

LEGAL MATERIAL

Legal Reports (cases) – before 2002

In-text referencing

The earlier case ('R v. Edward (John)', 1991) ...

Reference List

'Name of case' (year) Title of legal case, volume number, p./pp. number/s.

'R v. Edward (John)' (1991) *Weekly Law Reports*, 1, pp. 207-208.

Notes

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Legal Cases – from 2002

In-text referencing

- In the case of 'Humphreys v. Revenue and Customs' (2012)... .

Reference List

'Name of parties involved in the case' (year) Court, Case Number Database or website, Available at: URL (accessed date: date).

'Humphreys v. Revenue and Customs' (2012) United Kingdom Supreme Court, case 18. *BAILII*. Available at: <http://www.bailii.org/uk/cases/UKSC/2012/18.html> (accessed date: 31 October 2020).

Notes

- Citation is different for Law reports (cases) before 2002
- From 2002, cases have been given a neutral citation that identifies the case without referring to the printed law report series in which the case was published. This helps to identify the case online. For example, through the freely available transcripts of the British and Irish Legal Information Institute (www.bailii.org) and databases including Westlaw and LexisLibrary.
- If you are using the neutral citation, also provide the publication in which the case was reported or the database or website that you used.

UK Statutes (Act of Parliament)

In-text referencing

The Act (*The Sale of Goods Act 1979*) states...

or

As stated in the Act (*Health and Social Care Act 2012*) ...

The section 4 of the Act (*Copyright Act 1968 (Cwlth)*) states...

or

As stated in section 4 of the Act (*Health and Social Care Act 2012*) ...

Reference List

Title of Act including year and chapter number Country/jurisdiction. Available at: URL (Accessed date:).

The Sale of Goods Act 1979. Available at: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1979/54> (Accessed: 14 October 2019).

Health and Social Care Act 2012, s. 4. Available at: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2012/7/contents/enacted> (Accessed: 12 October 2014).

Notes

- Title of legislation should be cited exactly, capitalisation unaltered regardless of the referencing style.
- First reference to an Act or Statutory Rule should be cited with their short formal title, in italics (*title*), exactly and in full. In subsequent references, title can be in **roman type** (not italicised) and date omitted.
- Titles of Acts of the parliaments of other countries should be presented in roman type (not italicised), e.g. Therapeutic Goods Act 1989 (Australia).
- Acts should be referenced as if in print even if viewed electronically.
- When citing a reference to a Section of an Act, the abbreviations 's.' and 'ss.' can be used, though they should never start a sentence.