

STATES OF JERSEY



MEETINGS OF THE STATES IN 2023

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by the Privileges and Procedures Committee**

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REPORT

The Privileges and Procedures Committee (PPC) is required to fix dates for States Assembly meetings for the following year no later than the end of September each year. Following a decision taken by PPC a number of years ago, the dates are drafted to avoid meetings during any school holiday periods. In 2023, School term dates are as follows:

- Spring term: 5th January to 31st March (half term 13th to 17th February)
- Summer term: 17th April to 21st July (half term 30th May to 2nd June)
- Autumn term: 4th September to 19th December (half term 23rd October to 27th October)

Standing Orders 3 and 4 provide that –

3 Sessions of the States

- (1) There shall be 2 sessions of the States in each year during which they shall meet;
- (2) The 1st session shall start on the 3rd Tuesday in January and end no later than the last Tuesday in July;
- (3) The 2nd session shall start on the 2nd Tuesday in September and end no later than the 3rd Tuesday in December.

4 Planning days for meetings of the States

- (1) The PPC shall, no later than the end of September in each year, present to the States a list of days for meetings of the States in the 1st and 2nd sessions in the following year;
- (2) Ordinarily, a meeting day is a Tuesday;
- (3) The list may include continuation days.

In 2021, the States Assembly agreed to move to a 3 weekly cycle by adopting [P.74/2021](#) ([‘States Meetings: Move to a Three-Week Cycle’](#)). Therefore, the meeting dates for 2023 are detailed as an Appendix to this Report. School holidays have been avoided and the dates provide for 16 meetings (plus Liberation Day) including Friday as an additional continuation day.

As required by Standing Orders, the first meeting of 2023 will be on 17th January which is the third Tuesday of January. The 3 weekly cycle continues throughout the Spring term, avoiding meeting during the Spring half term (13th – 17th February). If the 3 weekly cycle was to follow, the meeting day would fall on the 11th April which is during the Easter holidays (3rd April to 14th April), therefore, the Committee proposes to hold a meeting after the holidays on 18th April. After Liberation Day, which falls on Tuesday 9th May, the States will then meet on 23rd May, avoiding the summer half term (30th May to 2nd June). The cycle continues until the last meeting before the summer recess, which will be on 18th July. The Committee proposes this date so as to avoid the school holidays (beginning 21st July).

As required by [Standing Orders of the States of Jersey](#), the first meeting of the second session will be on the second Tuesday in September, namely 12th September 2023. The

meetings will continue however, the Committee proposes that a meeting is held on 18th October, rather than 24th October in order to avoid meeting during the Autumn Half Term (23rd October – 27th October). The three-weekly cycle will then continue until the final meeting of 2023, which will commence on 12th December 2023. The schools break for Christmas on 19th December 2023.

The first meeting of 2024 will be on Tuesday 16th January 2024.

States of Jersey
States Assembly



États de Jersey
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2023 SESSIONS

In accordance with Standing Order 38, I hereby give notice that the Privileges and Procedures Committee has fixed the following days for the holding of meetings of the States in 2023.

First Session

Continuation (if necessary)

January 17th	January 18th, 19th and 20th
February 7th	February 8th, 9th and 10th
February 28th	March 1st, 2nd and 3rd
March 21st	March 22nd, 23rd and 24th
April 18th	April 19th, 20th and 21st
May 2nd	May 3rd, 4th and 5th
May 9th (Liberation Day)	
May 23rd	May 24th, 25th and 26th
June 13th	June 14th, 15th and 16th
July 4th	July 5th, 6th and 7th
July 18th	July 19th, 20th and 21st

Second Session

Continuation (if necessary)

September 12th	September 13th, 14th and 15th
October 3rd	October 4th, 5th and 6th
October 17th	October 18th, 19th and 20th
November 7th	November 8th, 9th and 10th
November 28th	November 29th, 30th and December 1st
December 12th	December 13th, 14th and 15th

The first meeting of 2024 will be on 16th January 2024.

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Re-issue Note

This report was re-issued to fix a date error in the Continuation table.
