

Jersey Law 23/1999

**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (PRESCRIPTION OF OFFENCES)
(JERSEY) LAW 1999**

A LAW to reform the law governing the prescription of criminal offences; sanctioned by Order of Her Majesty in Council of the

22nd day of JUNE 1999

(Registered on the 23rd day of July 1999)

STATES OF JERSEY

The 13th day of April 1999

THE STATES, subject to the sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, have adopted the following Law –

ARTICLE 1

Definition of offence

- (1) In this Law, “an offence” means –
 - (a) a *crime*;
 - (b) a *délit*; or
 - (c) a contravention of an enactment.

(2) A reference in this Law to an enactment includes an enactment of the United Kingdom extended to or otherwise having force of law in the Bailiwick.

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ARTICLE 2

Abolition of period of prescription

Subject to the provisions of any other enactment, the time within which proceedings may be instituted in respect of an offence shall be without limit:

Provided that nothing in this Article shall revive any proceedings which were barred by prescription before the commencement of this Law.

ARTICLE 3

Repeals

Articles 2 and 3 of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Jersey) Law 1978¹ are repealed.

ARTICLE 4

Amendments

The enactments in the first column of the Schedule to this Law shall be amended to the extent described in the second column opposite each of those enactments.

ARTICLE 5

Short title

This Law may be cited as the Criminal Procedure (Prescription of Offences) (Jersey) Law 1999.

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¹ Volume 1975–1978, pages 483 and 484.

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SCHEDULE

First column

Second column

Enactment

Extent of repeal

Loi (1842) sur l'Etat Civil²

In Article 67:

Delete the words “, et sera instituée dans les trois ans de l’infraction”.

Loi (1845) sur la régie des impôts³

In Article 49:

Delete the words “, mais les actions pour infraction des Règlements ne pourront être instituées après an et jour de l’infraction”.

Loi (1934) sur la régie et le mode de perception de l’impôt sur le tabac⁴

In Article 26:

Delete the words “, mais les actions pour infraction de ces règlements ne pourront être instituées après an et jour de l’infraction”.

*Revenue Duty on Oils and Spirits
(Administration) (Jersey) Law 1940⁵*

In Article 27:

Delete the words “, but no such proceedings shall be instituted more than three years after the cause of action arose or the infraction was committed, as the case may be”.

Borrowing (Control) (Jersey) Law

In the Schedule:

² Tomes I-III, page 118.

³ Tomes I-III, page 167.

⁴ Tome VII, page 95.

⁵ Tome VII, page 331.

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1947 ⁶	Repeal sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph (3)
Motor Traffic (Third Party Insurance) (Jersey) Law 1948 ⁷	In Article 2: Repeal paragraph (4)
Housing (Jersey) Law 1949 ⁸	Article 14: Repeal paragraphs (3) and (4)
Oil in Territorial Waters (Jersey) Law 1950 ⁹	In Article 6: Repeal paragraph (1)
Pharmacy, Poisons and Medicines (Jersey) Law 1952 ¹⁰	In Article 27: Repeal paragraphs (3) and (4)
Firearms (Jersey) Law 1956 ¹¹	Repeal Article 30
Income Tax (Jersey) Law 1961 ¹²	Repeal Article 140
Food and Drugs (Jersey) Law 1966 ¹³	Repeal Article 50
Health Insurance (Jersey) Law 1967 ¹⁴	In Article 45: Repeal paragraphs (1) and (2)
Family Allowances (Jersey) Law 1972 ¹⁵	Article 23: Repeal paragraphs (1) and (2)
Customs and Excise (General Provisions) (Jersey) Law 1972 ¹⁶	Repeal Article 61

⁶ Tome VII, page 391.

⁷ Tome VII, page 485.

⁸ Tome VII, page 543.

⁹ Tome VII, page 652.

¹⁰ Tome VIII, page 139.

¹¹ Tome VIII, page 492.

¹² Volume 1961–1, page 298.

¹³ Volume 1966–1967, page 198.

¹⁴ Volume 1966–1967, page 578.

¹⁵ Volume 1970–1972, page 428.

¹⁶ Volume 1970–1972, page 493.

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Attendance Allowance (Jersey) Law 1973 ¹⁷	In Article 11: Repeal paragraphs (1) and (2)
Agricultural Land (Control of Sales and Leases) (Jersey) Law 1974 ¹⁸	In Article 7: Repeal paragraphs (3) and (4)
Social Security (Jersey) Law 1974 ¹⁹	In Article 37: Repeal paragraphs (1) and (2)
Invalid Care and Disability Allowances (Jersey) Law 1978 ²⁰	In Article 14: Repeal paragraphs (1) and (2)
Misuse of Drugs (Jersey) Law 1978 ²¹	Repeal Article 28
Collective Investment Funds (Jersey) Law 1988 ²²	In Article 15: Repeal paragraphs (4) and (5)
Banking Business (Jersey) Law 1991 ²³	Article 49: Repeal paragraphs (4) and (5)
Medicines (Jersey) Law 1995 ²⁴	Repeal Article 108
Insurance Business (Jersey) Law 1996 ²⁵	Article 37: Repeal paragraphs (7) and (8)
Disability Transport Allowances (Jersey) Law 1997 ²⁶	In Article 12: Repeal paragraphs (1) and (2)

¹⁷ Volume 1973–1974, page 54.

¹⁸ Volume 1973–1974, page 253.

¹⁹ Volume 1973–1974, page 350.

²⁰ Volume 1975–1978, page 443.

²¹ Volume 1975–1978, page 468.

²² Volume 1988–1989, page 155.

²³ Volume 1990–1991, page 540.

²⁴ Volume 1994–1995, page 567.

²⁵ Volume 1996–1997, page 127.

²⁶ Volume 1996–1997, page 497.

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Investment Business (Jersey) Law
1998²⁷

In Article 38:
Repeal paragraphs (7) and
(8)

²⁷ Volume 1998, page 572.