



At the Court at Buckingham Palace

THE 21st DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024

PRESENT,

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY
IN COUNCIL

**Royal Assent to Legislation (Delegation to Lieutenant-Governor)
(Bailiwick of Guernsey) Order 2024**

His Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of all the powers in His Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered for Himself, and His Heirs and Successors in Council, as follows:—

1. This Order in Council may be cited as the Royal Assent to Legislation (Delegation to Lieutenant-Governor) (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Order 2024 and shall come into operation on the 29th day of February 2024.
2. Subject to the provisions of Articles 3, 4 and 5, and upon recommendation by the Lord Chancellor, any Projets de Loi approved by the States of Deliberation, the States of Alderney or the Chief Pleas of Sark and wholly relating to the internal affairs of Guernsey, Alderney or Sark which would, before the coming into operation of this Order in Council, have been submitted for the assent of His Majesty in Council in accordance with the Royal Assent to Legislation and Petitions (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Order 2022, may be submitted to the Lieutenant-Governor who may assent to the Projet de Loi on behalf of His Majesty in Council.
3. The Lieutenant-Governor shall reserve for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure any Projet de Loi which the Lieutenant-Governor—
 - (a) considers should be so reserved; or
 - (b) is directed to so reserve by the Lord Chancellor.
4. The Lieutenant-Governor shall additionally consult the Lord Chancellor about the reservation of any Projet de Loi which in the opinion of the Lieutenant-Governor—
 - (a) deals wholly or partly with any of the following—

- (i) defence;
- (ii) international relations;
- (iii) nationality and citizenship;
- (iv) the powers and remuneration of the Lieutenant-Governor; or
- (v) the constitutional relationship between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the Bailiwick of Guernsey; or

(b) affects the Royal Prerogative or the rights of His Majesty in His private capacity.

5. Before the Lieutenant-Governor assents to any *Projet de Loi*, the Lieutenant-Governor must be satisfied that the Lord Chancellor has not directed that the *Projet de Loi* be reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure under Article 3(b).

6. The Lieutenant-Governor shall signify assent to a *Projet de Loi* by signing the Signification of Royal Assent and shall thereafter direct that the Signification and the *Projet de Loi* (a copy whereof shall be annexed to the Signification) be entered upon the Register of the Island of Guernsey and observed accordingly.

7. The Lieutenant-Governor shall not ordinarily postpone consideration of any *Projet de Loi* if a Petition is made against it and that Petition is received later than 28 days after its final approval by the relevant legislature of Guernsey, Alderney or Sark.

8. In this Order, "Lieutenant-Governor" means the Lieutenant-Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Island of Guernsey and its Dependencies (and includes the Deputy Lieutenant-Governor and any Acting Lieutenant-Governor where—

- (a) there is no Lieutenant-Governor in post; or
- (b) the Lieutenant-Governor is absent or unavailable for any other reason to perform the functions set out in this Order).

9. This Order will continue in effect for His Majesty's Heirs and Successors in Council, until He or They further Order.

Richard Tilbrook, CVO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order supplements the Royal Assent to Legislation and Petitions (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Order 2022.

On the basis that Projets de Loi approved by any of the legislatures of the Bailiwick of Guernsey, and wholly relating to their internal affairs should, upon the recommendation of the Lord Chancellor, normally be assented to by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Bailiwick (“the Lieutenant-Governor”) on behalf of His Majesty, this Order gives the Lieutenant-Governor power to grant delegated assent.

As part of the process of deciding whether this power can be exercised, the Lieutenant-Governor may, or must, reserve certain Projets de Loi for signification of His Majesty’s pleasure in Council.

Further, this Order promotes continuity and stability by continuing in effect for His Majesty’s Heirs and Successors in Council.