Act 2002<sup>(1)</sup>, hereby makes the following Order—

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Land Registration (Proper Office) Order 2003 and shall come into force on 13th October 2003.

**Applications to which this Order applies**

2.—(1) This Order applies to any application to the registrar except an application delivered to the registrar—

- (a) in accordance with a written arrangement as to delivery made between the registrar and the applicant or between the registrar and the applicant's conveyancer, or
- (b) under the provisions of any relevant notice given under Schedule 2 to the Land Registration Rules 2003<sup>(2)</sup>.

(2) In this article "conveyancer" means—

- (a) a solicitor, or
- (b) a licensed conveyancer within the meaning of section 11(2) of the Administration of Justice Act 1985<sup>(3)</sup>, or
- (c) a fellow of the Institute of Legal Executives.

**Designation of the proper office**

3. The proper office for the receipt of an application to which this Order applies is any office of the land registry specified in column 1 of the Schedule which is opposite an administrative area

---

(1) 2002 c. 9.  
(2) S.I.2003/1417.  
(3) 1985 c. 51.

---

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

---

shown in column 2 of the Schedule in which the land to which that application relates is wholly or partly situated.

Signed by authority of the Lord Chancellor

2nd August 2003

*David Lammy*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,  
Department for Constitutional Affairs

SCHEDULE

Article 3

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Office of the land registry</i>	<i>Administrative Area</i>
Land Registry, Birkenhead (Old Market) Office	Merseyside
	Staffordshire
	Stoke-on-Trent
Land Registry, Birkenhead (Rosebrae) Office	Cheshire
	Halton
	Hammersmith and Fulham
	Kensington and Chelsea
	Warrington
Land Registry, Coventry Office	West Midlands
	Worcestershire
Land Registry, Croydon Office	Bexley
	Bromley
	Croydon
	Kingston upon Thames
	Merton
	Sutton
	Land Registry, Durham (Boldon) Office
Land Registry, Durham (Southfield) Office	Surrey
	Darlington
	Durham
	Hartlepool
	Middlesbrough
	Northumberland
	Redcar and Cleveland
	Stockton-on-Tees
	Tyne and Wear

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Office of the land registry</i>	<i>Administrative Area</i>
Land Registry, Gloucester Office	Bracknell Forest
	Bristol
	Gloucestershire
	Oxfordshire
	Reading
	Slough
	South Gloucestershire
	Warwickshire
	West Berkshire
	Windsor and Maidenhead
	Wokingham
Land Registry, Harrow Office	Brent
	Camden
	City of Westminster
	The City of London
	Harrow
	Islington
	The Inner Temple and the Middle Temple
Land Registry, Kingston Upon Hull Office	Kingston upon Hull
	Lincolnshire
	Norfolk
	North East Lincolnshire
	North Lincolnshire
	Suffolk
Land Registry, Lancashire	Blackburn with Darwen
	Blackpool

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Office of the land registry</i>	<i>Administrative Area</i>
Land Registry, Leicester Office	Lancashire
	Buckinghamshire
	Leicester
	Leicestershire
	Milton Keynes
	Northamptonshire
	Rutland
	Greater Manchester
	Nottingham
	Nottinghamshire
Land Registry, Lytham Office	South Yorkshire
	Derby
	Derbyshire
	West Yorkshire
	Bedfordshire
Land Registry, Nottingham (East) Office	Cambridgeshire
	Essex
	Luton
	Peterborough
	Southend-on-Sea
	Thurrock
	Bath and North East Somerset
	Cornwall
	Devon
	Isles of Scilly
Land Registry, Nottingham (West) Office	North Somerset
	Plymouth
Land Registry, Peterborough Office	
Land Registry, Plymouth Office	

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Office of the land registry</i>	<i>Administrative Area</i>
	Somerset: Sedgemoor Taunton Deane West Somerset
	Torbay
Land Registry, Portsmouth Office	Brighton and Hove
	East Sussex
	Hampshire: East Hampshire Havant
	Isle of Wight
	Portsmouth
	West Sussex
Land Registry, Stevenage Office	Barking and Dagenham
	Hackney
	Havering
	Hertfordshire
	Newham
	Redbridge
	Tower Hamlets
	Waltham Forest
Land Registry, Swansea Office	Barnet
Cofrestrfa Tir Swyddfa	Ealing
Abertawe	Enfield
	Haringey
	Hillingdon
	Hounslow
Land Registry, Telford Office	Greenwich
	Herefordshire

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Office of the land registry</i>	<i>Administrative Area</i>
	Lambeth
	Lewisham
	Richmond upon Thames
	Shropshire
	Southwark
	The Wrekin
	Wandsworth
Land Registry, Tunbridge Wells Office	Kent
	Medway
Land Registry, Wales Office	All counties and county boroughs in Wales
Cofrestrfa Tir Swyddfa Cymru	
Land Registry, Weymouth Office	Bournemouth
	Dorset
	Hampshire:
	Basingstoke & Deane
	Eastleigh
	Fareham
	Gosport
	Hart
	New Forest
	Rushmoor
	Test Valley
	Winchester
	Poole
	Somerset:
	Mendip
	South Somerset
	Southampton
	Swindon
	Wiltshire
Land Registry, York Office	East Riding of Yorkshire
	North Yorkshire

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

---

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Office of the land registry</i>	<i>Administrative Area</i>
	York

---

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order designates particular offices of the land registry as the proper office for the receipt of specified descriptions of application under the Land Registration Act 2002 (2002 c. 9).