



Friendly Societies Act 1896

1896 CHAPTER 25

APPLICATION OF ACT

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This Act shall apply to the Channel Islands as if they were part of England, subject to the following variations :—

- (1) As respects the Island of Jersey,
 - (a) The expression " county court " shall mean the court for the recovery of petty debts, in all cases in which the claim or demand shall not exceed the sum of ten pounds sterling, and in all other cases the inferior number of the Royal Court of the said island, composed of the bailiff and two jurats of the said court:
 - (b) The expression " court of summary jurisdiction " shall have in civil cases the same meaning as the expression county court:
 - (c) All misdemeanors under this Act shall be prosecuted, tried, and punished in the form and manner prescribed by the law and custom of the said island with respect to crimes and offences (*crimes et délits*):
 - (d) All other offences and all fines under this Act shall be prosecuted and recovered summarily before the magistrate of the court for the repression of minor offences, in all cases of his competency, at the suit or instance, except in the case of a complaint under section eighty-seven of this Act, of the constable of the parish in which the offence or other unlawful act has been committed, and in all other cases before the bailiff and two jurats of the Royal Court, at the suit or instance (except as aforesaid) of Her Majesty's Procurator General for the said island :
 - (e) All fines recovered under this Act shall be paid to the officers who by the law and practice of the said island are entitled to receive fines levied by order of the said courts respectively, and shall by such officers be accounted for and paid to Her Majesty's Receiver General in the said island on behalf of the Crown:
 - (f) All proceedings under this Act in any of the courts of the said island shall be regulated according to the ordinary practice of those courts respectively, and all fines shall in default of payment be enforced in the same manner as fines payable to the Crown in the said island:

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- (g) The rules prescribed by the law of the said island with respect to appeals in civil and criminal cases shall be followed as to appeals from any orders, judgments, or convictions made in cases of summary jurisdiction under this Act:
 - (h) The expression " the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1890," shall mean the law for the time being in force in the said island for the formation, regulation, and winding up of companies :
 - (i) All friendly societies and branches within the bailiwick of the said island may invest any part of their funds in any of the public funds under the guarantee of the states of the said island.
- (2) As respects the bailiwick of the Island of Guernsey:
- (a) The Court of Primary Instance within the bailiwick shall have all such powers and authorities as are by this Act conferred either on courts of summary jurisdiction or on county courts in England: Provided that a sentence may be appealed from, if the case admits of an appeal under the Orders in Council now in force within the bailiwick, but that the decision of the Royal Court when sitting in a body as a court of appeal shall be final:
 - (b) All friendly societies and branches within the bailiwick shall be authorised to invest any part of their funds in the state bonds either of Guernsey or of Alderney:
 - (c) The expression " the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1890," shall mean the law for the time being in force in the said bailiwick for the regulation and winding up of companies:
 - (d) All offences and fines under this Act shall be prosecuted and recovered summarily before the court of primary jurisdiction at the suit or instance, except in the case of a complaint under section eighty-seven of this Act, of the law officers of the Crown or of a constable of a parish :
 - (e) All fines recovered under this Act shall be paid to the Receiver General, to be by him carried to the account of the Crown Revenue.