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A LAW to require the registration of architects and to provide for matters incidental thereto

Commencement [[see endnotes](#)]

1 Interpretation¹

(1) In this Law, unless the context otherwise requires –

“Architects Act” means the Architects (Registration) Act 1931 of the United Kingdom;

“Architects’ Registration Council” means the Architects’ Registration Council of the United Kingdom established for the purposes of the Architects Act;

“Court” means the Inferior Number of the Royal Court;

“registered person” means a person registered as an architect in pursuance of this Law;

“Register of Architects” means the Register of Architects kept in pursuance of the Architects Act.

(2) A person shall not, for the purposes of this Law, be treated as not practising by reason only that the person is in the employment of another person.

2 Restriction on use of title “Architect”

(1) Subject to the provisions of this Law, it shall not be lawful for any person to practise or carry on business under any name, style or title containing the word “architect” unless the person is a registered person:

Provided that nothing in this Article shall be deemed to affect –

- (a) the use of the designation “Naval architect”, “Landscape architect” or “Golf-course architect”; or
 - (b) the validity of any building contract in customary form.²
- (2) If any person acts in contravention of the provisions of this Article, the person shall be liable in respect of each offence to a fine not exceeding £500 and, in the case of a continuing offence, to a further fine not exceeding £50 for every day on which the offence continues after conviction.³

3 Registration

- (1) No person shall be entitled to be registered as an architect in pursuance of this Law unless the person is duly registered as an architect in pursuance of the Architects Act.⁴
- (2) An application for registration as an architect in pursuance of this Law shall be made to the Court and shall be accompanied –
- (a) by a certificate signed on behalf of the Architects’ Registration Council, stating that the applicant is registered in the Register of Architects and specifying the qualifications by virtue of which the applicant was so registered; or
 - (b) by such other evidence that the applicant is duly registered as an architect in pursuance of the Architects Act as the Court may require.
- (3) Where the applicant is an alien, the Court may require the applicant to produce a duly authenticated certificate of good character.
- (4) The qualifications by virtue of which a person is registered as an architect in pursuance of this Law shall be set out in the act of the Court ordering the registration.

4 Power of Court to refuse, suspend or cancel registration

- (1) Where, in the opinion of the Court, an applicant for registration in pursuance of this Law or a registered person has been convicted of any such criminal offence or has been guilty of such misconduct as, in the opinion of the Court, renders it undesirable that the applicant or registered person should be entitled to practise as an architect, the Court may, on the motion of the Attorney General, refuse to register the applicant or, as the case may be, suspend or cancel the registration of the person registered.
- (2) Any decision of the Court in pursuance of paragraph (1) may, either on the motion of the Attorney General or on the application of the person concerned, be varied by a subsequent decision.

5 Procedure where name of architect removed from or restored to Register of Architects

- (1) The Court, on the motion of the Attorney General, shall order that the registration of any registered person be cancelled where the Architects’

Registration Council has caused the name of that person to be removed from the Register of Architects.

- (2) Where the Architects' Registration Council has caused the name of any person, in respect of whom an order under this Article has been made, to be restored to the Register of Architects, the Court shall, on the application of the person concerned, rescind the said order.

6 List of registered persons to be kept

The Judicial Greffier shall make and keep posted in the Lobby of the Royal Court House, a list of registered persons, showing their names and addresses and the qualifications by virtue of which they were registered in pursuance of this Law.

7 Penalty for fraudulently obtaining registration

If any person wilfully procures or attempts to procure himself or herself to be registered as an architect in pursuance of this Law by making or producing or causing to be made or produced any false or fraudulent representation or declaration, either verbally or in writing, or any false or fraudulent certificate, the person shall in respect of each offence be liable to a fine not exceeding £1,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year, or to both such fine and such imprisonment.⁵

8 Saving for co-operative societies, etc.

Nothing in this Law shall prevent a body corporate, firm or partnership from carrying on business under the style or title of architect—

- (a) if the business of the body corporate, firm or partnership so far as it relates to architecture is under the control and management of a superintendent who is a registered person and who does not act at the same time in a similar capacity for any other body corporate, firm or partnership; and
- (b) if in every premises where such business as aforesaid is carried on and is not personally conducted by the superintendent, such business is conducted under the direction of the superintendent by an assistant who is a registered person.

9 Citation

This Law may be cited as the Architects (Registration) (Jersey) Law 1954.

ENDNOTES**Table of Legislation History**

Legislation	Year and No	Commencement
Architects (Registration) (Jersey) Law 1954	L.16/1954	21 August 1954
Architects (Registration) (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 1986	L.27/1986	12 December 1986

Table of Renumbered Provisions

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4	repealed by L.27/1986
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Table of Endnote References

- ¹ Article 1(1) *definition “the appointed day” deleted by L.27/1986*
- ² Article 2(1) *amended by L.27/1986*
- ³ Article 2(2) *amended by L.27/1986*
- ⁴ Article 3(1) *amended by L.27/1986*
- ⁵ Article 7 *amended by L.27/1986*