

STATES OF JERSEY



STATES OF JERSEY LAW 2005: DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS – LAND AND PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

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by the Minister for Treasury and Resources**

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REPORT

On 22nd December 2005, the Minister for Treasury and Resources made a decision delegating certain of his functions under Standing Orders.

The terms of the delegation were recorded in a ministerial decision as follows –

In accordance with Article 28 of the States of Jersey Law the Treasury and Resources Minister delegates –

- (A) to the Assistant Minister, Treasury and Resources all powers and responsibilities arising under Standing Order 168; and
- (B) to the Director, Property Holdings, and in his absence the Assistant Director, the power to approve –
 1. Any acquisition or disposal of land or property on behalf of the public for a consideration of less than £150,000;
 2. Any grant or acceptance on behalf of the public of any servitude or right in, on, over or under land by way of gift or for a sum of less than £50,000 or £12,500 a year;
 3. The letting on behalf of the public to any person or body for a term certain of any land or property for a rent payable on commencement of less than £50,000 a year;
 4. The rent on behalf of the public from any person or body for a term certain of any land or property for a rent payable on commencement of less than £50,000 a year; and
 5. The renewal, extension or variation of any lease where the value is less than £50,000 a year.

The delegated powers are granted in order to allow land decisions to be taken quickly and on the basis of recommendations made by the Property Holdings Department, the principal body established by the States to manage land and buildings owned by the public of Jersey.

Irrespective of the transaction value the Assistant Minister and/or officers should refer any matters they consider to be contentious to the Minister.

The value thresholds reflect the limits above which land transactions were previously referred to the States for approval.