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## THE 2011 FOI PUBLICATION SCHEMES



#### 2011 PUBLICATION SCHEME LIST

The following public authorities have updated their Publication Schemes in accordance with the Freedom of Information Law 2007 and the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing:

Cabinet Office

**Government Information Services** 

Computer Services Department

Portfolio of the Civil Service

Public Service Pensions Board

Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs

**Emergency Communications and Electronic Monitoring** 

Hazard Management Cayman Islands

Legislative Assembly Department

Department of Immigration

Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service

Royal Cayman Islands Police Service

**Elections Office** 

Department of Community Rehabilitation

**Commissions Secretariat** 

Civil Aviation Authority

Portfolio of Legal Affairs

Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development

Department of Tourism

Department of Planning

Cayman Islands Fire Service

Department of Commerce and Investment

Cayman Islands Government Office in the United Kingdom

General Registry

**Economics and Statistics Office** 

Her Majesty's Customs

Treasury Department

Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands

**Tourism Attraction Board** 

Cayman Airways Limited

Cayman Turtle Farm

Cayman Islands Airports Authority

Port Authority of the Cayman Islands

Cayman Islands Development Bank

Cayman Islands Monetary Authority

Tax Information Authority

Cayman Islands Stock Exchange

Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture

District Administration Department Cayman Brac

Department of Agriculture

Mosquito Research and Control Unit

Public Works Department

Cayman Islands Postal Service

Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing

Department of Vehicle and Equipment Services

Department of Environmental Health

Recreational Parks and Cemeteries Unit

Office of Telecommunications

Radio Cayman

Water Authority - Cayman

National Roads Authority

**Electricity Regulatory Authority** 

Information and Communications Technology Authority

Ministry of Education, Training and Employment

Department of Employment Relations

National Pensions Office

Education Standards and Assessment Unit

Sunrise Adult Training Centre

Public Library Service

Cayman Islands National Archive

University College of Cayman Islands

Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing

Department of Children and Family Services

Department of Counseling Services

National Housing Development Trust

Children and Youth Services (CAYS) Foundation

Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture

Department of Health Regulatory Services

Youth Services Unit

Department of Sports

Department of Environment

Cayman Islands Cadet Corps

**Health Services Authority** 

National Drug Council

Cayman Islands National Insurance Company

Cayman National Cultural Foundation

National Gallery of the Cayman Islands

Judicial Administration

The Governor's Office

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Office of the Complaints Commissioner

Information Commissioner's Office

Civil Service Appeals Commission



## **Publication Schemes**

## Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law, 2007 ("FOI Law") has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage public authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for:

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

This publication scheme commits the Cabinet Office to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

#### The Cabinet Office will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Cabinet Office will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Cabinet Office, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law or otherwise protected from disclosure for example:
  - personal information,
  - commercially sensitive information,
  - information which would prejudice international relations if disclosed, including dealings with governments of foreign nations,
  - information communicated in confidence by or on behalf of a foreign government or international organisation,
  - information which would adversely impact the Caymanian economy or Government's ability to manage the economy,
  - Cabinet minutes, or
  - opinions, advice or recommendations prepared for Cabinet.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible. However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it. For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, inhibit the free and frank exchange of views for the purposes of deliberation, or otherwise prejudice the effective conduct of public affairs.

A significant portion of the work that the Cabinet Office does is for meetings of Cabinet or Cabinet working committees, and therefore likely to be exempt under the FOI Law. While the exemption that is specific to Cabinet documents will exclude purely factual material, other

exemptions aim to protect the principle of collective responsibility of ministers and allow free and frank discussion of complex issues. Even if some information is exempt, disclosure may be required if there is substantial public interest.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted1 form where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply. If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the various methods described below. Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on www.cabinetoffice.gov.ky and can be downloaded in PDF format.

Additionally, the Freedom of Information Unit (FOI Unit) and the Constitutional Review Secretariat (CRS), which closed in November 2009, each have their own websites even though they fall directly within the purview of the Cabinet Office. Information specific to the functions and activities of the FOI Unit and CRS is available on www.foi.gov.ky and www.constitution.gov.ky, respectively. These websites can also be accessed through www.cabinetoffice.gov.ky, "What We Do."

Where information is available online, a PDF icon hyperlink within *section 7: Categories* of *information* will direct you to the relevant document or webpage. If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility.

If the "\ddash" symbol appears next to a listed document, that record is not available online at this time and should be requested from the Information Manager as detailed below.

If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact the Information Manager at foi.cab@gov.ky or (345) 244-2208.

#### <u>Email</u>

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. Email us at foi.cab@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call (345) 244-2208 to request information.

#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme, including that which is published online, will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Kim Bullings
Information Manager
Cabinet Office
2nd Floor Government Administration Building
Grand Cayman KY1-9000
CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

Though the Cabinet Office holds no records that can only be inspected on the premises, and there is therefore no need for a personal visit to access information, you may still chose to personally inspect documents listed in our publication scheme. Please contact the Information Manager at foi.cab@gov.ky or (345) 244-2208 to make an appointment.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact the Information Manager at foi.cab@gov.ky or (345) 244-2208.

The Cabinet Office will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Cabinet Office is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

#### 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Cabinet Office strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>. Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on a computer disc or other carrier medium. Charges will reflect actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below. All fees are quoted in Cayman Islands Dollars.

The Cabinet Office also charges for certain services in accordance with the Government Fees Law (2007 Revision) and other laws, including where documents are released to applicants. Those different types of fees are clearly outlined at the end of section 7: Categories of information under "Our Services" and these publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size). Digital records (text or image) released on computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2.00 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The Cabinet Office will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery. Information will be sent via parcel post with the Cayman Islands Postal Service unless the applicant requests another form of delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when we have received your payment. Requests for fee waivers may be submitted to the Information Manager.

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Cabinet Office that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing (letter, email or facsimile). Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Law.

We want to help you find the information that you are interested in, so to ensure quick and efficient processing of your request please include:

- A name (it does not have to be your real name),
- An address (email or postal),
- A description of the information being sought, and
- How you would like to receive the information.

You do not have to give a reason for your request, but please be as specific as possible about the information you would like, as this will help us to respond efficiently. Where possible, include a telephone number so we can call to discuss your request if necessary.

There is no fee to make an FOI request, and we will respond to your application promptly. The FOI Law requires public authorities to respond within 30 calendar days, allowing an extension of an additional 30 calendar days if needed. We will always acknowledge receipt of FOI requests within 10 calendar days and let you know if we need to extend the deadline.

An FOI Application Form is also available on our website or from our public authority. Before making a request, you should view the FOI Disclosure Log on our website to see if someone has already requested the information and what our decision was. More information about

making a request is available on our website, and for detailed advice on what kind of information is exempt or excluded from the FOI Law, please see the FOI Unit website.

#### 6. Complaints

The Cabinet Office aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure that our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Information Manager, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible. Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from the Internal Complaints Process section of our website or by contacting the Information Manager.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office 2nd Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building C George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: (345) 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

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#### **ABOUT US**

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The Information Manager is responsible for implementing the Freedom of Information Law and responding to FOI requests. To learn more about FOI visit www.foi.gov.ky.

#### **Organisation and Functions**

The Cabinet Office coordinates the weekly meetings of Government ministers, as well as special local, regional and international projects arising from these meetings. It includes the Secretariat, which primarily provides administrative and technical support to the Premier and to Cabinet meetings and projects; the Policy Coordination Unit; the Public Affairs Unit and the Immigration Appeals Tribunal.

The Cabinet Office also includes four units housed outside of the Office: the Protocol Office; Freedom of Information Unit; Temporary Housing Initiative; and Constitutional Review Secretariat, which closed in November 2009 following the passage of the 2009 Constitution.

Finally, the wider portfolio comprises two public authorities which maintain separate Publication Schemes: the Computer Services Department and Government Information Services.

#### Functions of the Cabinet Office include:

- Secretarial and administrative support for the Premier and the Cabinet, including
  - o Coordination of the collection and dissemination of information regarding the proceedings and decisions of Cabinet, and
  - Preparation of Cabinet submissions, ministerial briefings, responses to Parliamentary Questions, speeches and presentations;

- Administrative and secretarial support for the processing of—
  - Appeals under the Immigration Law (2007 Revision).
  - o Appeals under the Trade and Business Licensing Law (2007 Revision),
  - o Appeals under the Firearms Law (2008 Revision) and Firearms Regulations (1999 Revision),
  - Tax undertaking (exemption) certificates to exempted companies, trusts and limited partnerships under the Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision), Trusts Law (2007 Revision), Exempted Limited Partnership Law (2007 Revision) and Exempted Limited Partnership Regulations (2002 Revision);
- Liaising with the portfolio's units and other government agencies concerning policy development, coordination and implementation;
- Public affairs advice and services and promotion of public engagement with policy;
- Providing advice and support to government agencies with responsibility for protocol services;
- Facilitating the further administration of Freedom of Information and coordinating the development of Data Protection;
- Providing for the administration of the Temporary Housing Initiative, including the provision of social programmes and transition to permanent housing;
- Providing critical infrastructure support and management of government's information technology assets;
- Providing for a well-informed populace through the communication of information relating to the activities of government agencies, including support for proactive and responsive communication between government agencies and the public;
- Human resources management;
- Financial management; and
- Strategic management.

More information about the nature and scope of the activities of the Cabinet Office, as well as ownership performance targets and budgetary outputs, is available in the annual budget statements. An organisational chart is also available that explains how the Cabinet Office fits within the purview of the Governor, Premier and other Cabinet ministers and members.

#### **Cabinet Office Units**

Location and hours	Matters handled
Cabinet Secretariat 71A Elgin Avenue, George Town 2nd Floor Government Administration Bldg Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Tel: (345) 244-2208 Fax: (345) 946-1652 Website: www.cabinetoffice.gov.ky Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 5:00pm	<ul> <li>Arranging and providing secretarial support to Cabinet and subcommittees</li> <li>Advising on Cabinet meeting procedures</li> <li>Support services to the Premier</li> <li>Office of the Cabinet Secretary</li> <li>Tax exemption certificates</li> <li>Trade and Business Licensing appeals</li> <li>Firearms appeals</li> <li>Administration and Human Resources</li> </ul>
Policy Coordination Unit 71A Elgin Avenue, George Town 2nd Floor Government Administration Bldg Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Tel: (345) 244-2201	<ul> <li>Monitoring and reporting on international policy</li> <li>Provision of technical advice to Cabinet</li> <li>Liaison concerning policy development, coordination and implementation</li> </ul>

Or: (345) 244-2258 Fax: (345) 946-1652 Email: christina.rowlandson@gov.ky Or: garfield.ellison@gov.ky Website: www.cabinetoffice.gov.ky Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 5:00pm - Public affairs advice and assistance **Public Affairs Unit** 71A Elgin Avenue, George Town - Coordination of public relations and 4th Floor Government Administration Bldg community services Grand Cayman KY1-9000 - Development of strategies to promote and Tel: (345) 244-3602 monitor public engagement with policy Fax: (345) 946-4023 Email: suzette.ebanks@gov.ky Website: www.cabinetoffice.gov.ky Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 5:00pm Immigration Appeals Tribunal - Administrative and secretarial support for 71A Elgin Avenue, George Town the processing of Immigration Appeals 2nd Floor Government Administration Bldg - Work permits - Permanent residence Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Tel: (345) 244-2206 - Cavmanian status - Business staffing plans Or (345) 244-3605 Or: (345) 244-2256 - Political asylum Fax: (345) 946-1652 Email: hilmae.bodden@gov.ky Or: vvette.cacho@gov.kv Or: Jonina.whittaker-swanson@gov.ky Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 5:00pm Constitutional Review Secretariat - Oversight of the 2007 constitutional reform Closed office in November 2009 initiative, which culminated with the passage of the Cayman Islands Constitution Order Website: www.constitution.gov.ky 2009 Email: foi.cab@gov.ky Freedom of Information Unit - Facilitating and coordinating the 80D Shedden Road, George Town implementation of Freedom of Information 2nd Floor Building D, Elizabethan Square - Development of Data Protection Mail: c/o Government Administration Bldg. Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Tel: (345) 244-3609 Or (345) 244-3614 Or (345) 244-3607 Fax: (345) 947-5712 Email: foi@gov.ky

Website: www.foi.gov.ky

Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 5:00pm	
Protocol Office 80D Shedden Road, George Town 2nd Floor Building D, Elizabethan Square Mail: c/o Government Administration Bldg. Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Tel: (345) 244-3612 Fax: (345) 947-5712 Email: protocol@gov.ky Website: www.cabinetoffice.gov.ky Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 5:00pm	Advising government agencies on protocol     Ceremonial Event Management     Protocol intervention and airport liaison
Temporary Housing Initiative 80B Shedden Road, George Town 2nd Floor Building B, Elizabethan Square Mail: c/o Government Administration Bldg. Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Tel: (345) 947-2861 Fax: (345) 947-2438 Website: www.cabinetoffice.gov.ky Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 5:00pm	- Supervision of the housing programme for Hurricane Ivan homeless

## **Classes of Information**

A "class of information" is a way of collecting similar information. The Cabinet Office has grouped its classes of information into broad categories (or "functions") which reflect our outputs.

<u>Cabinet Office:</u> includes information held by the Cabinet Secretariat, Policy Coordination Unit, Public Affairs Unit and Immigration Appeals Tribunal.

FUNCTION	ACTIVITY	
Administrative Support to Cabinet	Proceedings of Cabinet	
	Authorisations	
	Communications – Internal & External	
	Policy	
	Publications	
	Licensing	
	Appeals (Trade & Business and Firearms)	
	Confirming	
	Registering	
Committee Support	Proceedings of the Immigration Appeals Tribunal	
	Advising	
	Establishment	
Departmental Management	Communications	
	Advising	

	Policy	
	Recovery Operations	
	Budget Coordination	
Information & Technology	Recording	
Management		
	Reviewing	
	Establishing	
Ministerial Servicing for the Premier	Policies and Procedures	
	Communications	
	Registering	
	Advising	
Human Resources Management	Development and Training	
	Reviewing	
	Recruitment	
	Staff Administration	
	Departmental Staff Matters	
	Human Resources Procedures	
Financial Management	Annual Budget and Estimates	
	Financial Accounting Records	
Strategic Management	Policy	
	Research and Development	
	Reviewing	
Public Relations Advice and Services	Drafting	
	Advising	
	Reviewing	

# Freedom of Information Unit

FUNCTION	ACTIVITY
Freedom of Information Coordination	Freedom of Information Steering Committee
	Support
	Communications
	Coordination of Implementation
	Guidance
	Implementation Planning
	Information Technology and Marketing
	Policy, Development and Advice
	Promotion of Freedom of Information
	Public Education
	Regulatory Framework
	Reporting
	Research and Development
	Training and Awareness
Administrative & Financial	Budgeting
Management	
	Records
	Records Management Training

# Protocol Office

FUNCTION	ACTIVITY
Protocol Services	Airport Liaison
	Advising
	Events Management
	Guidance
	Planning
	Policy
	Research and Development
	Registration
	Training

## **Temporary Housing Initiative**

FUNCTION	ACTIVITY
Operational	Proceedings
	Planning
	Authorising
	Communications
	Leases
	Tenant Files
	Special Needs
Equipment and Services	Ordering
Information & Technology	Recording
Management	
Communications	Policies and Procedures
	Registering
Human Resources Management	Staff Administration
Financial Management	Accounting

## **Boards and Committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Immigration Appeals Tribunal Sophia Harris (Chair) Morris Garcia (Deputy Chair) Buck Grizzel (Deputy Chair) Josephine Habib Susan Arch-Parsons William (Billy) Pennington Shehanha (Shan) Harriman Paula Jackson Mark Beckford Pamela Myrie Evanell Hunter Chet Ebanks Nanalie Cover Jewel Hydes	The Tribunal meets once per week. While it is not open to the general public, appellants may apply to present their cases in person.	Minutes and outcomes of meetings may be requested under FOI as detailed in section 5: Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme. Each request will be decided on a case-bycase basis, but it is likely that most material will be exempt under section 23(1) of the FOI Law, as it would amount to the unreasonable disclosure of personal information.

Laura Young Hilmae Bodden (Secretary, non-voting) Yvette Cacho (Secretary, non-voting) Jonina Whittaker-Swanson (Secretary, non-voting)		
Freedom of Information Steering Committee_(FOISC) Natasha Bodden (Chair) Richard Barton, Jr. Tim Hubbell Jacqueline Jefferson-Ziemniak Daniell Rattan Janet Chisholm Samuel Rose Tamara Ebanks Sandra Tomlinson Tammi Selzer Cornelia Olivier Gilbert McLaughlin Jo Richards Wanda Tatum Christopher Eakin Paul Tibbetts Haroon Pandohie Ian Fenton	The FOISC began meeting July 2007 and had its most recent meeting June 2008.  The FOISC and its Sub-Committees also met with various stakeholders in June 2009 for a post-implementation retreat titled "Looking Backwards, Going Forward."	Minutes of FOISC meetings and Sub-Committee meetings are available on the FOI Unit website or from the Cabinet Office Information Manager upon request. Section 3: Methods of access details the various ways information may be requested.
FOISC Training and Records Management Sub-Committee	See "FOISC Meetings"	See "FOISC Meetings"
FOISC Implementation Planning Sub- Committee	See "FOISC Meetings"	See "FOISC Meetings"
FOISC Legal Sub-Committee	See "FOISC Meetings"	See "FOISC Meetings"
FOISC Communication, Public Participation and Public Relations Sub- Committee	See "FOISC Meetings"	See "FOISC Meetings"
FOISC Information Technology Sub- Committee	See "FOISC Meetings"	See "FOISC Meetings"
Data Protection Working Group (DPWG)	The DPWG initially	Requests for minutes and

David Archbold (Chair)	met weekly from 14	other materials should be
Olivaire Watler	September 2009	submitted under FOI as
Simon Palmer	through 7	detailed in section 5:
Jennifer Dilbert	December 2009.	Requests for information
Gail Johnson Goring		outside the Publication
Bob Thompson, Jr.	Meetings are now	Scheme.
Peter Broadhurst	as needed and are	
Bilika Simamba	not open to the	
Robin Jarvis	public.	
Aubrey Bodden (Secretary)		



Freedom of Information Steering Committee Terms of Reference

Data Protection Working Group Terms of Reference

## **History**

The Cayman Islands (Constitution) (Amendment) Order 2003 was presented for enactment by the House of Commons 24 June 2003, renaming the former Executive Council the Cabinet and creating the new government post of Cabinet Secretary and associated responsibilities. The Order also formally established the offices of the Leader of Government Business (now the Premier) and Leader of the Opposition and the Electoral Boundary Commission

## **Annual Reports**

For information about the past performance of the Cabinet Office, previous annual reports through 2004/2005 are available on the Government website.

#### **Employment Opportunities**

The Cabinet Office careers brochure contains more details about the kind of work carried out by the wider portfolio and the various professions that it employs. Job advertisements for positions in the Cabinet Office are posted on our website and at www.recruitment.gov.ky.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Q. What is the Cabinet?

A. The Cabinet is composed of two official members and five elected Ministers, one of whom is designated Premier. The official members are the Deputy Governor and Attorney General. They are appointed by the Governor in accordance with Her Majesty's instructions, and although they have seats in the Legislative Assembly, under the 2009 Constitution they do not vote. The five Ministers are voted into office by the 15 elected members of the Legislative Assembly. One of the ministers, the leader of the majority political party, is appointed Premier by the Governor. After consulting the Premier, the Governor allocates a portfolio of responsibilities to each Cabinet member. Under the principle of collective responsibility, all ministers are obliged to support any measures approved by Cabinet.

## Q. How do Cabinet members and their roles fit within the Government?

A. The Government organisational chart details the responsibilities of all Cabinet members.

## Q. Are there any rules and procedures governing the operations of the Cabinet?

A. The Cabinet Operating Guidelines contain all the procedures relevant to the operation of Cabinet. It is expected this document will soon be declassified and made available.

# Q. How do I find out the key policy directions that shape the actions of the government and the development of the public service?

A. Each year, the present governor outlines in full the direction that government policy will take in the Throne Speech at the state opening of the Legislative Assembly (read the 2009 Throne Speech). At the same meeting, the Premier expands on Cabinet's commitment to these developments in the Response to the Throne Speech (read the 2009 response). Halfway through the budget year the Premier delivers the Strategic Policy Statement (SPS), which outlines how far Government has advanced towards the same goals and objectives (read the address on the 2010/11 SPS and the 2010/11 SPS).

## Q. What is a tax exemption certificate and how do I apply for one for my company?

A. A special section of the Cabinet Secretariat deals exclusively with the tax exemption certificates that Cabinet approves to protect exempted companies in the event that the Cayman Islands government introduces taxation.

## Q. How do I complain about a work permit board decision?

A. The Immigration Appeals Tribunal (IAT) holds weekly meetings to hear appeals against Immigration decisions, including in regards to the grant, renewal or amendment of work permits. Appellants may request to be heard personally or by a representative at a hearing date which would be set by the Tribunal and communicated to the appellant. Any person who is dissatisfied with any decision of a Board must submit an appeal to the IAT within twenty-eight (28) days of the communication of the decision. Decisions of the IAT can only be appealed to the Grand Court on a point of law.

#### Q. What is protocol?

A. Protocol has been defined as 'Rules of diplomatic procedure, notably those designed to accord to the representatives of sovereign states and others, as well as different classes of officers within them, the treatment in all official dealings to which their recognized status entitles them.' A Dictionary of Diplomacy, second edition, G.R. Berridge and Alan James.

#### Q. What is the Order of Precedence?

A. It is the ceremonial order of rank or preference used by individuals and organisations. The Order of Precedence for a country lists the rank of senior government officials. View the Cayman Islands Order of Precedence.

## Q. What is the proper way to display the Cayman flag?

A. The Cayman flag should be placed in the position of honour which is on the right (on the left from a spectator's point of view). All other country flags should be placed to the left of the Cayman flag with the exception of the UK flag, which, if used, would take the place of honour with the Cayman flag immediately on its left.

## Q. Where can I purchase a Cayman flag?

A. Flags of various sizes can be purchased from the Cayman Islands National Museum.

## Q. During official events, what is the procedure for platform announcements of officials

#### in attendance?

A. The Chairman or Master of Ceremonies should recognise individuals at the beginning of the ceremony. All subsequent speakers should not repeat the names and can shorten their salutations such as: "Your Excellency, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen."

## Q. What are post-nominal letters?

A. Post-nominal letters, or post-nominal initials, or post-nominal titles, are letters placed after the name of an individual to indicate that the person holds a position, office or honour.

## Q. What is the correct order to place letters after the name?

A. Debrett's Correct Form outlines the order in which post-nominal letters should be placed.

## Q. Is it correct to say the letters after the name in a platform introduction?

A. No, one should not state the letters in a verbal address (i.e. MBE, JP, CPA)

#### Q. Who should be invited to official events? Can invitations be sent electronically?

A. When inviting officials to take part in an event it's important to remember to invite those who have been associated with the event in some way. Email invitations are perfectly acceptable.

## Q. What is the correct time frame to provide an RSVP?

A. Within three (3) days of receipt of the invitation.

## Q. Where can I obtain official gifts?

A. Official gifts should represent Caymanian culture and people. Other considerations include cost, occasion and appropriateness of the item. Every attempt should be made to purchase official gifts from the Museum, National Trust, Post Office, and other Government entities.

#### Q. How did the Temporary Housing programme begin?

A. In early 2005 Government received eighty-four (84) FEMA trailers to serve as temporary homes for persons who lost their accommodation in Hurricane Ivan. Special district committees recommended persons to take part in the programme. Trailers were located on various public and private sites, and residents signed an agreement to pay \$500-700 in rent based on the size and location of their trailer, to cover the cost of upkeep, utilities, etc.

#### Q. Who works in the unit?

A. Temporary Homes Manager Catherine Tyson is a qualified social worker with masters of social work degree and her background involves extensive work with vulnerable and indigent populations. Her team includes an accounts officer, the collection and complaints officer, maintenance officers and administrative staff.

#### Q. Why are people still living in the trailers?

A. Since the programme was created to provide shelter for persons who would otherwise be homeless, as long as this need exists the service will continue. At this point, its objective is to place all residents in permanent homes.

## Q. What other services does the unit provide to residents?

A. Staff help residents cope with various needs. In particular, they focus on developing clients' professionally, financially and socially, to the point where they can secure and maintain a permanent home. Adult residents are able to request support in resume writing and job hunting and children receive after school support. The unit also writes letters of support to banks and government departments in support of loan applications, planning applications and other stages

of the house-building and home-owning process. A counseling service is also available and the unit coordinates field trips for children to various cultural and historical sites including recent trips to New York and Orlando.

## Q. What happens to the homes in the event of a hurricane?

A. The trailers were originally strapped down by the Public Works Department. This system continues to be in place. During storm threats a priority is made of getting the residents to safety, whether this is in shelters or with family; transportation is provided where need be.

## Q. How was the European Grant administered?

A. The Manager also heads the National Hurricane Recovery Committee, which supervised the recommendations for assistance. Applications were put forward by district committees, working on a points based system that considered age, family, disability, accommodation status, income and other criteria. The committee submitted recommendations to the National Recovery Fund Board of Directors, which is undertaking the process of providing permanent homes and improving hurricane-readiness of other residences.

## Q. Can civil servants make a Freedom of Information request?

A. Yes, the law applies to *all* persons, regardless of occupation, age, location or other status.

## Q. Is there a limit on the amount of information a person can ask for?

A. No, there is no limit on the amount of information a person can ask for. However, if a request is so voluminous that it would divert the resources of a public authority and prevent it from carrying out its mandate, the request may be refused.

## Q. Will it be more difficult to get documents from the Government after FOI?

A. No, public authorities will continue to provide information as before. An FOI request is only required if the record is not available in the public domain or through other procedures.

#### Q. Is there a charge for making an FOI request?

A. There is no fee for making a request. Fees may be charged to access disclosed records, but these fees cannot exceed the actual cost of reproduction, formatting and transmission.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

#### **Constitutional Mandate**

The Cabinet Secretary heads the Cabinet Office portfolio. His role and that of his office are laid out in the Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009, section 48.

#### 48. — (1) There shall be—

(a) a Cabinet Office, which shall be an office in the Government; and

- (b) a Cabinet Secretary, whose office shall be a public office, who shall be a person who is a Caymanian and who shall be appointed by the Governor, acting after consultation with the Premier.
- (2) The Cabinet Secretary shall have charge of the Cabinet Office
- (3) The responsibilities of the Cabinet Secretary shall include—
  - (a) providing frank and politically neutral advice to the Governor, the Cabinet and the Premier on matters of policy;
  - (b) co-ordinating the development and implementation of policy between departments and ministerial portfolios and across the wider Government sector to ensure that Government policy is developed coherently;
  - (c) providing for administrative and secretarial support for the Cabinet and the Premier in order to allow high-quality and effective government;
  - (d) arranging the business for, and keeping the minutes of, the meetings of the Cabinet or any Cabinet committee and conveying the conclusions reached at the meetings to the appropriate person or authority; and the Cabinet Secretary shall have such other functions as the Governor, after consultation with the Premier, may from time to time direct.
- (4) The Cabinet Secretary shall also—
  - (a) transmit copies of all papers submitted for consideration by the Cabinet or any Cabinet committee to the Governor and all members of the Cabinet;
  - (b) inform the Governor and all members of the Cabinet of the summoning of any meeting of the Cabinet or any Cabinet committee and of the matters to be discussed at any meeting of the Cabinet or any Cabinet committee; and
  - (c) furnish the Governor and all members of the Cabinet, as soon as practicable after each meeting of the Cabinet or any Cabinet committee, with a copy of the confirmed minutes of the previous meeting showing the matters discussed and the conclusions reached at the meeting.

#### Governance

The following laws and regulations govern activities of, or are applied by, the Cabinet Office.

Public Service Management Law (2005 Revision)

Personnel Regulations, 2006

Personnel (Amendment) Regulations, 2009

Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)

Public Management and Finance (Amendment) Law, 2009

Financial Regulations (2008 Revision)

Financial (Amendment) Regulations, 2009

Labour Law (2007 Revision)

Public Holidays Law (2007 Revision)

Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision)

Health Insurance Regulations (2005 Revision)

Public Service Pensions Law (2004 Revision)

- Public Service Pensions Regulations (2004 Revision)
- ❖ Public Service Pensions (Ex-gratia Pensions) Regulations, 2004
- Freedom of Information Law, 2007
- Freedom of Information (General) Regulations, 2008
- National Archive and Public Records Law, 2007
- Computer Misuse Law, 2000
- ❖ Electronic Transactions Law (2003 Revision)
- The Coat of Arms, Flag and National Song Law (2005 Revision)

Hard copies of all legislation are available from the Legislative Department upon request and payment of a fee. Requests may be made in person or sent by post, fax or email to:

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Email: indianna.watson@gov.ky

## **Tax Undertaking**

The following laws prescribe the process of granting tax exemption certificates to certain companies, trusts and limited partnerships, including fees.

- Exempted Limited Partnership Law (2007 Revision)
- Exempted Limited Partnership Regulations (2002 Revision)
- Tax Concessions Law (1999 Revision)
- Trusts Law (2007 Revision)
- Government Fees Law (2007 Revision)

Fees for tax undertakings are outlined in the Government Fees Law as \$1,500 for a new application, renewal or duplicate and \$150 for an endorsement or certified copy.

## **Appeals to Cabinet**

Individuals may make appeals to Cabinet under specific circumstances in accordance with the following laws.

Trade and Business Licensing Law (2007 Revision)

Firearms Law (2008 Revision)

Firearms Regulations (1999 Revision)

Immigration Law (2009 Revision)

Immigration (Amendment) (Immigration Appeals Tribunal) Law, 2002

In accordance with the above legislation, Trade and Business Appeals are \$100; Immigration Appeals are \$250; Firearms Appeals are \$10, which is refundable if the appeal is successful.

#### **Codes of Practice**

The Deputy Governor has issued the following Codes in accordance with the FOI Law, which are to be adhered to by all public authorities.



The Chief Secretary's Code of Practice on Records Management, 30th January 2008

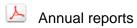
❖ The Chief Secretary's Code of Practice on Publishing, 30th June 2009

## **Corporate Management**

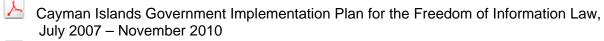
The key strategic ownership goals for the Cabinet Office in 2009-2012 are:

- The establishment of mechanisms to improve the coordination of government policy, encourage innovation and creativity in policymaking, and identify and oversee policy which encompasses a number of ministries and portfolios.
- The development of a set of modelling tools and information sources in order to assess the impact of government policies.
- Upgrade government information technology infrastructure network resilience, Internet and electronic transaction security, making government less susceptible to loss of revenue and productivity, as a result of damage to computing equipment.
- Increase and improve the quality and depth of consulting and project management services offered to government agencies.
- To extend the functionality of the government hosted Internet Protocol and egovernment services in partnership with government agencies. To produce an Egovernment strategy.
- Facilitate the completion of any further constitutional review exercises in accordance with the timetable set by the government.
- Create greater administrative efficiency to ensure that all services to government agencies are provided in a timely, quality-oriented, customer focused, efficient and effective manner.
- Administer Freedom of Information across government departments.

The following high-level documents plan and evaluate work of the Cabinet Office and its units.



- ❖ Audit reports on overall operations or major projects
- Continuity of Operations Plan (hazard management and disaster recovery)



Presentation on Freedom of Information Government Wide Implementation Plan

Report on Findings of the Freedom of Information Baseline Assessments, January 2008

Freedom of Information Focus Group Report, May 2008



Training & Records Management Strategy for the Freedom of Information Steering Committee



Communication Plan for the Freedom of Information Steering Committee



Information Technology Plan for the Freedom of Information Steering Committee



Reports on implementation of FOI across all public authorities (monthly Jan – Dec 09)

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

## **Financial Management**

The following records relate to the administration of the Cabinet Office's monetary resources, including projected and actual income and expenditure, tendering, procurement and contracts.



Annual budget statements

- Consultancy Contracts
- Contract to provide 24-hour security at the Premier's residence
- Tribunal member allowances and expenses (\$100 per member, per meeting)

#### Administration

The following documents relate to administrative functions, including buildings, equipment, vehicles, human resources and information & technology management.



Press releases



Job vacancies



Staff grading structure (Government-wide)



Staff salary scale and hourly wages (Government-wide)

- Human Resources Guidelines
- Ownership and maintenance of Protocol Office vehicles

## **Records Management**

- Cabinet Office File Survey and File Plan
- \*\* Constitutional Review Secretariat File Plan
- Freedom of Information Unit File Plan
- Protocol Office File Plan
- Temporary Housing Initiative File Plan

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES \***

Current written protocols used by the authority for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services.



Internal Complaints Procedure



Freedom of Information Request Procedures

- Human Resources Policy and Procedures
- VIP Lounge Booking Process
- Airport Chaperone Policy
- Protocol Officer Procedures
- National Symbols
- Coat of Arms
- Flag Protocol
- Official Gifts

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decision-making processes.

- Minutes and outcomes of meetings\*
- Cabinet papers and reports\*



Consultation Paper on the Freedom of Information Regulations 2008

- Review of Statutory Provisions in Cayman Islands Laws which are, or may be considered to be, inconsistent with the Freedom of Information Law
- Development of a Model for Data Protection Legislation in the Cayman Islands, May 2009



Cayman Islands National Assessment of Living Conditions 2006/2007



Private Members Motion on Freedom of Information and Official Information Act

#### The Constitutional Review Process

The Constitutional Review Secretariat formed to restart the modernisation process in 2007 and closed office in November 2009. The CRS published documents relating to the process which date back to 2002. The CRS also published position papers from various groups related to constitutional reform.



Documents from the 2002 Constitutional Review



The Perspective of Non-Governmental Organisations



Constitutional Modernisation Public Meeting Transcripts



Public Feedback on Constitutional Review Proposals

<sup>\*</sup> Section 19 of the FOI Law exempts specific Cabinet records from public access, including opinions advice or recommendations prepared for Cabinet and records of consultations or deliberations arising in the course of proceedings of Cabinet. Though this exemption does not apply to information of a purely factual nature, many documents held by the Cabinet Office which relate to decisions and recommendations will not be available to the general public. Exempt Cabinet papers may be released if there is an overriding public interest in such disclosure, but FOI requests must be made for these records in all cases, and the Information Manager will make a decision on each application. Please see section 5: Requests for information outside the publication scheme for more information.

Negotiation Documents from Constitutional Talks 29 September 2008 – 5 February 2009

The Electoral Boundary Commission

Cabinet Press Briefing Statements

Constitutional Comparison Chart of other British Overseas Territory (draft)

## The Caymanian Bar Association Regarding the 2009 Draft Constitution

Branches of Government: Existing and Proposed

**New Offices and Commissions** 

Responsibility-Sharing and Greater Accountability, or the Road to Independence?

#### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

Information held in registers required by law and other lists or registers relating to the functions of the authority.



List of Public Authorities and Information Managers



FOI Disclosure Log

- Asset Register
- Tax Exempt Companies, Trusts and Limited Partnerships



Order of Precedence

- Official Gifts Registry
- List of Consults and Honorary Consuls

#### **OUR SERVICES**

This category provides detailed information about the services offered and activities carried out by the authority, to fulfil its high-level functions and responsibilities. It describes the services and activities available locally, nationally and internationally. We publish:

- documents used by the authority in providing those services;
- documents used by clients to obtain those services;
- links to web pages where services are available online.

#### **Cabinet Secretariat**

The Cabinet Secretariat provides support to Cabinet and the Premier, issues tax undertaking certificates and hears appeals. The Secretariat does not offer a wide range of services to the general public – almost all of its outputs are intended to service the weekly meetings of Cabinet or to coordinate the response of public authorities to these decisions. Cabinet proceedings are also coordinated and disseminated to various entities and for microfilming through the Cayman Islands National Archive, and exemption certificates are reviewed.

## Administrative Support

Cabinet Agendas, Minutes and Extracts\*

- Code of Conduct for Ministers†
- Business Guide for Cabinet†
- Appointment of Boards and Committees
- Declarations, Regulations and Orders Approved by Cabinet

† These documents are presently not available to the general public, although the Cabinet Office has begun the process of declassifying them.

#### Preparation and Review of Documents

- Cabinet Submissions\*
- Ministerial Briefings
- Responses to Parliamentary Questions
- Speeches and Presentations by the Cabinet Secretary and Premier
- Guidance on How to Write a Cabinet Paper
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## Tax Undertaking

Tax exemption certificates protect exempted companies, limited partnerships and trusts for periods of twenty (20), thirty (30) or fifty (50) years, in the event that taxation is introduced in the Cayman Islands. Applicants should submit letters of request to the Clerk of the Cabinet by noon on the Wednesday prior to the Tuesday Cabinet meeting. Limited partnerships and trusts take about two weeks to fully process, companies take about three weeks. Additional information is available from through the website www.cabinetoffice.gov.ky or by contacting Meredith Hew, the Assistant Secretary to the Clerk of the Cabinet, at meredith.hew@gov.ky or (345) 244-2210.



Submission Guidelines and Fees

Tax Exemption Certificates

## Appeals Processing

- Application Form for a Firearms Appeal
- Application Form for a Trade and Business Licensing Appeal

#### **Policy Coordination Unit**

The Policy Coordination Unit monitors international policy developments, provides technical support and advice on these to Cabinet and liaises with relevant parties concerning policy development and coordination. The Unit also organises and manages special projects in the national, regional or international interest and monitors the implementation of policy initiatives by public authorities.

Policy Proposals, Actions and Strategies

#### **Public Affairs Unit**

The Public Affairs Unit provides public affairs advice and assistance to public authorities, coordinates public relations and community services and develops strategies to promote and monitor public engagement with policy.



**Encouraging Public Participation in Policy Work** 



Improving Internal Communications



Guidelines for Incorporating Community Research into Policy

## **Brochures**

- The Work of the Cabinet Office
- Careers in the Cabinet Office
- Freedom of Information
- Protocol
- Immigration Appeals
- Tax Exemptions

#### **Posters**

- The Branches of Government
- ❖ How Laws are Made
- How Policies are Made

## The Cayman Islands Youth Assembly (CIYA) Position Newsletter



The Work of the CIYA and its Objectives



Past and Present Meet at National Hero's Home

#### Job of the Week Newsletter



Customs Liaison Officer II – Department of Employment Relations



Research Officer – Constitutional Review Secretariat



Research Officer II – Department of Environment
Senior Detective Constable – Criminal Investigation Department



Firefighter - Cayman Islands Fire Service



Court Reporters – Judicial Administration



Expanded Programme on Immunisation Manager – Public Health Department



Financial Administrator - Recreational Parks and Cemeteries Unit

## Community Insights Newsletter

Economics and Statistics Office Survey Team

Keeping Cayman Clean – Hard Work for Government and Community

Always the Right Time to Eat Smart

George Town Afterschool Programme Watches Kids While Mums Work

Spirit of Enterprise Meet Sustainability at Salon and Beauty School

## **Immigration Appeals Tribunal**

The Secretaries to the Immigration Appeals Tribunal (IAT) are employees of the Cabinet Office and provides administrative and secretarial support for the processing of appeals and complaints against decisions of the Immigration Department involving:

- Work Permits.
- Caymanian Status,
- Permanent Residence,
- Business Staffing Plans, and
- Political Asylum.

The IAT holds weekly meetings to hear appeals and appellants may request to be heard personally or by a representative at a hearing date which would be set by the Tribunal and communicated to the appellant. Any person aggrieved by or dissatisfied with any decision of a Board may appeal to the IAT within twenty-eight (28) days of the communication of the decision, though the Chairman of the IAT may allow a longer period for good reason. Decisions of the IAT may be appealed to the Grand Court on a point of law only.



Guidelines for Applying for an Immigration Appeal Hearing

The majority of the documents held by the IAT are exempt under section 23(1) of the FOI Law. as releasing applications, minutes and outcomes of meetings and other reports would amount to an unreasonable disclosure of personal information. Individuals have a statutory right under the FOI Law to view their own personal information held by public authorities, and such information may be released to a third party if there is overriding public interest in the disclosure, but FOI requests must be made for these records in all cases and the Information Manager will make a decision on each application. Please see section 5: Requests for information outside the publication scheme for more information.

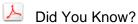
#### **Constitutional Review Secretariat**

The Constitutional Review Secretariat (CRS) was launched 1 March 2007 to restart the constitutional modernisation process in the Cayman Islands with a view to achieving national consensus on areas of constitutional reform upon which the Cayman Islands Government could negotiate a new constitution for the Cayman Islands with the United Kingdom. Having completed their mandate, the CRS closed office in November 2009 and is no longer operational, but the Cabinet Office maintains control of their records and their website is still active.

The CRS carried out many activities to supervise the latest initiative, which culminated with the passage of the Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009. The Secretariat also published documents relating to the constitutional review process dating back to 2002. Please see "DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS" above for more information related to the CRS.

The Constitutional Modernisation Initiative 2007 comprised of a four part programme:

- Phase 1: Research
  - o Identify viable areas of constitutional reform
  - o Publication and distribution of a Public Discussion Paper
- Phase 2: Consultation
  - o Public education on constitutional issues raised in Public Discussion Paper
  - Public consultation period
- Phase 3: Negotiation
  - Negotiations between the Cayman Islands and the United Kingdom
- Phase 4: Referendum
  - National referendum on constitutional reform
    - Enactment of Referendum Law
    - Training of Referendum Officers
    - Public education on referendum process
    - Preparation of the referendum ballot



Cayman Islands Constitution Order 1972 (Informal Consolidation)

The 1972 Constitution and Companion Guide

The Cayman Islands Constitution: A Reflection of Who We Are

The Cayman Islands Constitution: A Reflection of Who We Are (Explanatory Notes)

Revised Proposals for Constitutional Modernisation

Final Draft Constitution 10 February 2009

2009 Draft Constitution Explanatory Guide

He Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009

Explanatory Memorandum to the Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009

Referendum (Constitutional Modernisation) Law, 2009

Why is a Bill of Rights Important?

Bill of Rights: Round Table Discussion Questions and Answers Session

## **Our Constitutional History**

Bucking the Trend and Who to Join?

The Cayman Islands and the West Indies Federation 1959 - 1962

The First Cayman Islands Constitution 1959 - 1962

Our Resolution to Remain British!

# The 1972 Constitution – A Quest for Internal Self Control? Supplements

Children Rights in the Bill of Rights

The Power of the Constitution During National Disasters

## A Constitution in Modern Times Supplements

Preamble to the Constitution

Striking the Balance in a Bill of Rights Charter

The Balance of Power

Checks and Balances

Independence of the Judiciary and Civil Service

Accountability through Freedom of Information

## **Human Rights Committee Supplements**

Children Rights in the Bill of Rights

Why Rights are Fundamental

Why Rights are Universal

Absolute and Qualified Rights

## **Newsletters and Media**

"Constitutional News" Newsletter

"Constitutional News" Newsletter Teen Spot

Constitutional Conversation call-in radio and television show

Constitutional Milestones audio files; GIS Spotlight, Issues 27 and other video files

## **Informative Advertisements**

Human Rights (Part I)

Human Rights (Part II)

Human Rights (Part III)

Knowing the Issues

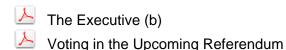
Accountability in Government

Understanding Your Constitutional Rights

The Governor

Section 16 of the Bill of Rights

The Executive (a)



## Cabinet Press Briefings

Public Consultation

Launch of Revised Proposals

The Way Forward (Part I)

The Way Forward (Part II)

**Constitutional Negotiations** 

#### Freedom of Information Unit

The Freedom of Information Unit (FOI Unit) facilitates and coordinates the implementation of Freedom of Information by providing advice, assistance and training to public authorities and promoting awareness across the whole of the public sector. The Unit also reviews statutory, regulatory and policy requirements and monitors and reports on implementation.

## **Training Courses**

Sensitisation of Civil Servants

Sensitisation of Boards and Committees

- ❖ Introduction to the FOI Law for Civil Servants
- Information Manager Basic Training

Introduction to JADE, the FOI Tracking and Monitoring System

FOI and Internal Review for Managers

The material for many of the sensitisation sessions and courses taught by the FOI Unit is tailored to specific needs and will often evolve and improve, so some documents may not be available or immediately updated on the website at www.foi.gov.ky. Please contact the Senior Administrative Assistant at the FOI Unit at foi@gov.ky or (345) 244-3609 to learn more about these courses or to request materials used for training of various groups.

#### **Guidance Documents**

Guidance Manual on the Freedom of Information Law 2007

Preparation of an FOI Provisional E-Publication Scheme

Release of Commercial Information (draft)

Release of Human Resources Information (draft)

Provision of Assistance to Persons with Disabilities (draft)

The FOI Tracking and Monitoring System (JADE)

Delegation of Information Manager Responsibilities

Processing Freedom of Information Requests

Authentication of Documents

Clarifying Freedom of Information Requests

Transferring Freedom of Information Requests

Confidentiality of an FOI Applicant's Name and Personal Details

Freedom of Information Request Outcomes

Frequently Asked Questions and General Advice for Boards and Committees

## Meetings, Conferences and Retreats

Information Manager Network Meetings

Lhief Officer Briefings

- Freedom of Information Steering Committee Retreats
- Freedom of Information Steering Committee Legal Retreats

The FOI Unit holds regular Information Manager Network Meetings where practitioners come together to discuss issues, share experiences, identify problems, answer queries and ensure that their public authority is in compliance with the FOI Law. Agendas, presentations made and handouts distributed to attendees should be available www.foi.gov.ky. If you would like to enquire about these meetings or request materials that may not be available online, please contact the FOI Unit Senior Administrative Assistant foi@gov.ky or (345) 244-3609.

## Yes, You Can! Newsletter

Volume 1, Issue 1, September 2007

Volume 1, Issue 2, December 2007

Volume 2, Issue 1, July 2008

Volume 3, Issue 1, July 2009

#### **Public Awareness**

Before the appointment of the Information Commissioner and establishment of her Office in January 2009, the FOI Unit carried out some of the general functions of this oversight agency by promoting public awareness of FOI and the rights conferred to individuals.

FOI Public Users Guide

🐸 General FOI Brochure

Sunshine Week 2007

Sunshine Week 2008

The Information Commissioner is appointed by the Governor to monitor and enforce the FOI Law, independent from Government and responsible to the Legislative Assembly. Her duties include public awareness of FOI requirements and rights of individuals and more information on these initiatives can be obtained from the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO).

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#### Forms, Templates and Checklists

Freedom of Information Application Form

Application for Amendment or Annotation of Personal Information

Public Authority Baseline Assessment Form

Checklist of Minimum Requirements to Prepare for Freedom of Information

Model Action Plan Template

Model Publication Scheme Template

Generic Information Manager Job Description

Generic Records Officer Job Description

List for Fulfilling a Request for Information

E-Publication Scheme Template

Freedom of Information Internal Policy and Procedures Template

Template for Reporting to Chief Officer or Principal Officer

Internal Review Checklist

The Freedom of Information Unit reports to Cabinet, including through the FOISC. Though these documents may be exempt or partially exempt under section 19(1)(a) of the FOI Law, requests for Cabinet submissions may be made under the FOI Law and the Cabinet Office Information Manager will make a decision on each application for access. Please see section 5: Requests for information outside the publication scheme for more information

In 2009 the FOI Unit began initial research for the introduction of Data Protection in the Cayman Islands, and is currently providing secretarial and administrative support for and steering the project to develop legislation which will protect privacy and personal data.

#### **Protocol Office**

The Protocol Office advises government on the handling of local and foreign dignitaries, trains civil servants and other civil society groups in protocol and etiquette, and is working to bring together and modernise existing government procedures in areas of protocol. The Office also organises official events, focusing on the structure of ceremonial occasions and the roles officials play, oversees airport liaison and protocol intervention for travelling dignitaries and owns two sports utility vehicles which it uses to transport local and visiting dignitaries.

#### Guidance

- Diplomatic Privileges
- **Protocol Guidelines**
- Forms of Address



Precedence of Letters after the Name

## Event and Site Management

- Official Funerals
- \*\* Queen's Birthday
- Remembrance Day
- \* National Heroes Day
- Constitutional Commencement
- Arrival and Departure of Governors
- Heroes' Square Bookings

## **Temporary Housing Initiative**

The Temporary Housing Initiative oversees the provision of temporary housing for and assistance to low-income persons who lost their homes in the aftermath of Hurricane Ivan. It also supports the personal and professional development of its adult clients and offers extracurricular programmes for their children.

The mission of the THI is to provide temporary homes to clients while helping them access the services that they need to secure and maintain permanent accommodations. In addition, while working with individuals in this way, the unit commits to recognising other areas where those persons' lives can be improved and assisting them with that.



Guidelines for Working with Disadvantaged Persons

- \*\* Temporary Housing Assistance Application
- EU Project: Request for Assistance Form
- \* Housing Assessment Form
- Interview Form for Temporary Housing
- \* Trailer Rental Leases
- **Payment Statements**



## **Government Information Services**

## **Publication Scheme**

## Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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  - Finance & Administration
  - Policies & Procedures
  - Our Services

#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into five (5) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits Government Information Services (GIS) to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

#### GIS will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the five (5) categories below:
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

GIS will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by GIS or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm GIS' (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

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<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

#### Online

Most of our documents and other products are published electronically on this website: www.gis.ky.

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#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme can be made available on CD or hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Cornelia Olivier Government Information Services Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See *section 4: Fees and charges* for further details.)

# Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

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GIS will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

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#### 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. GIS strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

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# Postage costs

GIS will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

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# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by GIS that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. For information on how to make a request in writing go this page on our website: http://www.gis.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1771,3501195&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

If you are without access to the internet, the essential elements of an FOI request are that it is made in writing, includes a name and return address, a description of the information sought and the kind of format (e.g. CD, hardcopy) in which you want to receive the information. The request can be submitted using an FOI application form or written in your own words. The request may be sent via post, fax, e-mail or by hand.

Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law. For information on the FOI Law to can go the Freedom of Information website at:

http://www.foi.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1206,1& dad=portal& schema=PORTAL

#### 6. Complaints

GIS aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Information Manager Cornelia Olivier at 244-1766 or Information Manager Designate Lennon Christian at 244-1764, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained at our reception desk or by going to www.gis.gov.ky.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS Tolophone: +1 345 747 5402

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Finance & Administration
- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority:

Government Information Services

# Portfolio:

**Cabinet Office** 

#### **Chief Officer:**

Orrett Connor, Cabinet Office

4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, Cayman Islands

#### **Principal Officers:**

Chief Information Officer: Angela Piercy

Aquamall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Merrendale Drive Grand Cayman Phone: 345-9498092

Email: angela.piercy@gov.ky

# **Information Manager:**

Cornelia Olivier Phone: 345-2441766

Email: mailto:foi.gis@gov.ky

Website: www.gis.gov.ky or www.gis.ky

Information Manager Designate: Lennon Christian

For more information on the Freedom of Information Law visit the Freedom of Information website at www.foi.gov.ky

# **Organisation and functions**

GIS provides public relations services to the Cayman Islands Government and publishes the *Cayman Islands Gazette*.

# **Subject Matters**

- Public Information
  - Develops and executes information campaigns to promote government programmes
  - Designs graphic products: logos, posters, banners etc.
  - Produces GIS Spotlight television programme
  - Publishes the Gazette, Annual Report, and community calendars
  - Updates general information on the government portal, www.gov.ky
  - Responds to information requests
  - o Prepares and issues press releases and public service announcements
- Press Facilitation
  - Arranging press conferences
  - Arranging photo opportunities for the press
  - Organising and providing staff for press stations at national events
  - Issuing press advisories on government functions/events
  - Briefing the press on arrangements and procedures
  - Responding to press queries
- Communication Support for Government
  - Writing speeches
  - o Advising on effective communication methods
  - Recording national events
  - Taking official photographs
  - Providing media training

#### **Mailing Address:**

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Government Administration Building
Grand Cayman KY1-9000
CAYMAN ISLANDS

# Telephone number:

345-949-8092

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345-949-5936

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gis@gov.ky or cornelia.olivier@gov.ky

# Website address:

www.gis.ky or www.gis.gov.ky

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Cornelia Olivier	925-8272	244-1766	N/A	Cornelia.Olivier@gov.ky	

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Mona Walton- Ebanks	929-0953	244-1756	949-9039	Mona.walton- ebanks@gov.ky	
Flectronic Officers					

Name	Cell#	Direct#	Land Line	E-Mail
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Lenford Wilks	925-6296	244-1776	746-3288	Lenford.Wilks@gov.ky
Greg Parashak	925-4641	244-1779	N/A	Greg.Parashak@gov.ky

Postal Address and telephone contact for all managers and staff: Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 **CAYMAN ISLANDS** 

# **Telephone number:**

345-949-8092

# Fax number:

345-949-5936

# **Boards and committee:**

Government Information Services does not oversee any committees, boards etc.

# Frequently asked questions

Government Information Services answers inquiries from the public on government services. As more information is available on government websites, GIS has been getting fewer phone calls, emails, and people stopping by the office. However what follows are the questions the department is currently answering frequently:

# We're going to be visiting. What do we need to know, so we can get married in the Cayman Islands?

All the information you need about getting married in the Cayman Islands is on government's portal.

We got married in the Cayman Islands. How can we get copies of our marriage license? Call the General Registry at 345-946-7922.

# There's a dog in my neighbourhood that barks all night. Who handles this kind of problem?

If, after politely talking to your neighbor, the dog is still a nuisance, call your neighbourhood police officer. If the dog is a stray, call the Department of Agriculture, (345) 947-3090.

# When is the Gazette published? How much does it cost to put a notice in the Gazette? And other Gazette questions.

Most of the answers to these are under 'Quick Links' on the Gazette website, www.gazette.gov.ky. You can also email your query to caymangazette@gov.ky or phone (345) 949-8092.

# Can you email me a Cayman Islands Crest in (various formats, ai, eps, jpg)?

GIS has the government crest available in several formats and can email it; however, certain circumstances may require permission first. The crest belongs to the Cayman Islands Government and cannot be used in any for profit venture without written consent from the Chief Secretary's Office.

# Can you email me an electronic version of the Cayman Islands Government Organizational Chart?

Sure, we have an electronic version available to email. There's also a copy on www.gov.ky for downloading. On the home page, go into 'About Government'.

# Can I buy a copy of the poster that shows all the CI National Symbols?

There are no more copies of the popular poster that GIS designed for the Education Department although we can provide a scan of the original poster.

# Our department was featured on GIS Spotlight. Can I get a copy of the show?

Sure. The video unit makes DVD copies available at \$10 each. *GIS Spotlight* stories are also posted on government's channel on YouTube: http://uk.youtube.com/user/CIGovtInfoServices.

I need to apply for a visa to visit the Cayman Islands. Please let me know how I can apply.

For general information, visit the Cayman Islands' Immigration Department website, www.immigration.gov.ky.

# What is the correct title for ... (various Government officials)? What is the order of precedence for the Cayman Islands?

Contact Mrs. Virginia Madison at the Protocol Office, (345) 244-3608 or Virginia.Madison@gov.ky.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

#### Governance

- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)
- Freedom of Information Law 2007

# FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

#### Financial management

 2009 – 2010 Budget – available at http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1593653&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTA L

# **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Procedures to publish notices in the Gazette can be found on www.gazette.gis.ky:

#### **Submissions**

Commercial notices must be submitted to the Gazette Office by 12 noon on the Friday before the publication date.

Government notices must be submitted to the Gazette Office by 12 noon on the Wednesday before the publication date.

These deadlines apply to all Gazettes. Any notices received after the stated deadlines, will automatically be published in the next issue, unless otherwise specified.

If you wish to publish a notice outside of the scheduled Gazettes, you can request an Extraordinary Gazette. These can be published any time, except for weekends and public holidays. See Advertising Rates for more details.

#### Requirements:

- Notices must be submitted by email in Microsoft Word format to caymangazette@gov.ky
- Original copies and payment by cheque must follow by hand or mail.
- Covering instructions setting out requirements must accompany all notices. Dates, proper names and signatures must be shown clearly.
- Faxed transmissions of copy are not acceptable, unless arrangements have been made with the Gazette Office, in which case they must be followed by a signed original delivered the same day.

Copies will be returned unpublished if not submitted in accordance with these requirements.

Templates for certain notices are available from the Gazette Office. Please e-mail caymangazette@gov.ky.

Notices for publication and related correspondence should be addressed to:
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Government Information Services
Cayman Islands Government
Aqua World Mall, Merrendale Drive
Grand Cayman
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# **Computer Services Department**

# **Publication Schemes**

# Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits Computer Services Department (CSD) to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

CSD will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
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Wesley Howell
Information Manager
Computer Services Department
Government Admin Building
Grand Cayman
Cayman Islands KY1 9000

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Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

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#### **ABOUT US**

Computer Services Department (CSD) is a shared service department providing a full range of high quality Information Technology (IT) and consulting services to Government departments and agencies.

#### **MINISTRY**

CSD falls under the responsibility of the Cabinet Office; this position reflects the strategic importance of Information Technology within the Cayman Islands Government.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The Cabinet Office sets the strategic directions for Computer Services; approving business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

Cabinet Office is the administering the authority for CSD. The Authority for many financial, administrative and HR function has been delegated down to the Director of CSD. This includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies using the laws, policies and procedures that regulate the function of government entities.

# LAWS & REGULATIONS FOR CIVIL SERVICE

# **Financial Management**

- Financial Regulations 2004
- The Public Management and Finance Law (2003 Revision)
- July 2008 Annual Salary Scale for Salaried Staff and Hourly Rates for bi-weekly employees.

#### **Administration & Human Resource Management**

- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision): Complete set of laws for the Cayman Islands Civil Service
- Schedule One of the Personnel Regulations: A document describing Employment Terms and conditions 05-Dec-2007
- Public Servant Code of Conduct Code of Conduct for Civil Servants 05-Dec-2007
- Personnel Regulations, 2006
- Public Service Management Law, 2005: HR Law

# **Records Management**

- Chief Secretary's Code of Practice on Record Management
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- National Archive and Public Records Law, 2007

# **Cabinet Office**

Chief Officer

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Email foi.cab@gov.ky

Website: www.cabinetoffice.gov.ky

Hours of Work: 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

# **CSD Principle officers**

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Email: foi.CSD@gov.ky Website: www.csd.gov.ky

Hours of Work: 8.30am-5pm, Monday-Friday

# **CSD Information Manager**

FOI Information Manager Wesley Howell at 345-949-8277 or direct line at 345-244-2329 or email at foi.csd@gov.ky.

# **RESPONSIBILITIES & FUNCTIONS OF CSD**

Computer Services is a shared service department providing high quality Information Technology (IT) and consulting services to Government departments and agencies. Computer Services also provides consulting, and IT services to two regional governments at industry standard rates

# **Services Offered**

Computer Services has four functional service areas:

# 1) Applications Development & Support

Here Computer Services staff members perform the services of IT Consulting, Strategic planning, Project Management, Business Process review and redesign, software development and E-Government, Electronic Document Management, Core Financial System Management and software support.

# 2) <u>Technical Services</u>

Computer Services Technical Services staff provide Network Management, Network Design, System Management and Analysis Services. The team is responsible for the installation of new equipment the networking of new projects and the installation of end user software applications. Additionally the Technical Services Team also provides expert support and maintenance services to government computer users.

# 3) Operations:

Computer Operations are responsible for the management and support of windows, unix and linux servers. The team services the internal and external (internet) email services, web hosting and management and support of network switches, routers, fibre optic and copper cabling that provide network connectivity for the Cayman Islands Government. This team delivers Internet security, network security, virus protection, data backup and restoration services. The operations team members are also on call for after-hours IT Support.

# 4) <u>Distribution Services</u>

Distribution Services staff operates a commercial class paper and other consumable supplies procurement and distribution services as well as the sorting and distribution of

mail, and faxes. Additionally Distribution Services offers top quality high volume photocopying, printing and binding services.

# 5) Administration

Computer Services administration fills the role of general accounting and administration services.

#### **CSD LAWS & REGULATIONS**

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The Department of CSD not directly regulated by any laws, but as an ICT service provider CSD adheres to the three main laws:

- Electronic Transactions Law 2000
- Computer Misuse Law 2000
- Information & Communications Technology Authority Law 2002 (Now superseded amended 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2009)

Additionally as a government agency CSD adheres to the:

National Archive and Public Records Law 2007

#### **CSD GUIDELINES**

- CSD has internal guidelines and for various aspects of the departments core services.
  - o Guidelines for Configuring a Linux Servers for Oracle
  - Standards for networking addressing
  - o Standards for server naming
  - Guidelines for PC image building
  - o Standard Operating Procedures for IT desktop / laptop condemnation.

# **CSD POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

In addition to the laws and regulations listed above the following policies and procedures are used at CSD.

- Complaints-handling procedure
- Cabinet Office Portfolio Human Resource policies & procedures
- Hurricane Preparedness manual
- IT Security Related Procedures

#### **List of Forms Used (External & Internal)**

- Create User Account
- Delete User Account
- IRIS User Request Form
- Supplies Requisition forms
- Copy/Binding Request forms

# **CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD**

Classes of Information	Restrictions & Accessibility to information
Cabinet reports &	FOI request concerning this type of information should be directed to

recommendations	the Information Manager in the Cabinet Office.
Personal / Human	Access to information restricted to the relevant personnel.
Resource records	
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Tender Contracts	Confidential information will be redacted or will not be released.
IT security &	Access to this information is restricted as its release would undermine
Configuration	the security and integrity of the government IT systems as a whole.
documents	



# Portfolio of the Civil Service

# **Publication Schemes**

# Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice

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- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted1 form, wherever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in *Section 7: Categories of information*.

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#### Phone

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# <u>Post</u>

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Information Manager Portfolio of the Civil Service C/O Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

# Personal visits

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#### 4. Fees and charges

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#### 6. Complaints

The Portfolio of the Civil Service aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the authority in writing via email or letter, (see: http://www.pocs.gov.ky 'Complaints'), and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

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# **ABOUT US**

# Name of Portfolio of the Civil Service

The Portfolio of the Civil Service is a Ministry level agency of the Cayman Islands Government whose Chief Officer reports to the Deputy Governor.

# Principle officer

The Principle officer in the Portfolio of the Civil Service is:

Mrs. Gloria McField-Nixon
Chief Officer
Portfolio of the Civil Service
C/O Government Administration Building
Grand Cayman KY1-9000

#### Information manager

The Information Manager for the Portfolio of the Civil Service can be contacted:

By mail at: Ian Fenton Portfolio of the Civil Service C/O Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Grand Cayman

By phone on: (345) 244 2344

Or by email at: foi.pocs@gov.ky

# **Organisation and functions**

The Portfolio of the Civil Service (PoCS) is responsible for supporting the further development of Human Resources Management across the Civil Service, including the development and implementation of a Civil Service College, and the promotion of HR best practice. We provide policy advice on HR matters to His Excellency the Governor and the Head of the Civil Service, monitor and evaluate compliance with the Public Service Management Law and Personnel Regulations. The PoCS also provides a range of operational HR services, and is responsible for the implementation and monitoring of Public Sector reform initiatives.

#### **Location and Hours**

The Portfolio of the Civil Service is open from 8.30 a.m. until 5.00 pm from Monday to Friday and is located at:

2nd Floor Cayman Corporate Centre Hospital Road, George Town, Grand Cayman.

#### **Boards and committees**

The Portfolio Administered the Public Service Commission until 31st December 2006, and as such holds historical records relating to that body.

# Frequently asked questions

Where can I see what current vacancies exist?

Job vacancies in the civil service are posted at http://www.recruitment.gov.ky/

# STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the Portfolio's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the Portfolio's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programmes to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

The key strategic goals from an ownership perspective for the Portfolio are available in the Annual Budget Statement for the Portfolio under the section 'Strategic Ownership Goals': see

http://www.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/CIGHOME/FIND/ORGANISATIONS/AZAGENCIES/PFE/THEBU DGET/20102011/153571%202010-11%20ANNUAL%20BUDGET%20STATEMENT.PDF

#### Governance

Law and Regulations that direct the functions and activities of the Portfolio are:

- Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- Public Service Management (Amendment) Law, 2009
- Public Service Management (Amendment) Law, 2010
- Personnel Regulations, 2006
- Personnel (Amendment) Regulations, 2009
- Personnel (Amendment) Regulations, 2010
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)

- Finance Regulations, 2004
- Freedom of Information Law, 2007

# **Corporate management**

The principal planning document for the Portfolio is the Annual Budget Statement which can be found at:

http://www.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/CIGHOME/FIND/ORGANISATIONS/AZAGENCIES/PFE/THEBU DGET/20102011/153571%202010-11%20ANNUAL%20BUDGET%20STATEMENT.PDF

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the Portfolio's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies. Principal accounting policies are adopted and are prepared in accordance with International Public Accounting Standards.

# Financial management \*

Documents relating to the administration of the Portfolio's monetary resources include:

- Annual Budget
- Financial statements: quarterly and annual
- Audit reports

#### Administration \*

Documents relating to other administrative functions carried out within the Portfolio include:

- Continuity of Operations
- Pay scales
- Press releases
- Records management

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES \***

Current written protocols used by the Portfolio for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services include:

- Human Resources procedures
- Complaints handling procedure

# **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

As a mainly advisory and auditing body, the Portfolio's decisions are mainly internal in nature. The Portfolio holds information on:

- Evaluation criteria and selection methodology for recruitment
- Disciplinary and dismissal matters
- Procurement decisions

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The Portfolio holds the following lists and registers:

- Fixed Assets Register
- Freedom of Information Disclosure Log (available at http://www.pocs.gov.ky )

#### **OUR SERVICES**

# The Portfolio provides the following services to His Excellency the Governor, the Deputy Governor and the Cabinet:

- Policy Advice on Civil Service Matters,
  - Information held includes research papers, administrative circulars developed for the Deputy Governor and documentation for projects undertaken for the Deputy Governor
- Strategic Human Resources Functions of Government,
  - o Information held includes communications with the Cayman Islands Civil Service Association, ad hoc HR reports, annual HR reports to the Cabinet, documentation for the development of the HR IRIS computer system and strategic HR advice provided to the Civil Service as a whole.
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  - o Information held includes audit reports, audit programmes and audit methodologies.
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# **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Public Service Pensions Board

# **Ministry**

Portfolio of the Civil Service

# Principle officer

Jewel Evans Lindsey, Managing Director

Main line: (345) 945-8175 Direct Line: 244-7102

Email: <a href="mailto:jewel.evans-lindsey@pspb.ky">jewel.evans-lindsey@pspb.ky</a>

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# **Information Manager**

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Website: www.pspb.gov.ky or www.foi.gov.ky

Melanie Ebanks-Jackson, Information Manager (Designate)

Main line: (345) 945-8175 Direct line: 244-7122

Email: melanie.ebanks-jackson@pspb.ky or foi.peb@gov.ky

Website: www.pspb.gov.ky or www.foi.gov.ky

# **Organisation and functions**

To provide public sector employees with retirement provisions that are adequate, equitable and safe, through effective management of the public sector pension funds, efficient administration of the plan(s) provisions, proper communications to participants, and ensuring that the financial provisions being made conform to professional standards, taking into account the very long-term commitment of obligations.

P O Box 912 Grand Cayman KY1-1103 CAYMAN ISLANDS (345) 945-8175 (345) 949-3573 www.foi.peb@gov.ky www.pspb.gov.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
Ground Floor The Smith Road Centre 154 Smith Road, George Town Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands Opened from 8:30a to 5:00p	All matters relating to the administration of the Public Service Pension Fund, the Plans governed by the Public Service Pensions Law, The Parliamentary Pensions Law, and the Judges' Emoluments And Allowances Law

# **Boards and Committees**

Members: Hon. Kenneth Jefferson, Chairman Mrs. Sonia McLaughlin, Deputy Chairman Mr. Wayde Bardswell, Legal Council  held quarterly and are not car open to the public. Ma	Name N	Meetings	Minutes
Mr. Franz Manderson Mr. James Walter, CICSA President Mr. Kirkland Nixon, Pensioner's Representative	Board of Directors Members: Hon. Kenneth Jefferson, Chairman Mrs. Sonia McLaughlin, Deputy Chairman Mr. Wayde Bardswell, Legal Council Mr. Franz Manderson Mr. James Walter, CICSA President	Meetings are held quarterly and are not open to the	Copies of minutes signed by the Chairman of the Board

	Representative Mrs. Jewel Evans Lindsey, Managing Director Ms. Kimberley Davis, Acting Secretary to the Board	
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## **Frequently Asked Questions**

http://www.pspb.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1628,2625821&\_dad=portal&\_sche\_ma=PORTAL

## How much pension will I get when I retire from the Service?

If you are a participant of the Defined Benefit Part of the Plan, your pension will be based on your pensionable years of service, pensionable earnings and rate of accrual. The longer the pensionable service, the higher your pension benefits. Similarly, the higher the pensionable earnings, the higher the pension benefits. If you are a participant of the Defined Contribution Part of the Plan, your pension will be based on the sum of the balance in both your Participant Contribution Account and your Employer Contribution Account with interest.

## Who gets my pension benefits if I pass-on tomorrow?

Should you die whilst an active participant in the Plan, then a monthly pension equal to one-half of your Accrued Benefit will be paid to your surviving spouse. This pension will continue for the remainder of your spouse's life. In addition to the pension payable to your surviving spouse, pensions equal to one—half of your Accrued Benefit will be equally divided among all your dependent children. If you die leaving dependent children but no surviving spouse, then your dependent children will receive, in addition, the pension that would have been payable to your spouse, shared equally among them. If you do not have a spouse and dependent children, your benefits will be given to your designated beneficiary.

## In the Pension Law what is the definition of 'Dependent Children'?

Dependent child means a participant's child (including an adopted child who was adopted in a manner recognized by Law, an illegitimate child, a posthumous child or a step-child) who is either (a) under the age of 18, (b) under age 23 and in full-

time education, or (c) mentally or physically incapable of employment, as certified by the Chief Medical Officer.

#### When can I retire?

You can retire from the Plan and start to receive your pension in any of the following situations: When you reach Normal Retirement Age, age 60; When you reach Early Retirement age 50, as long as you have at least ten years of Qualifying Service; If you become permanently disabled, as certified by the Chief Medical Officer, regardless of your age; or If your office is abolished or if your department is reorganised and you are removed from office, regardless of your age. This is called Special Retirement.

# I am separated from my spouse. Will he/she get my pension benefits if I don't want them to?

Your spouses' benefits can be assigned to your children by election and we have a form available for this. This form is the "Transfer of Spouse's Pension Election Form" and can be found on the eForms section of this website.

#### Can I lose my pension?

The Public Service Pensions Law protects your pension from forfeiture, even if convicted of a crime or declared bankrupt. Any pension granted is also exempt from execution, seizure, attachment or any other process in respect of any debt or claim of a creditor. The pension is also not transferable or assignable except if a debt is due to the Government, or a Court Order directs the pension payments to a dependant.

## When was the Public Service Pensions Fund established?

The Public Service Pensions Fund was established on the 1st January 1992 with employee contributions dating back to 1990. Government contributions commenced in 1991 with a matching contribution rate of 4% of pay.

#### Who was the first Chairman of the Board?

The first Chairman of the Board was Mr. Thomas C. Jefferson OBE, JP.

## What employers participate in the Public Service Pensions Plan?

In addition to the Government, there are fourteen Public Sector employers that participate in the Public Service Pensions Plan. These are: Cayman Islands Airports Authority, Civil Aviation Authority, Cayman Islands Monetary Authority, Cayman Turtle Farm, Water Authority Cayman, Public Service Pensions Board, CAYS Foundation, CI Development Bank, Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands, Health Services Authority, National Housing Trust, National Roads Authority, Electricity Regulatory Authority and Information and Communications Technology Authority.

## How many participants are there in the Plan?

There were 1,508 participants in the Plan as at January 1993. The current active participants count now stands at 3,158.

## How many pensioners are there?

There are currently 652 pensioners representing retirees from the three Government sponsored plans.

## What plans does the Board administer?

Plans administered by the Board include Parliamentary, Judiciary, and the Public Service Pensions Plan.

## When was the first actuarial validation carried out? What is the value of the actuarial deficiency?

The first actuarial validation was carried out as at 31st December 1989 which disclosed a contingent liability of \$32.5 million for the Public Service Pensions Plan. The actuarial deficiency as at 1st January 2002 was \$165 million.

#### Who was the first administrator of the Public Service Pensions Fund?

The first administrator of the Public Service Pensions Fund was the then Manager, Currency Board, Mrs Jewel Evans Lindsey.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

#### Governance

High-level documents that inform and direct the functions and activities of the authority.



Public Service Pensions Law (2004 Revision)



Public Service Pensions Regulations (2008 Revision)

Public Service Pensions (Ex-Gratia Pensions) (Amendment) Regulations, 2009



Parliamentary Pensions Law, 2004 Judges Emoluments and Allowances Order 2005

## **Corporate management**

High-level documents that plan and evaluate the work of the authority.

Annual reports

http://www.pspb.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/PEBHOME/ABOUTUS/REPORTS/2004A NNUALREPORT.PDF



**Actuarial Valuations** 



**Investment Managers Reports** 

## FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

## Financial management

Documents relating to the administration of the authority's monetary resources including projected and actual income and expenditure; tendering; procurement; and contracts.



Annual Board approved budget



Annual Financial statements

#### Administration

Documents relating to other administrative functions carried out within the authority including buildings, equipment & vehicles; communications; human resources; information & technology management.

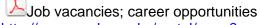


Press releases

http://www.pspb.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1628,2686101& dad=portal& schema=P ORTAL



Bi-Annual Newsletter



http://www.pspb.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1628,3520539&\_dad=portal&\_schema=P ORTAL



Organizational chart

http://www.pspb.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1628,3520505& dad=portal& schema=P ORTAL



Records management file plan or classification scheme

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Current written protocols used by the authority for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services.



Complaints-handling procedure

http://www.pspb.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1628,3520505& dad=portal& sche ma=PORTAL

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decisionmaking processes.



Minutes of the Board of Directors that have been signed off by the Chairman

## LISTS & REGISTERS

Information held in registers required by law and other lists or registers relating to the functions of the authority.

Actual lists and registers may be published under this heading.

Alternatively, the authority should enter details about each list or register – how it can be viewed or accessed, and whether any fees or charges apply.



FOI disclosure log

## **OUR SERVICES**

This category provides detailed information about the services offered and activities carried out by the authority, to fulfil its high-level functions and responsibilities.

It should describe the services and activities available locally, nationally and internationally.

The authority should publish:

- documents used by the authority in providing those services;
- documents used by clients to obtain those services;
- links to web pages where services are available online.



Forms

Benefit Election Form

Designated Beneficiary Election Form

Designated Guardian Election Form

http://www.pspb.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1628,3520505& dad=portal& sche ma=PORTAL



## Portfolio of Internal & External Affairs

## **Publication Scheme**

## Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the **Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs** to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

#### The Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below:
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The **Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs** will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the **Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs**, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the **Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs**' (or another organization's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at <a href="http://www.pie.gov.ky">http://www.pie.gov.ky</a>. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact the Information Manager, Ms. Kathryn Dinspel-Powell or the Records Officer, Ms. Allyson Minus-Phillips at foi.pie@gov.ky or at (345) 244-3179.

#### **Email**

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.pie@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### <u>Phone</u>

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call (345) 244-3179 to request information.

#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

The Information Manager
Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs
3rd Floor, Government Administration Building
Grand Cayman, KY1-9000
CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, and full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

Please refer to our Document Library and Disclosure Log on our website at <a href="http://www.pie.gov.ky">http://www.pie.gov.ky</a> first, as the information that you are seeking may have already been published.

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact the Information Manager or The Records Officer at foi.pie@gov.ky or (345) 244-3179.

The **Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs** will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the **Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs** is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

The **Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs** will endeavor to make as much information available on its website as possible, however, in the event that you are seeking information that is not posted there, or if you would prefer to view the information in hard copy in person, arrangements can be made to do so by appointment in the privacy of our conference room. In order to make an appointment, you can contact the Information Manager, the Information Manager (Designate) or the Records Officer at foi.pie@gov.ky or at (345) 244-3179.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The **Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs** strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of CI\$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and CI\$1.50 per page (colour; any size). Computer discs will be charged at a rate of CI\$2.00 per disc.

## Postage costs

The **Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs** will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the **Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs** has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the **The Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs** that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested by:

- 1. Writing to the Information Manager, Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS;
- 2. Sending an e-mail to the Information Manager, Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs at foi.pie@gov.ky;
- 3. Sending a fax to the attention of the Information Manager, Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs at (345) 946-5453;

- 4. Dropping into our offices on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS, or
- 5. You can also refer online to: http://www.pie.gov.ky Making a Request. In all instances, your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

#### 6. Complaints

The **Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs** aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Information Manager, Ms. Kathryn Dinspel-Powell or the Records Officer, Ms. Allyson Minus-Phillips at foi.pie@gov.ky or at (345) 244-3179, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

You can also see http://www.pie.gov.ky Complaints or FOI Appeal for further information about our complaints procedures.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: (345) 747 5402 email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

#### 7. Categories of information

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#### **ABOUT US**

## Name of public authority

PORTFOLIO OF INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

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Kathryn Dinspel-Powell, Information Manager foi.pie@.gov.ky or (345) 244-3183

Allyson Minus-Phillips, Records Officer foi.pie@gov.ky or (345) 244-3179

Please also refer to the Freedom of Information website at www.foi.gov.ky for additional information.

## **Organisation and functions**

**The Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs** is responsible for ensuring effective and democratic governance for a well-informed populace. As such, the Portfolio and its agencies:

- Take care of the operation and accommodation of the Legislative Assembly;
- Provide policy advice to the Cabinet on immigration, public safety and law enforcement matters; and
- Contribute to the safety and well-being of the community through effective immigration controls, detention and rehabilitation of prisoners and disaster preparations.

#### **How to Contact Us:**

Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Phone: (345) 244-3179 Fax: (345) 946-5453 E-mail: foi.pie@gov.ky Website: www.pie.gov.ky

#### **Emergency Communications and Electronic Monitoring – 911**

The 911 Emergency Communications Centre's mission is to:

- Provide 24-hour response to all emergencies in the Cayman Islands;
- Offer a speedy reaction while maintaining high standards and professional service;
- Co-ordinate emergency response by prioritising and timely dispatch of appropriate units;

- Provide appropriate life-saving, pre-arrival instructions to callers to lessen the impact of an emergency; and
- Maintain officer safety vigilantly.

The 911 Centre also coordinates the electronic monitoring provisions of the Alternative Sentencing Law. In this role 911 carries out the wishes of the Court in sentencing offenders with an electronic curfew, and provides options for the pre-release of prisoners and those out on bail at the desire of law enforcement authorities.

Website: www.911.gov.ky Telephone: (345) 949-9008

#### **Hazard Management Cayman Islands**

Hazard Management Cayman Islands (HMCI) has overall responsibility for the national hazard management programme, including preparedness, response, mitigation and recovery. The agency deals with all hazards (man-made and natural) and is permanently staffed and ready to go operational at all times. HMCI is responsible for the National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOC) which is located at the Fire Station in George Town, Grand Cayman. The NEOC is activated to direct and coordinate the response to national threats. HMCI also oversees and maintains the National Hazard Management Plans for threats such as hurricanes and earthquakes.

Website: www.caymanprepared.ky Telephone: (345) 945-4624 Fax: (345) 946-5020

#### The Legislative Department

The Legislative Department provides overall management of the Legislative Assembly. The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly is responsible for the custody of the votes, records, Bills and other documents laid before the House as well as the production of official reports of all speeches made in the House or in Committee.

The Legislative Assembly of the Cayman Islands is a unicameral legislature comprising 18 Members, 15 of whom are the elected representatives for the Islands' six districts, four each from George Town and West Bay, three from Bodden Town, two from Cayman Brac and Little Cayman, and one each from North Side and East End. The Deputy Governor and the Attorney General are the two Official members who are appointed by the Governor. The current Speaker of the House is not an elected representative.

The Governor may at any time, by Proclamation, prorogue or dissolve the Assembly. The Governor shall dissolve the Assembly at the expiration of four years from the date when the Assembly first meets after any general election unless it has been dissolved sooner. There shall be a general election at such time (within two months, after every dissolution of the Assembly) as the Governor, by Proclamation, appoint.

The first meeting of every session of the House shall, by Proclamation, be held on such day as the Governor shall appoint. A session usually consists of four meetings, with a meeting typically being comprised of several sittings.

Website: www.legislativeassembly.ky Telephone: (345) 949-4236 Fax: (345) 949-9514

#### **Cayman Islands Department of Immigration**

The Department of Immigration was founded in 1971 and manages a number of key functions in order to safeguard the socio-economic prosperity of the Cayman Islands. The department:

- Manages the flow of immigrants into the islands and carries out administrative processing of applications for persons seeking permanent residence, Caymanian Status, the right to work in Cayman or asylum;
- Enforces work permit policies and facilitates the process of issuing work permits to foreign workers;
- Carries out security checks for the processing and issuing of visas and permits for persons who want to work, study or live in the islands;
- Maintains two overseas visa offices located in Jamaica and Honduras where visa applications are processed for persons seeking to enter the Cayman Islands from those jurisdictions. Immigration also handles the processing of visas for certain nationals transiting through the Cayman Islands; and
- Investigates and prosecutes breaches of the Immigration Law including violations of work permit rules, illegal entry into the Cayman Islands and marriages of convenience among others.

Website: www.immigration.gov.ky Telephone: (345) 949-8344 Fax: (345) 949-8486

#### Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service

Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service (HMCIPS) maintains secure custody of those committed by the Courts; maintains good order in prison establishments; provides support to prisoners; cares for prisoners with humanity and provides opportunities for prisoners to address their offending behaviour. The aim is to:

- Deliver offender management services, programmes and activities which address the causes of offending and re-offending; and
- Work in partnership with other organizations in the public, private and voluntary sectors to achieve key offender outcomes.

Offender management requires a number of agencies to work in partnership to achieve specific key prisoner outcomes in order to reduce re-offending. These outcomes are:

- Sustained or improved physical and mental health;
- Reduced or stabilised substance misuse;
- Improved literacy skills;
- Increased prospects for employment;
- Maintained or improved relationships with family, peers and community;
- Ability to access community resources and support:
- Ability to access appropriate accommodation;
- Ability to live independently;
- Improvements in the attitudes and behaviours which lead to offending; and
- Greater acceptance of responsibility and understanding of the impact of their offending behaviour on victims.

Telephone: (345) 947-3000 (HMP Northward) Fax: (345) 947-3014 (HMP Northward) Fax: (345) 946-6214 (HMP Fairbanks)

#### **Royal Cayman Islands Police Service**

The purpose of the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service (RCIPS) is to:

- Uphold the law fairly and firmly:
- Prevent and detect crime:

- Pursue and bring to justice those who break the law;
- Keep the peace; and
- Protect, help and reassure the community with integrity, sound judgement and common sense.

The RCIPS serves all three of the Cayman Islands. The management team is headed by the Commissioner of Police and supported by three Deputy Commissioners. The team is further strengthened by one chief superintendent, four superintendents, a business manager, a financial and administrative manager, a public relations officer and a human resources manager.

The RCIPS works closely with other regional police forces and uses an information management system to log crimes and intelligence in conjunction with six other overseas jurisdictions, namely: Miami, FLA., Anguilla, British Virgin Islands, Turks and Caicos, Montserrat and Trinidad.

Website: www.rcips.ky Telephone: (345) 949-4222 Fax: (345) 946-2418

#### The Elections Office

The Elections Office is responsible for the general directions and supervision over the administrative conduct of elections and to enforce on the part of all elections officers, fairness, impartiality and compliance with the Election Law. The Supervisor of Elections issues the necessary instructions to election officers to ensure the effective execution of the Elections Law. He also executes and performs all other powers and duties that are conferred and imposed on him by the Election Law. The Election Office's website contains all of their published reports including the Revised List of Electors (October 20, 2009).

Website: www.electionsoffice.ky Telephone: (345) 949-8047

#### **Department of Community Rehabilitation**

The Department of Community Rehabilitation (DCR), formerly known as The Department of Probation and Aftercare, plays a significant role in the supervision and rehabilitation of adult offenders in the community.

The DCR assists the Courts and the Parole Board by providing pre-sentencing and pre-release reports, which assist with the decision making on case disposal. The DCR also provides community-based supervision to adult offenders (age 17 and older) who are on Court orders or Parole Licenses. In addition to the supervision of offenders, rehabilitative and preventative services are provided through individual sessions as well as specific groups including Domestic Violence (for perpetrators), Anger Management, Time to Change, Stress Management and Aftercare Support.

The DCR provides services both in Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac. In their efforts to best meet the needs of their clientele, they use a collaborative approach and work with various agencies throughout the islands.

Website: under construction Telephone: (345) 949-1693 Fax: (345) 949-2838

#### **Commissions Secretariat**

The purpose of the Commissions Secretariat is to provide analytical and administrative support to four new commissions created under the 2009 Constitution. These are the Constitutional Commission, the Human Rights Commission, the Commission for Standards in Public Life, and the Judicial and Legal Services Commission. The Commissions Secretariat is made up of a Manger, four Administrator/Analysts, and an Office Administrator. Each Commission will require various forms of administrative assistance as well as a strong research capacity in order to fulfill its constitutional responsibilities.

The Constitutional Commission is a three-person commission established under section 118 of the new Constitution and is comprised of: Pastor Al Ebanks (Chairman), Mrs. Julene Banks, and Mr. Wil Pineau. Under the Constitution, this commission has a threefold remit of advising government on questions concerning constitutional status and development, promoting public understanding and awareness of the Constitution and its values, and publishing reports, papers and other documents on any constitutional matters affecting the Cayman Islands. Phone: 244-3685; Fax: 945-8649; P.O. Box 391 KY1-1106; E-mail: deborah.bodden@gov.ky; FOI requests: foi.cos@gov.ky.

The Human Rights Commission established under section 116 of the Constitution is comprised of five members: Mr. Richard Coles (Chairman), Mrs. Sara Collins, Mrs. Cathy Frazier, Reverend Nicholas Sykes, and Mr. Alistair Walters. The primary responsibility of the commission is to promote understanding and observance of human rights in the Cayman Islands. Phone: 244-3685; Fax: 945-8649; P.O. Box 391 KY1-1106; Website: www.humanrightscommission.ky; E-mail: deborah.bodden@gov.ky; FOI requests: foi.cos@gov.ky.

The Commission for Standards in Public Life was established under sections 117 and 121 of the Constitution and is comprised of: Mrs. Karin Thompson (Chair), Mr. Roy McTaggart, Pastor Winston Rose, Mrs. Nyda-Mae Flatley, and Mr. Hedley Robinson. Its overall function is to promote "the highest standards of integrity and competence in public life in order to ensure the prevention of corruption or conflicts of interest." Phone: 244-3685; Fax: 945-8649; P.O. Box 391 KY1-1106; Website: www.standardsinpubliclifecommission.ky; E-mail: deborah.bodden@gov.ky; FOI requests: foi.cos@gov.ky.

The Judicial and Legal Services Commission was established under Section 105 of the Constitution and is comprised of Dan Scott (Chairman), Dara Flowers-Burke, Sir John Chadwick, Richard Coles, Richard Ground, OBE, Charles Jennings, Sir David Simmons, and Justice Edward Zacca, JA, OJ.

As in accordance with the Constitution the power to make appointments to various judicial offices, and to remove and to exercise disciplinary control over persons holding or acting in such offices, shall vest in the Governor, in accordance with the advice of the Judicial and Legal Services Commission. Phone: 244-3685; Fax: 945-8649; P.O. Box 391 KY1-1106; E-mail: deborah.bodden@gov.ky; FOI requests: foi.cos@gov.ky

## **Civil Aviation Authority**

The role of the Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands is primarily to function as the regulatory organization responsible for safety oversight and economic regulation of the aviation industry throughout the territory and to ensure that the Cayman Islands aviation industry conforms to the standards and recommended practices of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

Website: www.caacayman.com Telephone: (345) 949-7811 Fax: (345) 949-0761

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## **Boards & Committees**

List of Committees, Boards, Councils, Associations, Trusts, Foundations, etc. that fall under the remit of the Portfolio:

## **Civil Aviation Authority**

- Air Transport Licensing Authority
- Air Transport Licensing Board

## **Immigration Department**

- Business Staffing Plan Board
- Cayman Brac and Little Cayman Immigration Board
- Caymanian Status and Permanent Residency Board
- Work Permit Board

## **Hazard Management Cayman Islands**

National Hazard Management Executive (NEOC)

## e-Government Advisory Committee

**Boards that the Portfolio directly oversees:** 

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Parole Commissioner's Board  Members: Debbie Ebanks, Cert. Hon (Chairman) Pastor Alson Ebanks, Cert. Hon (Deputy Chairman) Twila Escalante (Member) Marilyn Conolly (Member) Dwene Ebanks (Member)	Quarterly Meetings, closed to the general public; held at Her Majesty's Prison, Northward.	Minutes are not published as per the FOI Law 2007, s. 23 (1)
Prisons Inspection Board  Members 2010-2012: Arek Joseph, OBE (Chairman) Rachel Ebanks (Member West Bay) Peter Van Der Bol (Member, George Town) Caroline Solomon (Member, Bodden Town)	Monthly Meetings; closed to the general public; held on the 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Admin. Bldg, East Conference Room	Minutes are not published as they are considered Exempt under Part III of the FOI Law, s. 15(a), however, an FOI Request can be made for any of these records and the Information Manager will make a formal decision on access. Please refer to Section 5. Requests for Information Outside the Publication Scheme for details.

Linda Connolly (Member, North Side) McFarlane Conolly (Member, East End) Audley Scott (Member, Sister Islands)		
Name	Meetings	Minutes
Advisory Committee on the Prerogative of Mercy (ACPM) Board  Ex-Officio Members: H.E. The Governor, Mr. Duncan Taylor (Chairman), The Hon. Attorney General, Mr. Sam Bulgin, Debra Prendergast (Secretary) Gerald Smith (CMO)	Are called by the Governor when there are applications to consider. In the absence of any applications, there will be a meeting held annually. Meetings closed to the general public; held at the Offices of the Governor.	Minutes are not published as per the FOI Law 2007, s. 23 (1)
Members: Arek Joseph OBE Rev. Stanwyck Myles Beulah McField Pastor Davelee Tibbetts (Member, Sister Islands)		

#### **Parole Commissioners' Board**

The Parole Commissioners' Board is responsible for reviewing parole dossiers and interviewing prisoners eligible for parole in order to make recommendations to His Excellency the Governor regarding the granting of parole for Caymanian prisoners and remittance of sentences for Foreign National prisoners.

#### **Prisons Inspection Board**

The Prisons Inspection Board acts on behalf of the public and the Cabinet member responsible for prison, by providing an independent perspective on the conditions in the Islands' correctional facilities as well as the ways in which these facilities are achieving the two main goals of Cayman's prison system:

- to provide secure and humane custody for those sentenced to prison by the courts; to
- promote the rehabilitation of inmates so that they live law-abiding and useful lives in custody and after release.

## **Advisory Committee on the Prerogative of Mercy (ACPM)**

The Advisory Committee on the Prerogative of Mercy (ACPM) is a new body established under sections 39 and 40 of the Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009 Constitution. Its function is to advise HE the Governor on whether or not to grant prisoners mercy in the form of either pardon, respite, a substitute sentence, or remission. Although the Governor is bound to consult the committee when he makes these decisions, the choice of whether to exercise these powers or not is at his sole discretion. Under the 1972 Constitution, the Governor exercised very similar powers. What is new in the 2009 Constitution is the provision that he must consult the ACPM whenever they are exercised. The ACPM is entirely separate from any other body established to administer parole or conditional release from prison

The Governor presides at all meetings and summons meetings at his own discretion. There are six other members: the Hon. Attorney General, the Chief Medical Officer, and four members appointed by the Governor: Arek Joseph OBE, Rev. Stanwyck Myles, Beulah McField and Pastor Davelee Tibbetts (Member, Sister Islands). There is also a Board Secretary

Phone: 244-3114; Fax: 946-5453; C/O 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Gov't Admin. Bldg., George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Website: www.pie.gov.ky; E-mail: Debra.Prendergast@gov.k

#### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

How do I become naturalised / registered as a British Overseas Territory Citizen (BOTC)? An application form may be picked up from the receptionist at the Government Administration Building; please bring your Right to be Caymanian/Caymanian Certificate or Permanent Residence Letter and Certificate as proof in order to receive the correct application form. Once you have completed your application, call (345) 244-2403/2441 to make an appointment so that a staff member can take your personal details and answer any questions that you may have pertaining to your application. A non-refundable filing fee of KYD200.00 must accompany each application along with all other relevant supporting documents; no application will be accepted unless fully completed. Once your application has been accepted, it takes between three to six months to process. Written notification of the outcome will be sent to the postal address as per your application. The fee for the grant of Naturalisation is KYD625.00 and for Registration is KYD250.00.

#### How do I register as a British citizen?

At your Naturalisation pledge ceremony you will receive an application to register as a British citizen. This form is also available on our website at <a href="http://www.pie.gov.ky">http://www.pie.gov.ky</a> Forms. There is an administrative fee of KYD200.00 payable to the Cayman Islands Government in the form of cash or cheque/draft. A processing fee of £500.00\* made payable in draft form to: Accounting Officer, Home Office. Please call (345) 244-2286 to make an appointment so that a staff member can verify that your application is complete and that you have provided the appropriate supporting documentation. Once your application has been accepted, this process takes between six months to a year to complete. Verbal notification of the outcome will be made as per the contact details listed on your application. Should your application be approved, you will then need to attend a pledge ceremony. Following your pledge ceremony you will be provided with a Certificate of British Registration and you are then free to apply for your British passport. For further information please call (345) 244-2286.

\*Fee is subject to change and is non-refundable.

#### Can I have a private pledge ceremony?

Yes. A fee of KYD500.00 is payable by a successful citizenship applicant who may wish to have a Private Pledge / Presentation Ceremony conducted.

#### What happens if I have to reschedule my pledge ceremony?

KYD100.00 is payable by a successful citizenship applicant who has to be re-scheduled because he or she was late or did not show-up for his or her participation in a Pledge / Presentation Ceremony. In order to be re-scheduled, he or she must first pay this fee and can only be exempted from so doing if proof is provided that it was because a medical emergency precluded their attendance.

## What is a "Proof of Nationality" Letter?

It is a legal document to replace the original Certificate of Naturalisation or Registration which has been lost or destroyed. The document can be used to confirm that the individual is a citizen of the Cayman Islands by virtue of being granted Naturalisation or Registration. Once the application for the letter and the fee has been submitted, it can take up to a month to process. You can access the application form on our website at <a href="http://www.pie.gov.ky">http://www.pie.gov.ky</a> Forms.

## What is the fee for a "Proof of Nationality" letter?

The fee is KYD150.00 and this is payable to The Cayman Islands Government in the form of a cheque or draft.

\*Fee is subject to change and is non-refundable.

## Can I put the Cayman Islands flag and /or Coat of Arms on our business' website and/or stationary?

Any non-governmental agency use of the country's flag and/or Coat of Arms requires written permission from the Deputy Governor. For permission, submit a written request to: Deputy Governor's Office, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS

## Where can I obtain a Cayman Islands flag and/or Coat of Arms?

The Cayman Islands National Museum sells flags, Coat of Arms and other reproductions of Cayman's heritage at their gift shop. They are located in George Town and can be reached by calling (345) 949-8368 or via e-mail at info@museum.ky.

#### How can I become a Justice of the Peace?

A nomination to appoint someone as a Justice of the Peace (JP) must be received in writing by the Deputy Governor's Office. The nomination must be made without the knowledge of the nominee. Nominations can be sent to: Deputy Governor's Office, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS.

## How can I become a Notary Public?

Application forms can be obtained from and submitted to the Attorney General's Office. Please see their website: www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.ky or call them at (345) 949-7900 for further information.

#### Who are the members of the Parole Commissioner's Board?

Debbie Ebanks, Cert. Hon (Chairman)
Pastor Alson Ebanks, Cert. Hon (Deputy Chairman)
Twila Escalante (Member)
Marilyn Conolly (Member)
Dwene Ebanks (Member)

Do the members of the Parole Commissioner's Board receive payment for their services?

Members who are not employed with the Civil Service receive a small quarterly stipend.

- If I am from another country, how do I contact a consular agent?
  Visit the Government website at www.gov.ky and refer to the list of Consular Agents.
- What are the names of the past Governors, Administrators, Commissioners and Chief Magistrates in the Cayman Islands?

#### Governors:

- 1971 Athelstan Charles Ethelwulf LONG, CMG, CBE
- 1972 Kenneth Roy CROOK (later CMG)
- 1974 Thomas RUSSELL, CMG, CVO
- 1982 George Peter LLOYD, CMG, CVO
- 1987 Alan James SCOTT, CVO, CBE
- 1992 Michael Edward John GORE, CVO, CBE
- 1995 John Wynne OWEN, MBE (later CMG)
- 1999 Peter John SMITH, CBE
- 2002 Bruce Harry DINWIDDY, CMG
- 2005 Stuart D.M. JACK, CV

#### Administrators:

- Jack ROSE, MBE, DFC (later CMG)
- John Alfred CUMBER, CMG (later Sir John)
- Athelstan Charles Ethelwulf LONG, CMG, CBE

#### Commissioners:

- Frederick Shedden SANGUINNETTI, ISO
- George Stephenson Shirt HIRST
- Arthur C. ROBINSON
- Hugh Houston HUTCHINGS
- Captain G.H. FRITH
- Ernest Arthur WESTON
- Allen Wolsey CARDINALL, CMG (later Sir Allen)
- Albert Colinridge PANTON Snr. MBE (Acting)
- John Penry JONES
- Ivor Otterbein SMITH (later CMG, OBE)
- Andrew Morris GERRARD, CMG
- Alan Hilliard DONALD
- Jack ROSE, MBE, DFC (later CMG)

#### Chief Magistrates:

- William CARTWRIGHT
- William BODDEN

- James COE the Elder
- John DRAYTON
- James COE the Younger
- William EDEN
- William Bodden WEBSTER
- Edmund PARSONS

## **Employment Opportunities**

In an effort to minimise the potential impact of the global financial crisis and economic downturn on the government budget, the Cayman Islands Government has implemented a number of initiatives.

With effect from October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008 the Head of the Civil Service, under instruction from Cabinet, declared a moratorium on recruitment across the Civil Service. However, this has not prevented the appointment of necessary and essential personnel such as police officers, doctors, nurses and other specialist professionals.

As a result there are currently reduced opportunities to obtain employment within all public service entities, including statutory authorities and Government owned companies. For available vacancies please refer to the website www.recuritment.gov.ky

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

#### Governance

The following legislation and regulations inform and direct the functions and activities of the Portfolio:

- The Public Management & Finance Law (2005 Revision) & Financial Regulations (2007 Revision)
- The Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) & The Public Service Management (Amendment) Law, 2009 and Personnel Regulations, 2006
- Public Service Pensions Law (2004 Revision)
- Police Law (2006 revision)
- The British Nationality Law, 1981
- The Prisons Law (14 of 1975), the Prison Officers (Discipline) Regulations (1999)
   Revision, Prison Rules (1999 Revision) and the Prisons and Places of Detention Regs (2000 Revision)
- The Immigration Law (2007 Revision)
- The Marriage Law (2007 Revision)
- The Civil Aviation Authority Law (2005 Revision)
- The Civil Aviation Act, 1949 (amended at various times)
- The Air Transport Regulations, 1981
- The Air Navigation (Overseas Territories) (Order 2007)
- The Colonial Service Regulations (1998 Revision)
- Coat of Arms, Flag and National Song Law (2005 Revision)
- The National Archive and Public Records Law (2007) & Regulations (2007)
- The Freedom of Information Law, 2007 & the Freedom of Information (General) Regulations, 2008

You can access some of these documents on the Government website at www.gov.ky *Gazettes*. However, if you do not find the law that you are looking for you can purchase it from the Legislative Department at cost. That Department can be contacted at:

Address: P.O. Box 890, 33 Fort Street, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1103 (mail or drop in). Fax #: (345) 949-9514 Website: www.legislativeassembly.ky FOI E-Mail: foi.lgl@gov.ky

To see how the Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs fits into the overall structure of Government, please use the same website above and follow the path Government/More About Government/ Government Organization Chart.

With the adoption of the 2009 Constitution, a new chapter has begun in the way the Cayman Islands is governed. The new Constitution brings a more balanced style of governance in the shape of increased consultation and accountability in the running of the country.

For more information on the constitutional changes, please go to the Government website www.gov.ky and follow the path *Government/More About Government/Constitution*. In addition, there is a Guide to the 2009 Cayman Islands Constitution which can be found at http://www.constitution.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1961,1&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

## **Corporate management**

These documents assist the Portfolio with planning and evaluation:

- Hazard Management Plan: see http://www.pie.gov.ky Document Library
- Prisons Inspection Board Report: see http://www.pie.gov.ky Document Library
- Annual Report 2004/2005: see http://www.pie.gov.ky About Us/ Annual Report
- Report of the Cayman Islands Electoral Boundary Commission 2003: http://www.electionsoffice.ky/html%20report/index.htm

Please note that full financial accounts for '06/'07, '07/'08 and '08/'09 have been submitted to Audit.

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

## Financial management

The following relate to the administration of the authority's monetary resources:

- Annual Budget 2010/2011 see http://www.pie.gov.ky About Us/ The Budget
- Financial statements/ half-yearly / quarterly reports these are contained in the Annual Budget Statement, which can be accessed on our website as listed above
- Sources of revenue; Investments; Capital programme found in the Annual Budget Statement, which can be accessed on our website as listed above
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures these are included in the Annual Report - see http://www.pie.gov.k About Us/ Annual Report and also in the Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) & Financial Regulations (2007 Revision) – see www.gov.ky Gazettes.
- Ministerial expenditure available in the Annual Report see <a href="http://www.pie.gov.ky">http://www.pie.gov.ky</a>
   About Us/ Annual Report

#### Administration

The following documents pertain to the other administrative functions carried out within the authority:

Press releases
 see http://www.pie.gov.ky Press Room

Vacancies/ career opportunities
 see http://www.pie.gov.ky Jobs &

Recruitment

HR Manual available to view at Portfolio of Internal and

External Affairs, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman

KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Records management file plan or classification scheme:

A class of information refers to the practice of collecting similar types of information in the same location. The Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs has grouped its classes of information into broad categories (or functions) which reflect the Portfolio's core responsibilities and functions. If you are planning to make an FOI request, the following list provides you with an indication of the various types of information that we have:

#### **Functions**

#### **Internal Affairs**

Governance and Coordination Parliamentary questions Policy development and reports Research and development Appointment of Marriage Officers National Security

#### **External Affairs**

Diplomatic Relationships
Deportation matters
Refugee matters
International liaison
Military aircraft and military ships clearances
Strategic policy development
Consular services
Registration as British citizens
British Overseas Territories Citizenship (BOTC)

#### **Departmental Management**

Monitoring and accountability
Coordination of budgets
Advising
Reviews
HR support and audit
Budget coordination
Planning and reporting
Law revisions

## **Committee/Secretariat Support**

Administrative services
Establishment of bodies
Appointment of members
Terms of reference
Proceedings
Minutes
Reports and agendas

#### **Internal Human Resources Management**

Audit

Development and training

Discipline

Grievances and appeals

Health and safety

Performance management

Planning

Policies and procedures

Recruitment Reporting

Staff administration

## **Internal Financial Management**

Accounting
Acquisition
Auditing
Budgeting
Funds administration
Planning and reporting
Policies and procedures
Remuneration

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

HR Manual available to view at Portfolio of Internal and

External Affairs, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Government

Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000,

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** 

Public Servant's Code of Conduct see http://www.pie.gov.ky Freedom of

Information/Document Library

Complaints-handling procedure see http://www.pie.gov.ky About

Us/Complaints

#### **DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Prisons Inspection Board Report see <a href="http://www.pie.gov.ky">http://www.pie.gov.ky</a> Document Library

#### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

■ FOI disclosure log see http://www.pie.gov.ky Freedom of Information/ Disclosure Log

List of Awards and Honours see <a href="http://www.pie.gov.ky Freedom of Information">http://www.pie.gov.ky Freedom of Information</a> / Document Library

#### **OUR SERVICES**

#### **Permit Grants**

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our website at *http://www.pie.gov.ky Forms*. The fee is KYD150.00 and this is payable to The Cayman Islands Government in the form of cash or cheque/draft. \*Fee is subject to change and is non-refundable.

#### **Authorizations**

The Portfolio is responsible for the issuance of the following authorization:

#### 1. Issuance of official clearance for transiting military aircraft

For additional information regarding this authorization, please contact:

The Office of the Deputy Governor, 4th Floor Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Phone: (345) 244-2432 Fax: (345) 946-5453 E-mail: foi.pie@gov.ky Website: www.pie.gov.ky

The Office of the Deputy Governor is responsible for the issuance of the following authorizations:

- 2. Issuance of Governor's Permit to persons declared prohibited immigrants
- 3. Issuance of deportation and exclusion orders
- 4. Issuance of Personnel Clearances for Consular Representatives and Military Personnel

For additional information regarding these authorizations, please contact:

The Office of the Deputy Governor, 4th Floor Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Phone: (345) 244-2432 Fax: (345) 946-5453 E-mail: foi.pie@gov.ky Website: www.pie.gov.ky

Please visit our website at <a href="http://www.pie.gov.ky">http://www.pie.gov.ky</a> About Us, Freedom of Information/ Making a Request and Complaints for further information. In the event that the information that you require is not available on our website, as some areas are under construction or awaiting update by the Computer Services Department, please feel free to contact us at:

Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Phone: (345) 244-3179/ E-mail: foi.pie@gov.ky/ Fax: (345) 946-5453/ Website: www.pie.gov.ky



## **Emergency Communications & Electronic Monitoring**

## **Publication Schemes**

#### Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the **CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT** to make information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below:
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public:
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

## The CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT will generally <u>not publish</u>:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT.
- information which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule:
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example information that:
  - prejudices the security or defence
  - endangers any person's life or safety
  - affects the conduct of an investigation or prosecution
  - reveals a confidential source of information
  - reveals lawful methods or procedures for preventing, detecting, investigation or dealing with criminal activity
  - facilitates the escape of a person from lawful detention
  - jeopardizes the security of prison
  - discloses personal information
  - violates patient confidentiality
  - jeopardizes commercially sensitive information.

Records containing exempt matter may be published in a redacted form, whenever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" feature at <a href="www.911.gov.ky">www.911.gov.ky</a> .If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact the FOI Manager at foi.emc@gov.ky or (345) 949-9008.

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at <a href="mailto:foi.emc@gov.ky">foi.emc@gov.ky</a> to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call the FOI Manager at (345) 949-9008 to request information.

#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

FOI Manager Emergency Communications & Electronic Monitoring PO Box 2391 Grand Cayman KY1-1105 CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

Due to the security requirements of our facility, we typically do not allow the public to attend the Department to view information listed in the publication scheme. Exceptions must be approved by the Emergency Communications Manager.

#### Advice and assistance

Check the Document Library on our website www.911.gov.ky

to ensure that the information has not already been published. If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact the FOI Manager at <a href="mailto:foi.emc@gov.ky">foi.emc@gov.ky</a> or (345) 949-9008.

The CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the **CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT** is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The **CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT** strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disk. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size). Computer disks will be charged at a rate of \$2.00 per disk.

#### Postage costs

The CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the **CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT** has received your payment.

#### 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the **CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT** that is <u>not published under this scheme can be</u> requested through the FOI Manager at <u>foi.emc@gov.ky</u> or (345) 949-9008. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

#### 6. Complaints

The CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Emergency Communications Manager at <a href="mailto:911mgr@gov.ky">911mgr@gov.ky</a> or Assistant Manager at <a href="mailto:911mgr@gov.ky">911asstmgr@gov.ky</a> or (345) 949-9008, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from our website <a href="https://www.911.gov.ky">www.911.gov.ky</a>.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner, if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: (345) 747-5402

Email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of Information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

## **ABOUT US**

## Name of public authority

CAYMAN ISLANDS EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEPARTMENT

#### <u>Ministry</u>

Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs

#### Key staff

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Leslie Vernon, Assistant Manager (Emergency Communications Centre)

911asstmgr@gov.ky
(345) 949 -9008

Vacant, Assistant Manager (Electronic Monitoring Centre) (345) 244-5230

#### Information manager

Leslie Vernon, CIEC&EM Information Manager <u>foi.emc@gov.ky</u> (345) 949 -9008

You may also utilise the Freedom of Information website <a href="www.foi.gov.ky">www.foi.gov.ky</a> to request information.

#### **Organisation and functions**

The Emergency Communications & Electronic Monitoring Department (CIEC&EM) has two primary functions. First the Emergency Communications Centre processes emergency (911) and non-emergency telephone calls and dispatches the appropriate resource to requests for service. These resources include the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service, Cayman Islands Health Services Authority EMS Department, Cayman Islands Fire Service and others. The Department also maintains the Cayman Islands Electronic Monitoring Centre which is responsible for the monitoring of selected offenders and the National CCTV Programme.

#### Vision:

The vision of the Cayman Islands Emergency Communications and Electronic Monitoring Department (CIEC&EM) is to provide the highest level of service to the community which will favorably compare with any public safety dispatch centre and electronic monitoring function anywhere in the world.

#### **Mission Statement:**

The Cayman Islands Emergency Communications & Electronic Monitoring Department has two distinct functions:

- 1. Public Safety Answering Point Cayman Islands Emergency Communications Centre (CIEC911)
  - The mission of the Cayman Islands Emergency Communications Centre (CIEC911) is to provide a 24/7/365 dispatch service and coordination centre to support emergency response in the Cayman Islands; to prioritise requests for assistance and dispatch the appropriate units; to provide life-saving, pre-arrival instructions to callers to lessen the impact of an emergency; and to maintain the safety of first responders.
- 2. Cayman Islands Electronic Monitoring Centre (CIEMC)
  - The mission of the Cayman Islands Electronics Monitoring Centre (CIEMC) is to coordinate the electronic monitoring provisions of the Alternative Sentencing Law and to provide options for the executive pre-release of prisoners and those out on bail based on the Law, Regulations and the organizational needs of the Court, Her Majesty's Prison Service, and the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service. In addition, the CIEMC is responsible for the operational aspects of the National CCTV Programme.

#### **CIEC911:**

The Cayman Islands Emergency Communications Centre is the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for law enforcement, fire, and Emergency Medical Services. Serving all three islands from a facility located in downtown George Town, the Centre's telecommunicators answer all 911 emergency calls, prioritise and dispatch Calls For Service (CFS) for the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service and Cayman Islands Health Services Authority EMS Department. Calls For Service requiring fire assistance are relayed to the Fire Service dispatch ("Fire Control") which then dispatches the appropriate units.

Telecommunicators use guide cards to help ensure that appropriate questions are asked of, and important information obtained from, telephone callers requesting assistance. Guide cards also allow telecommunicators to give basic emergency instructions, helping the caller to assist both themselves and others.

#### CIEMC:

The planned implementation of the Alternative Sentencing Law provides for the electronic monitoring aspect of the House Arrest programme. CIEMC personnel tag "clients", who have been specified by the Courts, with electronic ankle bracelets and then monitor their location and status based on the Court's instructions. By using state-of-the-art equipment including GPS satellite technology and fibre optics, clients are given the opportunity to serve their sentences outside of the confines of a traditional prison. This option will save the Government money as

well as it will free up space in the prisons for those clients who require incarceration in the traditional sense. Other uses of CIEMC include the monitoring and tracking of clients who are on an executive release license from Her Majesty's Prisons, or are on bail by the Courts, RCIPS, or Immigration.

The National CCTV Programme is being implemented in early 2011. Video surveillance as well as evidence gathering will be done by CIEMC personnel using approximately 400 CCTV cameras.

#### **Department Contact Information:**

PO Box 2391 Grand Cayman KY1-1105 CAYMAN ISLANDS (345) 949-9008

Email: 911mgr@gov.ky
Website: www.911.gov.ky

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

Why does the 911 telecommunicator ask "so many questions"?

We gather information to determine the proper response; prepare the unit/s responding for what they may encounter upon arriving at a scene; and provide aid through instructions over the telephone before emergency personnel arrive on scene. We use standardized guidecards from the Association of Public-safety Communications Officials International, Inc. <a href="https://www.apcointl.org">www.apcointl.org</a> to ensure that we are asking relevant and appropriate questions when you call 9-1-1. Our 911 system also meets the standards of the National Emergency Number Association <a href="https://www.nena.org">www.nena.org</a>

What are the local non-emergency numbers for Fire, Police and Ambulance?

Non-Emergency Numbers	Police	Fire	Ambulance/EMS
George Town	949-4222	949-2276	949-8600 George Town Hospital
West Bay	949-3999	949-1188	949-3439 West Bay Clinic
Bodden Town	947-2220		947-2299 Bodden Town Clinic

Non-Emergency Numbers	Police	Fire	Ambulance/EMS
North Side	947-9411	947-3248 Frank Sound	947-9525 North Side Clinic
East End	947-7411		947-7440 East End Clinic
Cayman Brac	948-0440	948-1245	948-2243 Faith Hospital
Little Cayman	948-0100	948-0011	948-0072 Little Cayman Clinic

## What is the number of the local Power Company?

Grand Cayman - Caribbean Utilities Company 945-1CUC (1282) Cayman Brac - Cayman Brac Power and Light 948-1638

## Can you connect my 911 emergency call to another country's emergency services?

No, however we could assist you in determining the proper emergency telephone number for a public safety agency overseas.

#### Can I request an audio recording of my 911 call?

Yes, written requests may be submitted to our Information Manager in accordance with the Freedom of Information Law, 2007. If the request is related to an open investigation by RCIPS, your request will need to be approved by RCIPS. See our Freedom of Information page on the <a href="https://www.911.gov.ky">www.911.gov.ky</a> website for details.

#### How do I get a copy of my police report?

Contact the RCIPS using their non-emergency phone number (see table above) or visit you local police station.

## How do I file a complaint about the way my 911 call was handled?

We strive to provide a professional level of service all the time. Unfortunately, we are human and we make mistakes. You may contact the Emergency Communications Manager or Assistant Manager who will investigate your complaint. See our Complaints page on our website <a href="https://www.911.gov.ky">www.911.gov.ky</a> for details.

#### How do I compliment the telecommunicator who handled my 911 call?

We love hearing about the good things we do for the Cayman community. Please email or call the Emergency Communications Manager or Assistant Manager. See our Contact Us page on our website <a href="https://www.911.gov.ky">www.911.gov.ky</a>.

# Do you provide tours of the 911 Centre?

We accommodate requests for tours on a limited basis. Pre-approval by the Emergency Communications Manager or Assistant Manager is necessary. Please call the department's administration line (949-9008) and speak with the communications supervisor on duty, which will assist with your request.

# How many cruise ships will be coming into port today?

Check the Cayman Islands Port Authority website www.caymanport.com

# Do I have to pay if I call for an ambulance?

Please contact the Health Services Authority at 949-8600; rates may vary depending on circumstances.

# How many police, fire and EMS emergencies does the 911 Centre process each day?

We handle approximately 35 emergencies per day resulting from a total of about 350 incoming telephone calls (both emergencies and non-emergency calls).

# How do I become a 911 Telecommunicator?

Vacancies are advertised on the Government's website www.recruitment.gov.ky

# **HISTORY**

After a close encounter with Hurricane Gilbert in 1988, the Cayman Islands Government recognized the need to establish a new communications system. A new trunked radio system was acquired which interconnected all emergency services. Once completed, the need for an upgraded emergency telephone system was also recognized. According to an article appearing in <u>911 Magazine</u>, at the time the Cayman Islands utilized four separate emergency numbers – 5-0-0 for fire, 5-0-5 for paramedics and both 9-9-9 and 9-1-1 for police. At the urging of the chief fire officer and in accordance with the new North American Numbering Plan, 9-1-1 was chosen as the single emergency number.

The establishment of a new 911 system fell upon the Ministry of Agriculture, Environment, Communications and Works. Minister John McLean contacted APCO – the Association of Public-safety Communications Officials, International -- to ask for a recommendation of someone to bring 911 to a reality. APCO instructor David Mackenzie, a former Deputy Fire Chief with the U.S. Air Force had experience installing 911 systems on military bases in Korea. Mackenzie was hired in April 1995 as 911 Project Manager to install a state-of-the art 911 emergency telecommunications system.

In June 1996, 15 telecommunicators were hired and trained using the APCO curriculum that is still fundamentally in use today. The new 911 staff assisted the Lands and Survey department with street naming and addressing in order that 911 would be a functional system. 911 telecommunicators went door-to-door instructing the public on the new addressing scheme. Juliet Gooding, who was a student in that first class of telecommunicators, was promoted as the first Emergency Communications Manager. The new 911 system and communications centre was inaugurated on 16 September, 1996.

Although original plans called for another Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP also known as an emergency communications centre) in Cayman Brac, those plans were cancelled. The

Cayman Islands Emergency Communications Centre (CIEC911) handles emergencies for all three islands – Grand Cayman, Cayman Brac, and Little Cayman. The Fire Service maintains a secondary PSAP at the Airport which dispatches both domestic and airport fire equipment. 911 calls for fire-related incidents are processed by CIEC911 but the information is relayed to the secondary PSAP by radio or phone.

CIEC911 was located in the George Town Police Station. As Hurricane Ivan approached, the decision was made to evacuate the emergency communications centre from the police station and move it temporarily into the new Cable and Wireless (now LIME©) administrative building. CIEC911 was then re-located to its present home in a multi-story building constructed to withstand Category 5 storm.

In 2008, the new Electronic Monitoring function was created by Government in preparation for the implementation of the Alternative Sentencing Law. Since Electronic Monitoring also required a robust 24/7/365 call centre, it was decided to co-locate the Cayman Islands Electronic Monitoring Centre (CIEMC) with the Emergency Communications Centre. In early 2011, the National CCTV Programme will be implemented that involves the placement of approximately 400 CCTV cameras throughout all three islands. The Electronic Monitoring Centre will monitor both selected offenders and public surveillance CCTV.

Today, the staff consists of 12 telecommunicators, 4 communications supervisors, 3 Electronic Monitoring personnel, 1 administrative assistant, two assistant managers (one dedicated to the post of CCTV Administrator), and a manager.

Upon Juliette Gooding's leaving in 2008, Brent Finster became the second Emergency Communications Manager. Finster has 31 years of experience in public safety and managed two communications centres in the United States before coming to the Cayman Islands.

# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

For information on existing vacancies, see <a href="https://www.recruitment.gov.ky">www.recruitment.gov.ky</a>

Public safety communications positions within the Department:

Telecommunicator Trainee Telecommunicator Communications Supervisor

Electronic Monitoring positions within the Department:

Electronic Monitoring Officer Electronic Monitoring Supervisor

Department administrative/management positions:

Administrative Assistant
Assistant Manager (Emergency Communications Centre)
Assistant Manager (Electronic Monitoring Centre)
Emergency Communications Manager

The career path of a 911 dispatcher (also known as a public safety communications telecommunicator) starts out as a Trainee. After six months of successful classroom training (including certification as a Public Safety Telecommunicator and Emergency Medical

Dispatcher) and On-The-Job Training in the emergency communications centre, the Trainee is promoted to a post as a qualified Telecommunicator. Those persons who desire to move to a supervisory level after 3 years of being a telecommunicator may apply for a vacant Communications Supervisor post. The Communications Supervisor not only does the day-to-day job of processing Calls For Service but they are also responsible for their shift of Telecommunicators and Trainees. There are also opportunities for further professional development thru advanced training, becoming a certified instructor, or obtaining a degree in public safety communications/emergency management.

Trainee positions within the Department are typically advertised a couple of times each year and directed towards suitable Caymanians based on the results of a computer test and interview. There are no educational or experience requirements to become a Trainee as all training is done in-house.

The Electronic Monitoring function is new. Electronic Monitoring Officers are selected because of their background and interest in the criminal justice system. Electronic Monitoring Supervisors not only do the job of Electronic Monitoring as the Officers do, but they also supervise the unit's activities including staffing and the coordination of procurement and troubleshooting of electronic monitoring devices and CCTV.

As emergencies can occur at any time, department personnel must work shifts which include nights, weekends and public holidays.

Individuals who desire positions as administrators and management must possess the educational and experience necessary to perform their function. Managers within the department typically have at least 10 years or longer within the public safety communications field.

# STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

This category applies to the governance and management of the department.

Governance

o Organisational Chart see.www.911.gov.ky

Management

Statistics - Annual
 Statistics - Monthly
 Calls For Service Log
 see <a href="www.911.gov.ky">www.911.gov.ky</a>
 see <a href="www.911.gov.ky">www.911.gov.ky</a>

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

This category applies to internal support functions within the Department, relating to finance, personnel and business administration.

• Financial management

Approved Budget FY10/11 see <a href="https://www.911.gov.ky">www.911.gov.ky</a>
 Quarterly Financial Reports see <a href="https://www.911.gov.ky">www.911.gov.ky</a>

- Administration
  - Press Releases
  - Job Vacancies
  - Staff Pav
  - Records Management

see <u>www.911.gov.ky</u> see <u>www.recruitment.gov.ky</u> see <u>www.911.gov.ky</u> see www.911.gov.ky

#### POLICIES & PROCEDURES

This category applies to written protocols for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services.

Due to the public safety operational nature of the Department, most of the Standard Operating Guidelines (SOGs) are exempt from disclosure per the FOI Law. In addition, some SOGs are probably not of the public interest thus not published, but may be made available upon request.

• The following Department SOGs are not exempt from FOI and may be of the public interest:

0	101 CIEC911 Mission, Vision, Values and Goals	see www.911.gov.ky
0	251 Internal Complaints Process	see www.911.gov.ky
0	252 Freedom of Information Process	see www.911.gov.ky
0	304 Anonymity of Callers	see www.911.gov.ky
0	701 News Media	see www.911.gov.ky
0	801 Calls For Service Priorities	see www.911.gov.ky
0	806 Alarms	see www.911.gov.ky
0	810 Lock-Ins & Elevator Rescues	see www.911.gov.ky
0	1271 Wireless 911 Calls	see www.911.gov.ky
0	2000 CIEMC Vision, Mission, Goals, Strategies	see www.911.gov.ky

- SOGs that are not exempt from FOI and not published because they have limited or no public interest may be available
  - SOGs not published
     submit FOI request

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

This category applies to information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decision-making processes.

None at this time.

#### LISTS & REGISTERS

This category applies to information held in registers required by law and other lists or registers relating to the functions of the authority

- The following lists and registers are maintained:
  - 911 Master Street Address Guide (MSAG)
  - o FOI Disclosure Log

see www.911.gov.ky

see www.911.gov.kv

# **OUR SERVICES**

This category provides detailed information about the services offered and activities carried out by the authority, to fulfill its high-level functions and responsibilities.

• The following information is available:

0	Form – "Cayman 911 Cellular Update Form"	see www.911.gov.ky
0	Form – "Non-Disclosure Agreement – Tour"	see www.911.gov.ky
0	Form – "Non-Disclosure Agreement – Visitor"	see www.911.gov.ky
0	Leaflet – "Making 911 Work For You"	see www.911.gov.ky
0	PowerPoint – "CIEC911 Presentation – Adult"	see www.911.gov.ky
0	PowerPoint – "CIEC911 Presentation – Children"	see www.911.gov.ky



# **Hazard Management Cayman Islands**

# **Publication Schemes**

# Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits Hazard Management Cayman Islands (HMCI) to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

Hazard Management Cayman Islands will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- Regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

HMCI will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form:
- information that is not held by HMCI, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm HMCI (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at http://www.caymanprepared.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1143,1482119&\_dad=portal&\_sch ema=PORTAL; If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact HMCI Information Manager Simon Boxall, at telephone number 244-3145 or 526-2027 or by email at Simon.Boxall@Gov.ky:

#### **Email**

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at Simon.Boxall@Gov.ky; or foi.nem@gov.ky; to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call 244-3145 or 526-2027 to request information.

## Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Simon Boxall Hazard Management Cayman Islands P.O. Box 10345 Grand Cayman, KY1-1003 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

# Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Simon Boxall (Information Manager) or Shiann Powery (Records Officer) at 945-4624.

HMCI will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where HMCI is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

HMCI is working to put as much information as possible on our website but there is a huge amount of material and it takes time to publish. It is not practical or appropriate to publish certain documents on the website, so HMCI will endeavour to make certain information available either in a hard copy (paper) or in digital format. The staff at HMCI also recognise that some people would rather not access the information digitally or do not have access to a computer.

In rare circumstances a document may (only) be available for viewing "in-person" at HMCI's office in George Town. In such cases, appointments should be arranged first to view information in HMCI conference room. HMCI is open from 8.30am to 5pm, however it is unlikely that a request to view a document will fulfilled during a "walk-in" visit. To set up an appointment you can telephone 244-3145, email Simon.Boxall@Gov.ky; or make your request for an appointment at the HMCI office (located at the Corporate Centre, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 27 Hospital Way).

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. HMCI strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications which HMCI offers for sale. This includes various flood maps / storm surge scenarios. These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service.

# Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

#### Postage costs

HMCI will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when HMCI has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by HMCI that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing to Simon.Boxall@Gov.ky; your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

# 6. Complaints

HMCI aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Simon Boxall or Shiann Powery at 945-4624 and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

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- Strategic Management
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# **ABOUT US**

#### Name of public authority

Hazard Management Cayman Islands

#### Ministry

Portfolio of Internal & External Affairs

# **Principle officer**

Mr. McCleary Frederick (Director) Telephone 945-4624 Email: McCleary.Frederick@Gov.ky;

# **Chief Officer Internal and External Affairs**

Franz Manderson

#### Information manager

Simon Boxall

Telephone: 244-3145 or 526-2027. Email: Simon.Boxall@Gov.ky;

Freedom of Information website www.foi.gov.ky

# **Organisation and functions**

Hazard Management Cayman Islands has overall responsibility for the national hazard management programme, including preparedness, response, mitigation and recovery. The agency is permanently staffed and focuses on all hazards (man-made and natural) with the ability to coordinate and mange incidents through its operational mechanisms at any given time. HMCI is responsible for the National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOC) which is located at the Fire Station in George Town. The NEOC is activated to direct and coordinate the response to national threats.

HMCI also has responsibility for maintaining the National Hazard Management plans for threats such as hurricanes and earthquakes.

Hazard Management Cayman Islands P.O. Box 10345 Grand Cayman KY1 -1003 Cayman Islands Telephone number (345) 945 4624 Fax number (345) 946 5020 Email address Simon.Boxall@Gov.ky; Website address www.caymanprepared@gov.ky;

Location and hours	Matters handled
Hazard Management Cayman Islands 27 Hospital Road 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Corporate Centre	All Hazards – Natural and man-made. (Including Hurricane, Earthquake, Hazardous Material, Flood, Fire etc)
Regular hours of Operation: Monday to Friday 8.30 am to 5pm	
National Emergency Operation Centre Fire Station George Town	
Duty Officer on call 24 hours	

#### **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
National Hazard Management Council	At least quarterly and more frequently when needed or during a threat, hazard or impact.	Deliberations of the Council may deal with national security issues and may not be accessible or available for viewing

	(Closed to the Public)	
National Hazard Management Executive	Meet at least twice annually to review progress of national disaster risk management programme and provide policy guidance.	Deliberations of the Executive may deal with national security issues and may not be accessible or available for viewing
	(Closed to the Public)	

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Cayman's disaster management framework requires the involvement of all sectors of society. Activities are coordinated at the national level and community level.

Our Mission is - Building the disaster resiliency of the Cayman Islands with full community participation in the national approach to hazard management through prevention and mitigation thereby ensuring the preservation of human life, property and economic recovery.

- Advise on national policies related to risk management
- Be responsible for the development of the national risk management strategic framework and the national risk management programme.
- Ensure development of multi-hazard plans for all sectors in the country
- Ensure achievement and maintenance of the highest level of national preparedness possible within identified constraints
- Develop and implement a national public awareness programme aimed at all sectors of the country
- Provide advice for national planning and development programmes
- Inform the national planning and development process through provision of data and other technical inputs
- Establish and maintain a fully equipped and functioning National Emergency Operations
- Coordinate response to national threats and events
- Engage all sectors and ensure their inputs to the national risk management programme
- Liaise with the voluntary sector and formalise partnerships
- Guide the recovery process to ensure increased resilience is incorporated into recovery
- Develop and Coordinate Simulation Exercises
- Provide Guidance on Contingency Planning
- Develop, Coordinate and Implement Community Disaster Risk management Programmes
- Host and facilitate Contingency Planning Seminars
- Coordinate and Provide Training relevant for Disaster Risk Management

The main elements of the strategic framework are

- Policy and governance
- Risk assessment
- Risk mapping
- Mitigation
- Preparedness
- Public awareness and education

- Response
- Relief
- Recovery and rehabilitation
- Post impact evaluation

# NATIONAL DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

# **Key Entities with Roles during Normal Times & Operations**

#### NATIONAL HAZARD MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE

Governor (Chairman)

Premier

Leader of the Opposition

**Deputy Governor** 

Attorney General

Financial Secretary

Chief Officer, Portfolio of Internal & External Affairs

**Cabinet Secretary** 

Director, Hazard Management Cayman Islands

Commissioner, RCIP

District Commissioner, Cayman Brac & Little Cayman

Other members appointed by the Governor

# **Normal Times**

Meet at least twice annually to review progress of national disaster risk management programme and provide policy guidance.

# **During Operations**

Make decisions related to national policy, provide strategic and policy guidance for regulatory, financial, economic and foreign affairs.

#### NATIONAL HAZARD MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Deputy Governor (Chairman)

Chief Officer Internal External Affairs (Deputy Chairman)

**Cabinet Secretary** 

**Deputy Financial Secretary** 

Chief Officers / Permanent Secretaries

All Heads of Departments

Red Cross Director

**ADRA** 

Chamber of Commerce

Director Hazard Management Cayman Islands

Sub Committee Chairpersons

# **Normal Times**

Develop hazard and emergency management policies

- Discuss economic, political, legal and social implications of both the threat and the response to determine the best strategies for action
- Provide guidance for the NHMC Executive
- Review policy documents
- Review and approve operational plans

# **During Operations**

- Responsible for ministry/portfolio EOCs
- Responsible for Continuity of Operations for portfolio/ministry
- Provide support for NEOC

# Frequently asked questions

#### What is HMCI?

HMCI is the acronym for Hazard Management Cayman Islands.

# Is the agency operational only during the hurricane season?

No, the agency is an all hazard agency and works through out the year. Hurricanes are only one of the hazards that the agency plans, prepares and response to.

# Is HMCI a part of the Meteorological Office?

No, the National Weather Service is an agency that works closely with HMCI and they are also a member of the National Hazard Management Council.

# Does the National Hurricane Committee still exist?

No, the National Hurricane Committee has been integrated into the National Hazard Management Council.

### Is the Red Cross a part of the agency?

No, the Red Cross is not a part of HMCI. However they are members of the National Hazard Management Council and work very closely with HMCI on community programmes.

#### Is HMCI in charge of Shelters?

Yes, HMCI is in charge of shelters but work with a number of government agency to ensure that the shelters are prepared, functional a managed for and during an event. These agencies are the department of Children and Family Services, Public Works Department and the Lands and Survey department.

# Does HMCI have an office in the Sister Islands?

No, HMCI does not have an office or officers in the Sister Islands. Disaster Risk Management activities are carried out by the District Administration Office with the guidance of HMCI.

# What type of relief items does HMCl provide for the public?

HMCI does not directly provide relief items to the public. This is carried out by other agencies such as the Red Cross, Department of Children and Family Services and other Civic groups.

# When was the last major earthquake that impacted the Cayman Islands?

The last major earthquake that impacted the Cayman Islands was December 14, 2004. It occurred 20 miles south of George Town, Grand Cayman with a magnitude of 6.8 on the Richter scale.

#### **ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE**

Managing the Department's inner functions, it resources and assets efficiently. This includes the management of human resources, monetary resources, equipment, information and relationships with the public, private organization, volunteers and other government entities.

#### Administration

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- o Dismissing Staff for Gross Misconduct Not Involving Criminal Activity
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- Retiring Staff to Improve the Organisation
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- Leave Management and Recording
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# **OUR SERVICES**

Because a disaster can strike at anytime to anywhere, Hazard Management Cayman Islands supports the citizens of the Cayman Islands and the first responders to any emergency to ensure that the Islands build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

These hazards can take the form of;

- a hurricane
- an earthquake
- a flood
- a tsunami
- a fire
- hazardous materials spill
- an act of terrorism.
- other man caused events



# **Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly**

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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#### The CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY will:

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- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
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# 2. Information that may be withheld

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- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

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# Phone Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call the FOI Manager at (345) 949 4236 to request information.

# <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

FOI Manager Legislative Assembly P.O.Box 890 Grand Cayman KY1-1103 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number and e-mail address so that we can contact you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See *section 4: Fees and charges* for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

Our website www.cila.ky may be accessed as a first source of information.

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The **CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY** will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

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# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The **CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY** strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications which the CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY offers for sale. This includes: Hansard of House sittings. These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service. Cayman Islands laws and regulations are also sold at the Legislative Assembly at cost.

# Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The **CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY** will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the **CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY** has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the **CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY** that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing to the FOI Manager at foi.lgl@gov.ky or P.O.Box 890, Grand Cayman, KY1-1103, Cayman Islands. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

# 6. Complaints

The **CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY** aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Information Manager Zena Merren-Chin at foi.lgl@gov.ky or the Information Manager Designate Kim Evans at john.evans@gov.ky and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from www.cila.ky. You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

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#### **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

#### **Ministry**

Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs

# Principle staff

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Sharon Smith – Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Assembly Sharon.smith@gov.ky (345) 949-4236

Nana Bothwell – Assistant Clerk of the Legislative Assembly Nana.bothwell@gov.ky (345) 949-4236

Kim Evans – Sergeant at Arms John.evans@gov.ky (345) 949-4236

# Information Manager - Zena Merren-Chin

You may also utilise the Freedom of Information website www.foi.gov.ky to request information.

# **Organisation and functions**

The Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly is a parliamentary body made up of 15 elected members, 2 official members and the Speaker. Its purpose is to make laws for peace, order and good government of the Cayman Islands. The Legislative Assembly is governed by The Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009 The practices and procedures of the Legislative Assembly are governed by the Legislative Assembly Standing Orders (2006 Revision)

The Legislative Assembly, also referred to as the "House" is required to meet at least four times for the year. Each meeting may consist of several days of sittings over a period of weeks. At this time Government Motions, Private Members Motions, Papers and Private Members Motions, Reports, Questions to Ministers and Public and Private Bills are dealt with during each meeting. The Government's annual budget is also presented to the members and debated and passed in the Legislative Assembly. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth's Throne Speech is delivered each year by HE The Governor at the LA.

The Legislative Assembly Building is located in Central George Town and houses the Legislative Department which provides overall management of the LA. The Clerk of the LA is responsible for the custody of the votes, records, bills and other documents laid before the House as well as the production of official reports (Hansards) of all speeches made in the House or Committees.

# **Department Contact Information:**

Mailing address: P.O Box 890, Grand Cayman KY1-1103, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone number: (345) 949-4236

Fax number: (345) 949-9514 Email address: foi.lgl@gov.ky Website address: www.cila.ky

#### **Committees**

Under the Legislative Assembly Standing Orders select and standing committees may be appointed by the House to conduct the business relating to the House.

## **Finance Committee:**

Consists of all members of the House and considers the estimates of expenditures, financial bills and other business referred to it by the House or the Governor. Committee meets once per year for as many days as needed to approve the Government's Annual Budget. It will convene at other times to consider requests for supplementary budgets. Meetings are open to the Public and are broadcasted on Radio Cayman and verbatim transcripts published on our website.

#### **Register of Interest Committee:**

Considers the matters relating to the Register of Interest referred to it by the Registrar of Interest and consists of nine members of the House.

#### **Public Accounts Committee:**

Considers reports of the Auditor General and consists of five members of the House. The meetings may be held in public or in camera at such times as called by the Chairman. Meetings where witnesses are called are usually open to the public.

# **Standing Orders Committee:**

The committee is chaired by the Deputy Governor and consists of all the members of the House. It considers what changes to the Standing Orders are necessary and proposed amendments. Meetings are held in camera.

# **Standing Business Committee:**

The committee meets before each sitting of the House to approve the business for the day. The Committee consists of five members and all meetings are held in camera.

# **Standing House Committee:**

The committee is charged with the duty of making recommendations to the House in respect of matters affecting the working conditions, comfort and facilities at the LA for members during meetings of the House. House Committee consists of five members who meet in camera.

There are also a select committee to oversee the performance of the Office of the Complaints Commissioner and a committee of the whole House to oversee the performance of the Office of the Information Commissioner as well as a select committee to consider and report to the House on any matter affecting the privileges of the House.

# Frequently asked questions

# Can I observe House sittings?

Yes. The public is allowed to sit in the public Gallery and observe all House sittings including Finance Committee and Public Accounts Committee meetings.

# What other access do I have to the House sittings?

The House sittings are broadcasted on Radio Cayman.

#### Can I obtain a copy of what was said in the House?

Yes. Verbatim transcripts (Hansards) are posted on the Legislative Assembly Website www.cila.ky and a copy of the transcript can also be purchased at the Legislative Assembly for \$10 per day.

# Can I obtain a copy of the documents presented to the House?

Yes. All documents, including reports, papers and bills are available to the public once they have been dealt with by the House.

Also see FAO on our website www.cila.ky

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

#### Governance

The following legislation and regulations inform and direct the functions and activities of the Portfolio:

- The Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009
- Legislative Assembly Standing Orders (2006 Revision)
- The Register of Interests Law, 1996
- Legislative Assembly (Immunities, Powers and Privileges) Law (1999 Revision)
- Parliamentary Pensions Law, 2004
- The Public Management & Finance Law (2005 Revision) & Financial Regulations (2007 Revision)
- The Public Service Management Law, 2005 & Regulations, 2006
- Public Service Pensions Law (2004 Revision)

You can access these documents on the Government website at www.gov.ky *Gazettes*.

# **Corporate management**

- Annual reports can be accessed on http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1591697&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL]
- Plans for hazard management and disaster recovery can be obtained upon request to the FOI Manager at (345) 949 4236

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

#### Financial management

The following relate to the administration of the authority's monetary resources:

- Annual Budget 2009/2010
- see www.cila.ky The Budget
- Financial statements/ half-yearly / quarterly reports these are contained in the Annual Budget Statement, which can be accessed on our website as listed above
- Sources of revenue; Investments; Capital programme found in the Annual Budget Statement, which can be accessed on our website as listed above
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures these are included in the Annual Report see www.gov.ky and also in the Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) & Financial Regulations (2007 Revision) see www.gov.ky Gazettes.
- Ministerial expenditure available in the Annual Report see www.cila.ky
- List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; Recently-awarded contracts can be obtained at the Legislative Assembly upon written request.
- The Budget may also be located on the following link: http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1593653&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL ]

#### Administration

The following documents pertain to the other administrative functions carried out within the authority:

Vacancies/ career opportunities

see www.gov.ky job opportunities

•	Press release	available at the Legislative Assembly
• P(	HR Manual  DLICIES & PROCEDURES	available at the Legislative Assembly
•	HR Manual	available at the Legislative Assembly
•	Public Servant's Code of Conduct	available at the Legislative Assembly
•	Complaints-handling procedure	available at the Legislative Assembly

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#### LISTS & REGISTERS

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#### **OUR SERVICES**

The Legislative Department is responsible for the sale of all laws of the Cayman Islands. Laws are sold from 9:00am to 3:00pm Monday to Friday each week.

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**Private Member Motions** 

**Government Motions** 

**Governmental Annual Reports** 

Private Member Bills

Government Bills

Regulations

Papers and Petitions

Committees' Reports

**Annual Budget** 

Strategic Policy Statements

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Complaints Commission's Reports

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Please visit our website at *www.cila.ky* for further information. In the event that the information that you require is not available on our website, as some areas are under construction, please feel free to contact us at:

Legislative Assembly 33 Fort Street P.O.Box 890 George Town Grand Cayman KY1-1103

Phone: (345) 949 4236 Fax: (345) 949 9514 E-mail: foi.lgl@gov.ky Website: www.cila.ky

We will be happy to assist you with your request.



# **Department Of Immigration**

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Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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- information affecting security, defence or international relations
- information that prejudice to effective conduct of public affairs
- information relating to personal information

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#### Phone

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#### <u>Post</u>

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Petula Twinn Information Manager Department of Immigration P.O. Box 1098 Grand Cayman, KY1-1102

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# Fees associated with a Request for Information

There is no application fee and no fee for going to a public authority and looking at a record requested by FOI. However, a requester may be required to pay copying or change of format fees. Details concerning costs and payment are contained in the FOI Regulations which are available on the FOI Unit website.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

If you want to request information from the Department of Immigration, you should initially look at the document library and the disclosure log to see if the information you seek has already been published.

Information held by the Department that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested by submitting a Freedom of Information ('FOI') request.

If you wish to make a request for information then you should contact the Information Manager or submit a request on-line at the FOI Unit website. Please see "Section 3 – Methods of Access" for further information.

Requests must be in writing (letter, email or facsimile) and must include your name and and address (either postal or e-mail). Please be as specific as possible about the information you

would like, as this will help us to respond promptly. Where possible, please include a contact telephone number so we can call to discuss your request if necessary.

We will respond to your request promptly. The Law requires public authorities to respond within 30 calendar days, allowing an extension of an additional 30 calendar days if needed. We will always acknowledge receipt of FOI requests made to the Information Manager and we will let you know if we need to extend the deadline. For detailed advice on what sorts of information are exempt please see the FOI Unit website.

# 6. Complaints

The Department aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

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For information about our internal complaints procedures please visit our website at www.immigration.gov.ky

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman Cayman Islands, KY1-1108 Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

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# **ABOUT US**

#### <u>Ministry</u>

The Department of Immigration operates under the Portfolio of Internal & External Affairs

# **Deputy Chief Secretary//Chief Officer**

Franz Manderson, Cert. Hon., JP

# Location

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, Elgin Avenue, George Town, Grand Cayman

# **Mailing Address**

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www.pie.gov.ky

# Name of public authority

Immigration Department

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Freedom of Information website: www.foi.gov.ky

# **Organisation and functions**

The Immigration Department manages the growth of the country's population by regulating the flow of immigrants into the islands and carries out administrative processing of applications for persons seeking permanent residence, Caymanian status, the right to work in Cayman, or asylum.

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P.O. Box 1098
Grand Cayman
KY1-1102

Telephone number: (345) 949-8344

Fax number: (345) 949-8344

Email address: imweb@gov.ky

Website: www.immigration.gov.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
Main Office	All Grand Cayman Immigration matters, e.g.
#94A Elgin Avenue	submission of applications, accounts, operations,
George Town	administration.
Grand Cayman	
8:30 am – 4:00 pm (Mon – Fri)	
Cayman Brac/Little Cayman Office	All Cayman Brac/Little Cayman Immigration
District Administration Building,	matters.
Stake Bay	
Cayman Brac	
8:30 am – 4:00 pm	
Tel: (345) 948-2222	
Fax: (345) 948-2337	
Cayman Center Location	Work Permit, Cayman Status & Permanent
Cayman Center #14	Residence, Business Staffing, Temporary Work
(Across from the Airport Post Office)	Permits, Appeals, Freedom of Information.
Grand Cayman	
8:30am – 4:00pm (Mon – Fri)	
Cayman Islands Visa Office	Visa applications
#94 Elgin Avenue	
George Town	
8:30 am – 4:00 pm (Mon – Fri)	
Tel: (345) 949-8344	
Cayman Islands Visa Office – Jamaica	Visa Applications

Suite 2, Winchester Business Park	
8:30am – 4:00 pm	
Tel: (876) 906-5336 or (876) 906-7866	
Fax: (876) 929-1356	
Email: caymanvisa2@cwjamaica.com	
Cayman Islands Visa Office – Honduras	Visa Applications
Edificio Carib Local No. 203	
La Ceiba Atlantida,	
Honduras	
8:30am – 2:30pm	
Tel: (504) 440-1015	
Fax: (504) 443-0053	
Email: caymanvisa@tevisat.net	

# Boards and Committees Copies of Board minutes may be requested by submitting a Freedom of Information request (See Section 5)

Name		Meetings
Cayman Status & Permane (CS&PR)	nt Residency Board	The CS&PR Board meets twice weekly at the Department of Immigration. The
Mr Waide DaCosta	Chairman	meetings are not open to the public.
Mr Adrian Briggs	Deputy Chairman	
Mrs Junilee Brooks	Member [West Bay]	
Mr Edlin Myles	Member [George Town]	
Mrs Sybil Jackson, Cert Hon, JP	Member [Sister Islands]	
Mr Churchill Solomon	Member [Bodden Town]	
Mr Trent McCoy	Member [North Side]	
Mr John McLean, Jr	Member [East End]	
Mr Christopher Goddard	Member	
Ms Judyann Frederick	Member	
Ms Rachel Ann Ebanks	Member	
The Chief Immigration Officer or Deputy	Member (non- voting)	
The Director of Boards & Work Permits or Designate	Member (non- voting)	

Secretaries of the CSPR Board	Member (non voting)	
Assistant Secretary of the CSPR Board	Member (non voting)	
Work Permit Board		The Work Permit Board meets twice a week at the Department of Immigration. The meetings are not open to the public.
Mrs. Sherri Bodden-Cohen, MBE	Chairman	
Ms Sara Dean Barnett	Deputy Chairman	
Mr Jacob Wilroy Williams	Member [West Bay]	
Ms Lavern Daykin	Member [George Town]	
Mrs Sybil Jackson, Cert. Hon, JP	Member [Sister Islands]	
Mr Gary Berry	Member [Bodden Town]	
Mrs Alex Johnson	Member [North Side]	
Mr Gary Rutty	Member [East End]	
Mr. John Foster	Member	
Ms Irma Arch	Member	
Mr Tyrone Welds	Member	
The Chief Immigration Officer or Deputy	Member (non- voting)	
The Director of Boards & Work Permits or Designate	Member (non- voting)	
The Director of Employment Relations Designate	Member (non voting)	
Secretary of the Work Permit Board	Member (non voting)	
Assistant Secretary of the Work Permit Board	Member (non voting)	
Immigration Board for Cayı	man Brac & Little	

# Cayman

Ms. Sybil L. Jackson, Cert. Hon, JP

Chairman

Mr. Temple Tatum

Deputy Chairman

Mr. Burnard Tibbetts, MBE

Member

Mr. Holroy Walton

Member

Mr. Franklin Bodden

Member

The Assistant Chief Immigration Officer

Member (non-voting)

Ms. Sherry Scott

Secretary (non-voting)

# **Business Staffing Plan Board (BSP)**

Mr. Danny Scott

Chairman

Mr. Winston Connolly

Deputy Chairman

Ms. Tammy Seymour

Member

Mr. David Gordon

Member

Mr. Christopher Saunders

Member

Ms. Donnette Goddard

Member

Mr. Ken Thompson

Member

Mrs. Jacqui Terry

Member

Mrs. Ellen Lazzari

Member

Mrs. Cora Grant-James

Member

Dr. Joseph Marzuca

Member

The Director of Employment Relations

or Deputy

Member (non-voting)

The Chief Education Officer or Deputy

Member (non-voting)

The Chief Immigration Officer or Deputy

Member (non-voting)

The Director of Boards & Work Permits

The Business Staffing Plan Board meets once a week at the Department of Immigration. The meetings are not open to the public.

or Designate	
Member (non-voting)	
Secretary of the Business Staffing Plan Board	
Member (non-voting)	
Assistant Secretary of the Business Staffing	
Board	
Member (non-voting)	

# Frequently asked questions:

Please visit our website at www.immigration.gov.ky for a list of frequently asked questions.

#### **Student Visa FAQ's**

May I get a part-time job to supplement my income whilst I am studying in the Cayman Islands on a Student Visa?

The holder of a student visa may not engage in gainful occupation in the Islands other than unpaid student work undertaken in connection with his course of study.

• May I be accompanied by my spouse and/or children whilst I am studying in the Cayman Islands on a Student Visa?

Yes, both your spouse and your children can accompany you to the Islands during your course of study. However, you will have to prove that you can finically support them.

Am I required to obtain health insurance to cover the period of my study in the Islands?

Health insurance is not required by Law, however we suggest that you ensure that you have adequate health insurance.

Do I have to apply for the student visa or will my school do it on my behalf?

You can apply directly to the Immigration Department once you have been accepted in a local educational institution.

• May I travel to the Cayman Islands before the student visa application has been approved?

You should remain outside the islands until your student visa is approved.

- If I discontinue my study for whatever reason, may I then apply for a work permit?

  You may apply for a work permit after discontinuing your student visa, however we cannot guarantee that the work permit will be granted or the student visa reinstated.
- If I am a national of a country that requires a visa to visit the Cayman Islands must I also obtain a visitors visa before travelling?

Once your student visa has been approved, you do not require a visitors visa. However, you must travel with evidence of the approval of your student visa.

## Permanent Residence FAQ's

• How long do I have to live in the Islands to qualify for permanent residence?

You have to be legally and ordinarily resident for at least 8 years.

# What is legal and ordinary residence?

Legal and ordinary residence is defined as:-

A persons uninterrupted voluntary physical presence in the Islands for a period of time without legal impediment (other than a tourist visitor or transit passenger) during which period the Islands are regarded as his normal place of abode for the time being, save that

- a. absences abroad of six consecutive months' duration or less for, inter alia, purposes of education, health, vacation or business during such period shall count as residence in the Islands &
- b. absences abroad of more than six consecutive months but less than one year shall raise the presumption that there has been a break in residence; and
- c. absences abroad for twelve consecutive months or more shall constitute a break in residence.

# What criteria will be used to determine my application for Permanent Residence?

The Caymanian Status and Permanent Residency Board will score your application in accordance with the Points System set out in the Immigration Regulations.

# According to the Immigration Law I can only be granted work permits for seven years. How do I get to year eight?

Unless you were legally and ordinarily resident in the Islands for 5 years or more on the 1 January 2004, you will have to be designated as a Key Employee in order to reach year eight.

# • After reaching year eight, when must I submit my application for permanent residence?

After having been legally and ordinarily resident in the Islands for eight years you may apply for permanent residence at any time so long as you continue to be legally and ordinarily resident here or, if you have ceased to reside here, within ninety days of leaving.

## What is my final work permit?

My **final work permit** means a work permit which at the time of its grant or renewal is stated to be the final work permit for a worker in accordance with his term limit or, where not so expressly stated, is the last work permit that can be granted or renewed in respect of a worker as a consequence thereof.

# I have submitted my application for permanent residence and my work permit has now expired. What must I do to keep working.

Your employer must pay all fees that would have been paid had you continued to be employed on a work permit. Once these fees have been paid, your passport will be endorsed to reflect that you are working by operation of law. This endorsement will be valid for one year or until the determination of your application for permanent residence.

# What can I do if my application for Permanent Residence is refused?

You may submit an appeal against the decision to the Immigration Appeals Tribunal. If you do, you may continue to work pending the outcome of the appeal. If the appeal is unsuccessful you have the right to a final non-renewable one-year work permit with any employer. Alternatively, if you do not submit an appeal to the Immigration Appeals

Tribunal you are still entitled to the final non-renewable one-year work permit. In either case, upon the expiry of this final work permit you will be required to leave the Islands for at least one year before you can hold any further work permits.

# I have appealed against the refusal of my permanent residence application to the Immigration Appeals Tribunal. What should I do next?

You should bring the receipt from the Immigration Appeals Tribunal to the Immigration Department and you will be allowed to continue *Working by Operation of Law* until your appeal is determined. Your employer may have to pay additional fees if your appeal is not heard within the period stamped in your passport.

# While working by operation of law can I change employers?

Yes, but you must notify the Immigration Department in writing and your new employer will have to pay new *Working by Operation of Law* fees.

#### Term Limits – FAQ's

#### What are Term Limits?

A persons' term limit is the maximum period for which work permits may be granted or renewed in their favour.

# What is the maximum period a holder of a work permit may remain in the Islands?

The Term Limit of a person who is a Key Employee is nine years and the Term Limit for a person who is not a Key Employee is seven years.

# How can I determine when my Term Limit started?

Your Term Limit starts on the date on which you first entered the Islands, if you first entered the Islands as a work permit holder; or the date on which your work permit was granted, if you first entered the Islands as a tourist visitor.

If I am a dependant of a government employee or a work permit holder and am granted a work permit, when will my Term Limit start?

Your Term Limit will start from the date you were first in the Islands as an approved dependant.

I have been working for the Cayman Islands Government and have never held a work permit before. If I am granted a work permit to work in the private sector, when will my Term Limit start?

Your Term Limit will commence on the date your work permit is approved.

I have been married to a Caymanian and recently divorced. When will my Term Limit start?

Your Term Limit will commence on the date your work permit is granted after your divorce.

What happens if I leave the Cayman Islands before my Term Limit expires? Can I come back and work at some later date?

If you leave the Islands for less than one year prior to the expiration of your Term Limit, upon your return to the Islands you may be granted a new work permit for the unexpired period of your Term Limit. But if you leave the Islands for more than one year, your Term

Limit will start over upon your return and you may stay another seven years (or nine if you are made a key employee).

# How long do I have to leave the Island for my Term Limit to start over?

Upon the expiry of your Term Limit you must leave the Islands for at least one year before you may be granted any further work permits. For example, if your work permit expires on 12 Jan 2007 and you leave the Islands on the 13 Jan 2007, you will be eligible for a new work permit on the 14 Jan 2008.

# Will return visits to the Islands affect the period of time I must be absent from the Islands in order to have my Term Limit restarted.

No. You are free to return to the Islands as a visitor at any time.

# Work Permits - Rights and Obligations of an Employer - FAQ's

# Who can I employ without a work permit?

Caymanians, holders of a Residency & Employment Rights Certificate, persons with Refugee status and persons granted permanent residence with the right to work.

# Can I employ other persons for short periods without a work permit?

A person arriving in the Islands for the purpose of engaging in any of the activities listed below for a period not exceeding seven days is not required to obtain a work permit provided that only such activities are engaged in and no other activity is carried out that would otherwise require a work permit.

#### The activities referred to are-

- a. attendance at meetings or trade fairs and making purchases from Cayman Islands businesses;
- b. attendance at conferences and seminars as an ordinary participant;
- c. the receiving of training, techniques and work practices employed in the Islands, where that training is confined to observation, familiarisation, and classroom instruction and only if the person is employed by a company or organisation carrying on business outside the Islands;
- d. being a representative of an overseas educational institution, to promote, or to interview applicants for places at, such institution;
- e. being a guest speaker at a conference or seminar where that event is a single or occasional event and not part of a commercial venture;
- f. the organising or supervising of a conference or seminar for up to seven days duration where it is a single or occasional event
  - i. involving a specialist subject
  - ii. attracting a wide audience; and
  - iii. open to participants from outside the Islands;
- g. the participation in sporting events, or trials or auditions in connection with such events:
- h. the covering of a specific news assignment as a newspaper, magazine, radio or television journalist representing a recognised news organisation;
- i. working for short periods on behalf of or for a non-profit or cultural organisation based in the Islands;
- j. the giving of professional or expert testimony in court proceedings;
- k. working as a non-executive director of a business being carried on in the Islands where the person is not involved in the day to day operations in the Islands but is visiting in his capacity as a director only.

I intend to employ a non- Caymanian to work for short periods over the next 12 months. What type of work permit should I apply for?

Any person carrying on business in or from within the Islands who regularly throughout each year employs persons not legally and ordinarily resident in the Islands on a temporary basis, may make a single application in each calendar year to the Chief Immigration Officer for the issue, in each calendar year, of one or more Business Visitors Permits. The application must state the maximum number of times that the business visitor will be visiting the Islands in the calendar year, their occupation and the maximum duration of their stay during each visit. Note: a Business Visitors Permit cannot be issued for more than fourteen days on any one visit.

I intend to employ a non-Caymanian to work between 1- 180 days. What type of work permit should I apply for?

The Immigration Law (2007 Revision) allows the Chief Immigration Officer to grant a Temporary Work Permit for a period up to 180 days.

Can I renew a Temporary Work Permit?

Temporary Work Permit issued for 180 days cannot be renewed or extended.

I have terminated the employment of a work permit holder and would like to delay informing the Immigration Department so that he can look for another job. Is this allowed?

The Immigration Regulations require an employer to inform the Chief Immigration Officer of the termination of employment of a work permit holder immediately. An employer who fails to comply with this requirement can be fined five thousand dollars.

Am I required to provide a letter of release to a work permit holder whose employment I have terminated?

No, but you may do so if you have no objection to the person seeking alternative employment.

Can I require a work permit holder to pay for their work permit?

No. it is an offence under the Immigration Law (2007 Revision) for an employer to seek or receive money or other compensation from a work permit holder in respect of his work permit fee.

Can I promote or re-designate a work permit holder without the approval of the Work Permit Board or Business Staffing Plan Board?

No, the Immigration Law (2007 Revision) requires you to first obtain the approval of the relevant Board before promoting or re-designating an employee.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administrates the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

#### Governance

#### Laws

The Immigration Law (2010 Revision)
Immigration Regulations (2010 Revision)
Immigration (Financial Services Sector) Directions, 2010
Freedom of Information Law, 2007
Freedom of Information Regulations, 2008
Public Service Management Law
The National Archive and Public Records Law, 2007
Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2007 Revision)

Unless otherwise indicated copies of the above laws may be purchased from the Legislative Assembly

# **Corporate Management**

Annual Reports Statistics Audit Reports Hurricane Plan

Copies of the above may be requested by submitting a request under the Freedom of Information Law.

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies. Principal accounting polices are adopted and are prepared in accordance with International Public Accounting Standards.

# **Financial Management**

Annual Budget
2009 – 2010 Budget
Financial Statements
Monthly Cabinet invoices with statistics
List of current tenders, contracts or quotations recently awarded
Board Members allowances, attendance and expenses

Copies of the above may be requested by submitting a request under the Freedom of Information Law.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

Job Vacancies
Staff pay and grading structures
Training and Safety
Human Resources
Internal Memos
Personnel files for present & ex-employees
Panel Reports

Job Evaluations Leave Reports Personnel Audit Info Monthly Payroll Reports

Copies of the above may be requested by submitting a request under the Freedom of Information Law.

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

FOI Internal Guidelines policy and procedures Internal Complaints Procedure Cayman Status & Permanent Residency Board Work Permit Board Business Staffing Plan Board Refusal of Leave to Land (Law & Procedure) Policy on the implication of Administrative Fines Policy on investigating Marriages of Convenience

Copies of the above may be requested by submitting a request under the Freedom of Information Law.

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Board Meetings / Minutes of Meetings

Copies of the above may be requested by submitting a request under the Freedom of Information Law.

#### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

FOI Disclosure Log

For further information on any of the above documents please contact the Information Manager at foi.imm@gov.ky or petula.twinn@gov.ky or via telephone at (345) 949-8344.

#### **OUR SERVICES**

The Department of Immigration manages the growth of the country's population by regulating the flow of immigrations into the islands and carries out administrative processing of applications for persons seeking Permanent Residence, Caymanian Status or asylum status.

#### Visas

Visa Application Form Visitors Extension Form Student Visa Application Form

# Residence

Right to be Caymanian Application Form
Permanent Residence Application Form
Residency Certificate for People of Independent Means Application Form

Residency Certificate for People of Independent Means Checklist
Permission to Reside in the Cayman Islands as a Dependant of a Caymanian
Residency with Employment Rights Application Form
Dependant of Caymanian – Affidavit
Residency with Employment Rights – Affidavit
Right to be Caymanian through Marriage - Affidavit

#### **Work Permit Board**

Grand Cayman Grant Form Grand Cayman Renewal Form

# Cayman Brac & Little Cayman Immigration Board

Cayman Brac/Little Cayman Grant Form
Cayman Brac/Little Cayman Renewal Form
Form A – Construction, Gardening/Landscaping and Janitorial Businesses

# **Business Staffing Board**

Grant Form
Renewal Form
Business Staffing Plan – Submission Form
Form A – Construction, Gardening/Landscaping and Janitorial Businesses

#### **Business Visitor Permits**

Business Visitor Permit Form Business Visitor Permit Checklist

## **Temporary Work Permits**

Temporary Permit Application Form Form A – Construction, Gardening/Landscaping and Janitorial Businesses Application Form for Temporary Work Permit (Seasonal Worker)

# **Amending Work Permits**

Amending Dependants Form Amending Employer Form Amending Commencement Date Form

#### Miscellaneous

Medical Questionnaire Application for Access to Immigration Online Work Permit Payment Log Accommodation Form



# Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below:
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

## For example:

Where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment

Where disclosure would facilitate the escape of a person from lawful detention; or jeopardize the security of the prison.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

Records listed as exempt in this document may still be requested under the FOI Law and the Information Manager will make a formal decision on the application.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.pri@gov.ky and ricardo.lashley@gov.kyto request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

## Phone / Fax

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call (345) 947-3000 or fax (345) 947-4662 to request information.

#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

The Information Manager Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service P.O. Box 1807 Grand Cayman, KY1-1109 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison will accept appointment on Mondays –Wednesdays between the hours of 10:00 am – 12:00 pm and 2:00 pm – 4: pm.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact the Information Manager at (345) 947-3000 and by email at foi.pri@gov.ky or ricardo.lashley@gov.ky.

Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

#### 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

## Postage costs

Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law. Freedom of Information requests must be made in writing (letter, email, fax, prescribed form) and include a name, contact details and any preference for how to receive the information (e.g. inspection, photocopies). You don't have to give a reason why you want the information or explicitly state that it is a Freedom of Information request. However, your request should be as specific as possible in describing the information you need. Remember that Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service may not be able to respond to a vague request or a voluminous request if it may unreasonably divert the available resources of the Prison Service. Specific requests will help you get what you want, so try to provide as much information as possible: what kind of document is it, what format is the information in, what date or year was it produced. For more information of FOI Request on how to make a request can be obtained from:

http://www.foi.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1206,3502062& dad=portal& schema=PORTAL

### 6. Complaints

Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact The Director of Prisons at (345) 947-3000 Ext. 300, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from <a href="http://www.foi.gov.ky">http://www.foi.gov.ky</a>
Records listed as exempt in this document may still be requested under the FOI Law and the Information Manager will make a formal decision on the application.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

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- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

## NAME OF PUBLIC AUTHORITY

Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service

#### VISION

We will provide a safe secure and controlled environment for both staff and prisoners. We will provide regimes that are workable, culturally applicable, which will address offending behaviour, improve education, work skills and the development of civic pride, giving prisoners the opportunity to prepare for their return to the community.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Her Majesty's Prison Service serves the public by keeping in custody those committed by the courts. Our duty is to look after them with humanity and help them lead law abiding and useful lives in custody and after release.

#### **GOALS**

In order to achieve its vision the Cayman Islands Prison Service will aim:

- To provide satisfactory, safe and secure conditions for prisoners.
- To reduce the number of escape from prison.
- To reduce the level of risk by helping prisoners work towards achieving Category D status.
- To improve family links.

To increase public awareness of what the prison and its staff are really trying to do.

## **VALUES**

- Prisoners will receive fair and consistent treatment by staff.
- Prisoners will receive compassionate, open and honest advice to their problems.
- Prisoners will receive respect, by staff in the way they are treated.
- Prisoners will be encouraged to accept help and assistance for problems that might be the underlying cause of their offending behaviour.
- Prisoners will be encouraged to make the best use of the time they spend in custody.

In order to achieve our Mission, Vision, Goals and Values we will have carefully selected and train persons who are committed to the Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service.

# HER MAJESTY'S CAYMAN ISLANDS PRISON SERVICE KEY AIMS

#### C.O.S.C.O

#### CUSTODY

Our core business is keeping prisoners in custody. This means holding prisoners securely and pursuing policies to reduce re-offending. Security is the bedrock on which all of our efforts to develop positive regimes are based.

Security is an all-embracing term. By it we mean:

Physical security: walls, bars, locks or even more modern devices such as Closed Circuit Television

- Security procedures for instance accounting for prisoners or searching cells
- Assessment procedures categorizing prisoners to make sure that they are kept in appropriate security conditions
- Intelligence gathering.

Security is also achieved in other ways:

- By diverting prisoners' energy into constructive work and activity
- By developing positive relationships with prisoners
- By creating decent regimes and programmes for prisoners.

#### ORDER

This means that good order is maintained during prisoner movement and activities; to ensure that there are effective internal complaints and disciplinary procedures; and to ensure that effective incident responses procedures are maintained.

Order is achieved through:

- Searches
- Drug Testing
- Intelligence & Information Gathering
- Incident Response & Use of Force
- Audio & Video Surveillance
- Adjudications

Categorizations

#### **SUPPORT**

To stimulate a positive prison environment that will help to create a safe decent and healthy environment with positive prisoner staff relationships and prisoner and prisoner relationships. Where prisoners' problems and concerns can be aired and addressed and guidance offered, with proper staff support.

# Support is achieved through:

- The Officer Advisor
- Sentence Planning
- Family Reintegration Visits
- Family and Social Visits
- Effective Communications
- An effective Social Services Program

#### CARE

By facilitating and allowing access to primary health care to those incarcerated in H.M.C.I.P.

## Care is achieved through:

- 1. Access to in-house Medical Officer
- 2. Access to Counselling

Mental Health
Drug Abuse
Anger Management
Sex Abuse

## **OPPORTUNITIES**

To provide Adult, Juvenile and Young Prisoners with behavioural modification programs; to identify and improve personal education and vocational competencies and social development; to provide meaningful work to build self-confidence and self-esteem through work effort; to provide work-release programs.

#### Opportunities are achieve through:

- Education & Vocational Programs and Testing
- Prisoner Labour
- Community Work Release Program
- Construct
- Sentence Planning

## **MINISTRY**

Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs

## **Deputy Chief Secretary / Chief Officer**

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### **KEY STAFF**

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Mr. Dwight Scott

# **Deputy Director of Prisons**

Mr. Daniel Greaves

## **Director of Eagle Rehabilitation Centre**

Mrs Claire Range

## **Residential Managers**

Principal Officer – Mr. Richard Barton Principal Officer – Mr. Percival Williams Principal Officer – Mr. Stephen Atherley Principal Officer – Mr. Percival Williams Principal Officer – Mr. Harvard Gourzong

## **Operations Manager**

Principal Officer – Mr. Marlon Hodgson

# **Scottish Vacation Qualification Co-ordinator**

Principal Officer – Mr. Edward Callacher

# **Training and Development Manager**

Principal Officer – Mr. Ricardo Lashley

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Ms. Trudy Goodband

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#### Organisation and functions

Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service provides safe and secure custody, whilst promoting and protecting the individual rights of all prisoners committed by the Courts; maintains good order in prison facilities; provides support to prisoners; cares for prisoners with humanity and provides opportunities for prisoners to address their offending behaviour. The aim is to deliver:

- ✓ Deliver offender management service, programmes and activities which address the causes of offending and reoffending:
- ✓ Work in partnership with other organization in the public, private, and voluntary sectors to achieve key offender outcomes.

Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service consist of three facilities, Her Majesty's Prison Northward provides services to convicted and pre-trial adult prisoners, Her Majesty's Prison Fairbanks provides services to convicted and pre-trial female adult, young and juvenile prisoners and Eagle House Rehabilitation Centre that provides service to convicted and pre-trial male young and juvenile prisoners.

# Her Majesty's Prison Northward

#24 Sheffield Drive Northward Road Grand Cayman Cayman Islands

Tele: (345) 947-3000

Fax: (345) 947-4662 / (345) 947-3014

# **Eagle House Rehabilitation Centre**

#24 Sheffield Drive Northward Road Grand Cayman Cayman Islands

Tele: (345) 947-3000

Fax: (345) 947-4662 / (345) 947-3014

# Her Majesty's Prison Fairbanks

# 73 Fairbanks Road George Town Grand Cayman

Tele: (345) 946-0797 Fax: (345) 946-6214

Location and hours	Matters handled
Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service	
#24 Sheffield Drive	
P.O. Box 1807	
Northward Road	
Grand Cayman KY1-1109	
Cayman Islands	
Tele: (345) 947-3000	Prisoner Custody

Fax: (345) 947-4662 / (345) 947-3014	
Office Hours 08:30 am – 4: 30 pm Monday – Friday	
HMP Northward #24 Sheffield Drive P.O. Box 1807 Northward Road Grand Cayman KY1-1109 Cayman Islands	Prisoner Order
Tele: (345) 947-3000 Fax: (345) 947-4662 / (345) 947-3014	
Office Hours 08:30 am – 4: 30 pm Monday – Friday	
HMP Fairbanks # 73 Fairbanks Road P.O. Box 1807 George Town KY1-1109 Grand Cayman Cayman Islands	Prisoner Support
Tele: (345) 946-0797 Fax: (345) 946-6214	
Eagle House Rehabilitation Centre #24 Sheffield Drive P.O. Box 1807 Northward Road Grand Cayman KY1-1109 Cayman Islands	Prisoner Care
Tele: (345) 947-3000 Fax: (345) 947-4662 / (345) 947-3014	
Office Hours 08:30 am – 4: 30 pm Monday – Friday	Prisoner Opportunities

# <u>Note</u>

Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service's Facilities are residential facilities and is staff 24 hours everyday. Operational matters can be referred to the Gatekeeper at anytime.

Records listed as exempt in this document may still be requested under the FOI Law and the Information Manager will make a formal decision on the application.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### 1. Can I send e-mail to an inmate?

No. Inmates do not have access to the Internet.

# 2. Is it possible to obtain uniform patches or badges from Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service?

No. Patches or badges are not made available to the Public.

# 3. What is the difference between an "Escape" and an "Abscond"?

The definition of Escape is "where a prisoner breaches a perimeter security barrier or evades a secure escort." Everything else would be classed as either an "Abscond" or "Fail to Return". In order to clarify, all of our facilities have secure perimeters.

# 4. Is it possible for me to be told if a specific individual is held in a Cayman Islands Prison?

Yes. Contact can be made to the duty manager at HMP Northward Tele: (345) 94-73000.

# 5. How many prisons are there in the Cayman Islands?

There are three facilities in the Cayman Islands, HMP Northward (male adult prisoners), HMP Fairbanks (female prisoners) and Eagle House Rehabilitation Centre (juveniles and young prisoners)

# 6. What is capacity of the Prison?

The Certified National Accommodation of the Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service is 179 prisoners.

# 7. How much does it cost to run Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service? It cost \$13,965,706 (2009 - 2010 Cayman Islands Annual Budget)

## 8. What is the prisoner supervision system?

The Prisoner Supervision System is designed to assist the effective management of prisoners and: to provide for public safety. Each prisoner will be assigned to one of three Supervision Levels:

**High Supervision:** an individual, for whom all activities and movements require to be authorised, supervised and monitored by prison staff.

**Medium Supervision:** an individual for whom activities and movements are subject to locally specified limited supervision and restrictions.

**Low Supervision:** an individual for whom activities and movements, specified locally, are subject to minimum supervision and restrictions [and could include license conditions and unsupervised activities in the community].

# 9. Who is responsible for running Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service? The Director Prisons is mandated by law to run Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service.

## 10. What qualifications do I need to become a prison officer?

To qualify, all applicants must possess a good level of education (will have graduated at secondary level with passes in English and Maths).

# 11. How long is a life sentence?

A present there is no tariff for a sentence of life imprisonment. It means imprisonment for natural life.

# 12. If someone is denied or disapproved for visitation, how can they appeal? What if they were initially approved but later suspended?

Visitors initially denied the right to visit have no appeal rights. Visitors who are initially approved to visit but then are later suspended may appeal in writing to the Director of Prisons or his/her designated representative requesting restoration of visiting privileges and their justification for this action. The Direct of Prisons or his/her designee may modify any suspension or termination of visiting privilege. The address for filing an appeal is:

Director of Prisons P.O. Box 1807 Grand Cayman. KY1-1109 Cayman Islands

## 13. How many people work for Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service?

Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service employed 154 staff as at November 30, 2010.

## 14. Can inmates receive telephone calls?

No. Prisoners housed in regular population will be allowed to make outgoing telephone calls to family and friends. Prisoners are not allowed to receive incoming telephone calls. The number of calls a prisoner is allowed to make may be limited by the housing assignment or custody classification. All telephone calls will be paid for by the prisoner.

# 15. When does visitation take place?

Visitation days and hours are established by each individual prison facility. Although most facilities have visiting hours on Saturday and Sunday, you should contact the particular prison facility to ask about its visiting schedule. Prison phone numbers are available on line http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1593984&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL Be aware that you may experience long lines at weekend visitation. Visitation will not occur on holidays.

# STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs through the Office of Commissioner of Correction and Rehabilitation administers Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

Governance	Access
Prisons Law (Law 14 of 1975)	Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison
-formerly entitled the Imprisonment Law	Service will make available to the public any
Amendment by Law 10 of 1981	Governing Legislation and Regulations
Amendment by Law 18 of 1981	listed at the cost to reproduce.
Commencement of sections 4, 5, 6, 9 and 10	,
of amending Law by Commencement Order-	All listed Governing Legislation and
remainder not yet in force	Regulations are available for purchase from
Amendment by Law 5 of 1986	the Legislative Assembly:
Amendment by Law 14 of 1987	
Amendment by Law 1 of 1992	Legislative Assembly
Amendment by Law 8 of 1995 (part)	P.O. Box 890
Amendment by Law 13 of 1998	Grand Cayman KY1-1103
Amendment by Law 25 of 2005	Cayman Islands
Amendment by Law 34 of 2005	
	Sale of Laws
Prison Officers (Discipline) Regulations	Monday through Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
(1999 Revision)	
Prison Rules (1999 Revision)	Note Note
Prisons and Places of Detention	7
Regulations (2000 Revision)	All documents posted online will be made
	available by mail or fax for those persons
Penal Code (2007 Revision)	without access to the internet.
Juveniles Law, 1990 (Law 19 of 1990)	
	http://www.foi.gov.ky/portal/page?_pageid=
Freedom of Information Law, 2007 (Law 10	1206,3502123&_dad=portal&_schema=PO
of 2007)	RTAL
Public Service Management Law (2007	http://www.gazettes.gov.ky/servlet/page?_p
Revision)	ageid=3617&_dad=portal30&_schema=PO
	RTAL30&_mode=3
	http://www.gazettes.gov.ky/servlet/page?_p
	ageid=3617&_dad=portal30&_schema=PO
Personnel Regulations, 2006	RTAL30&_mode=3
Public Service Pensions Law (2004	http://www.gazettes.gov.ky
Revision)	
Public Service Pensions Regulations (2004	
Revision)	http://www.gazettes.gov.ky
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# **CORPORATE MANAGEMENT**

Corporate Management	Access
Strategic Plan for Her Majesty's Cayman	
Islands Prison Service.	FOI Request

	http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?_pageid=114 2,1591697&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTA
The Cayman Islands Annual Reports	L -
Prisons Inspection Board	http://www.gov.ky
Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison	
Service Statistics	Contact Information Manager
Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison	
Service	
Organizational Chart	Contact Information Manager

# FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Financial Management	Access
	http://www.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/page/cigh
Annual Budget Statement for Her Majesty's	ome/find/organisations/azagencies/pfe/theb
Cayman Islands Prison Service (2009-2010)	udget/20092010/200910abs.pdf
	http://www.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/page/cigh
Statement of Accounting Policies	ome/find/organisations/azagencies/pfe/theb
(Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs)	udget/20092010/200910abs.pdf
Forecast Operating Statement	http://www.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/page/cigh
For The Year Ended 30 June 2010	ome/find/organisations/azagencies/pfe/theb
(Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs)	udget/20092010/200910abs.pdf
Forecast Statement Of Changes In Net Worth	http://www.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/page/cigh
For The Year Ended 30 June 2010	ome/find/organisations/azagencies/pfe/theb
(Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs)	udget/20092010/200910abs.pdf
Public Service Pensions Regulations (2004	
Revision)	http://www.gazettes.gov.ky
Forecast Balance Sheet	http://www.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/page/cigh
As At 30 June 2010	ome/find/organisations/azagencies/pfe/theb
(Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs)	udget/20092010/200910abs.pdf
Output Invoices	FOI Request
Fixed Asset Purchases	FOI Request
Journals	FOI Request
Quarterly Reports	FOI Request

# FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Financial Management	Access
Payroll	FOI Request
Financial Correspondence	
·	FOI Request
Service Level Agreements (for previous	
financial years)	FOI Request

Overtime records	FOI Request
Monthly Financial Statements	FOI Request

# **ADMINISTRATION**

Administration	Access
IRIS Data Base (HR Related)	FOI Request
HR Correspondence	FOI Request
Evaluated Job Descriptions	Contact the Human Resources Department
Personnel Forms	Contact the Human Resources Department
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Notices to Staff	FOI Request
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HR Forum	Contact the Human Resources Department
Weekly Time Sheets	FOI Request
	FOI Request
	*Information Commissioner's Decision
	http://www.infocomm.ky/pubdocs/File/Deci
Staff Pay	sion%201%20-%2001009.pdf
Recruitment Exercises (files kept for those	
completed)	FOI Request
Staff Pay and Grading Structure	Contact the Human Resources Department

# POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Policies & Procedures	Access
HMCIPS Staff Handbook	FOI Request
Drugs Policy	Contact the Information Manager
Uniform Policy	Contact the Information Manager
Code of Conduct and Ethical Behavior	Contact the Information Manager
Health and Safety Policy	FOI Request

Freedom of Information Internal Policy	Information Manager
	Information Manager/Visitors Center a HMP
Visitors Policy	Northward
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Prison Volunteer Handbook	Contact the Information Manager
Smoking Policy	Contact the Information Manager
Community Work Release and Rehabilitation	
Policy	Contact the Information Manager
	Exempt under section 16 (f) of the Freedom
K-9 Policy	of Information Law, 2007
Human Capital Development Policy	FOI Request
	Exempt under section 16 (f) of the Freedom
<b>Tools Control Policy</b>	of Information Law, 2007
Prisoner Classification Policy	FOI Request
Prisoner Labour Policy	FOI Request
	Exempt under section 16 (f) of the Freedom
Directors Orders	of Information Law, 2007
	Exempt under section 16 (f) of the Freedom
Operational Orders	of Information Law, 2007
	Exempt under section 16 (f) of the Freedom
Post Orders	of Information Law, 2007
Government Circulars	FOI Request

# **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Decisions and Recommendations	Access
Minutes of Senior Managers Meeting	FOI Request
Minutes Supervisor Meeting	FOI Request
Minutes of the Prisoner Classification Board	FOI Request
Minutes of the Prisoner Labour Board	FOI Request

# **LISTS & REGISTERS**

Lists and Registers	Access
Population Register	FOI Request
Asset Register	Information Manager
FOI Disclosure Log	Information Manager
Complaints Register	FOI Request
Food Refusal Register	FOI Request
Vocational Program Attendance Register	FOI Request
Weekly Prisoner Meals Register	Information Manager
Daily Inspection of Meals Register	Information Manager
Food Services Knives Register	Information Manager
Food Services Inventory Register	Information Manager
Confiscate Items Register	FOI Request
Key Information Database Prisoners Labour List Prisoners Alpha List	
Prisoners Accounts	FOI Request
Peach Tree Data Base Procurement	FOI Request

# **OUR SERVICES**

Services	Record	Access
Custody		Exempt by section 23
		(1) of the Freedom of
To provide safe secure custody, whilst	Prisoner Main File	Information Law, 2007
promoting and protecting the individual rights		Information Law,
of all prisoners committed by the Courts		2007Exempt by section
including reception, secure accommodation,		16 (f) of the Freedom
escorting and discharging of prisoners		of Information Law,
	Residential Journals	2007
		Exempt by section 16
	Special Information	(f) of the Freedom of
	Books	Information Law, 2007
		Exempt by section 23
	Record of Daily	(1) of the Freedom of
	Behaviour	Information Law, 2007
		Exempt by section 23
		(1) of the Freedom of
	Record of Visitors	Information Law, 2007
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Record of Hand-ins

Exempt by section 23 (1) of the Freedom of

		Information Law, 2007
	Prison Statistics	·
	FIISOII Statistics	Information Manager Exempt by section 16
		(f) of the Freedom of
	Gatekeeper Journals	Information Law, 2007
	•	Exempt by section 23
		(1) of the Freedom of
	Warrant Files	Information Law, 2007
	Enquires/Questions	Contact the Information Manager
Opportunities		
	Education &	5015
To provide Adult, Juvenile and Young	Vocational Programs	FOI Request
Prisoners with behavioural modification	City and Guilds Certification Program	Contact the Information
programs; to identify and improve personal education and vocational competencies and	Prisoner Labour	Manager
social development; to provide meaningful	/Token Wages	FOI Request
work to build self-confidence and self-	Community Work	
esteem through work effort; to provide work-	Release and	
release programs.	Rehabilitation	
	Program	Information Manager
		Exempt by section 23
	Risk Assessment	(1) of the Freedom of Information Law, 2007
	Nisk Assessment	Exempt by section 23
		(1) of the Freedom of
	Sentence Planning	Information Law, 2007
		Exempt by section 23
	Constructs post-	(1) of the Freedom of
	programme reports	Information Law, 2007
		Exempt by section 23 (1) of the Freedom of
	Parole Dossiers	Information Law, 2007
Support	. 4.0.0 200000	
		Exempt by section 23
To stimulate a positive prison environment that will help to create a safe decent end healthy environment with positive prisoner staff relationship and prisoner and prisoner relationship where prisoners' problems and concerns can be aired and addressed and guidance offered, with proper staff support.	Chaplaincy	(1) of the Freedom of
		Information Law, 2007
	Volunteering	Information Manager
		Exempt by section 23
	Family Pointagration	(1) of the Freedom of
	Family Reintegration	Information Law, 2007 Exempt by section 23
		(1) of the Freedom of
	Counseling Services	Information Law, 2007
		Exempt by section 23
	Sex Offenders	(1) of the Freedom of
	Program	Information Law, 2007
	Food Services	Information Manager

Support (continued)	Complaints & Requests	Exempt by section 23 (1) of the Freedom of Information Law, 2007
	Special Programs	Information Manager
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By facilitating and allowing access to primary		Exempt by section 23
health care to those incarcerated in	Madical 9 Dantal	(1) of the Freedom of
H.M.C.I.P.  Order	Medical & Dental	Information Law, 2007 Exempt by section 16
Order		(f) of the Freedom of
To ensure that good order is maintained	Searches	Information Law, 2007
during prisoner movement and activities; to		
ensure that there are effective internal	Drug Testing	FOI Request
complaints and disciplinary procedures; and		Exempt by section 16
to ensure that effective incident responses	Investigations	(f) of the Freedom of Information Law, 2007
procedures are maintained.	Intelligence &	Exempt by section 16
	Information	(f) of the Freedom of
	Gathering	Information Law, 2007
	Incident Response &	
	Use of Force	FOI Request
		Exempt by section 16
	Audio & Video Surveillance	(f) of the Freedom of
	Surveillance	Information Law, 2007 Exempt by section 16
		(f) of the Freedom of
	CCTV Recordings	Information Law, 2007
	Contraband	Exempt by section 16
	Recovery	(f) of the Freedom of
		Information Law, 2007
	Prison Regime	Information Manager
		Exempt by section 16 (f) of the Freedom of
	Security Breaches	Information Law, 2007
	Goodiny Brodones	Exempt by section 23
		(1) of the Freedom of
	Major Assaults Log	Information Law, 2007
		Exempt by section 16
	Prisoner Adjudication	(f) of the Freedom of Information Law, 2007
	FIISUHEI AUJUUICAIION	Exempt by section 16
		(f) of the Freedom of
	Incidents Reports	Information Law, 2007
	1	Exempt by section 16
		(f) of the Freedom of
	Security Reports	Information Law, 2007

# **General Notes**

- i. Records listed as exempt in this document may still be requested under the FOI Law and the Information Manager will make a formal decision on the application.
- ii. Requests for records that indicate that contact should be made to the Information Manager or any particular department will be made readily available to the public by email, copies, website or fax. The cost of reproduction of these records may be passed on to the requestor.
- iii. Her Majesty's Cayman Islands Prison Service will make readily available outlines of the programs operated by the Service to requestors.
- iv. For general information on the following headings requestor should contact:

Custody & Order	Opportunities & Support
Mr. Marlon Hodgson	Mr. Peter Foster
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Cayman Islands	Cayman Islands
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Eagle House Rehabilitation Center Mrs. Claire Range	HMP Fairbanks Mr. Harvard Gourzong
Mrs. Claire Range	Mr. Harvard Gourzong
Mrs. Claire Range #24 Sheffield Drive	Mr. Harvard Gourzong #24 Sheffield Drive
Mrs. Claire Range #24 Sheffield Drive Northward Road	Mr. Harvard Gourzong #24 Sheffield Drive Northward Road
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Human Resources	Complaints
Human Resources Department	The Office of the Director of Prisons
HMP Northward	HMP Northward
#24 Sheffield Drive	#24 Sheffield Drive
Northward Road	Northward Road
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Cayman İslands	Cayman Islands
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iv. For all other general information request the requestor should contact:

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# **Royal Cayman Islands Police Service**

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service ("RCIPS") to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

#### The RCIPS will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme:
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The RCIPS will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the RCIPS, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the RCIPS's (or another organization's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

Persons' conviction records living or dead are personal information and shall not be released pursuant to Section 23 (1) of the Freedom of Information Law, 2007. However, persons' applying for their police records for visas/waivers, passports or for employment must complete the prescribed form, provide identification, such as their driver's license or passport and pay the prescribed fee.

Persons' fingerprints, palm prints, footprints, or other physical specimens of any person convicted of any offence punishable by imprisonment, or in lawful custody for any offence punishable by imprisonment, whether such persons have been convicted of such offence or not shall not be released pursuant to Section 23 (1) of the Freedom of Information Law, 2007.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at http://www.rcips.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact Information Manager, Mr. Raymond Christian at foi.pol@gov.ky or raymond.christian@gov.ky.

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.pol@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

# Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call Mr. Raymond Christian at (345)526-2538 or Mrs. Natacha Malebranche – Marshall at (345)949-4222 Ext. 2907 to request information.

# <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Mr. Raymond Christian
Information Manager
RCIPS Head Quarters
4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square
George Town
P.O. Box 909
Grand Cayman KY1-1103
CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

## Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Mr. Raymond Christian at 526-2538 or Mrs. Natacha Malebranche – Marshall at (345)949-4222 Ext. 2907.

The RCIPS will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the RCIPS is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The RCIPS strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

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The RCIPS will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the RCIPS has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication

#### **Scheme**

If you wish to make a request for information you should contact the Information Manager or submit a completed application form either via email to foi.pol@gov.ky or by post or hand delivered to any police building.

Requests must be in writing (letter, email or facsimile) and must include your name and an address (either postal or e-mail). Please be as specific as possible about the information you would like, as this will help us to respond promptly. Where possible, please include a contact telephone number so we can call to discuss your request if necessary.

We will respond to your request promptly. The Law requires public authorities to respond within 30 calendar days, allowing an extension of an additional 30 calendar days if needed. We will always acknowledge receipt of FOI requests made to the above address and we will let you know if we need to extend the deadline.

Information held by the RCIPS that is not published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

For more information on "making a request" information can be obtained from: http://www.rcips.ky/foi\_making\_a\_request.htm.

## 6. Complaints

The RCIPS aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please write or contact Mr. Raymond Christian at (345)526-2538 or Mrs. Natacha Malebranche – Marshall at (345)949-4222 Ext. 2907, and we will try to resolve your complaint as guickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from http://www.rcips.ky/professional\_standards.htm.

If you do not have access to the internet, you may collect a copy of our Complaints & Discipline Procedures from our Professional Standards Unit at RCIPS Head Quarters, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square between the hours of 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM – Monday to Friday.

RCIPS is proud to deliver the highest possible service to the community. For us there is no greater priority. We understand that if we are going to learn from experience and find ways to be even better, we need to listen and respond to the needs and views of members of the public.

Generally there are two types of complaints; complaints about our staff and complaints about our policies and procedures.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402

email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

## **ABOUT US**

## Name of public authority

Royal Cayman Islands Police Service ("RCIPS")

#### <u>Ministry</u>

Portfolio of Internal & External Affairs

#### Chief officer

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## Name and Title of Head

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# **Organisation and functions**

The purpose of the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service is to uphold the law fairly and firmly; to prevent and detect crime; to pursue and bring to justice those who break the law; to keep the peace and to protect, help and reassure the community with integrity, sound judgment and common sense.

We shall achieve this by focusing on performance, working with our partners, recognizing diversity and human rights and by being compassionate, courteous and patient in our work. We must be professional, calm and restrained when faced with violence, applying only such reasonable force as is necessary to accomplish our lawful duty. We will act with integrity, flexibility and commitment. We will strive to reduce the fears of the public and respond to well-founded criticism with a willingness to learn and change.

# Grand Cayman KY1- 1103 CAYMAN ISLANDS Tel. #: (345)949-4222

Fax: (345)946-2418 web: http://www.rcips.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
Corporate & Business	- Firearms & Security Licensing
Services	- Training
80 Shedden Road	- Professional Standards Unit
4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, phase 3, Elizabethan	- Estates
Square	- Vehicle fleet
George Town	- FOI
8:30 am - 5:00pm Monday -	- HR
Friday	- Finance
	- Stores
	- IT
	- Media
Security & Firearms	- Licensing of security guards &
Licensing Unit	security companies, inspection of
Windjammer Plaza, Unit 7, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	security premises, vetting of
Floor, Walkers Road, GT	security guards
	- Renewal of firearms licences,
	vetting of new applicants, inspect
	firearm premises, maintaining a
	data base of all firearm users
Training & Development Unit	- Training RCIPS' staff & Special
23 Lime Tree Bay Avenue	Constabulary
Bldg 6 - Units 101, 102, 103,	- Tutor Unit
104	- Write exam papers for
8:00am 4:00am	Promotions
8:00am – 4:00pm	- Prepare entrance exams for new
	Enlistments
	- Overseas training or outsourcing
	Any specialized training
Professional Standards Unit	Complaints about police officers
Windjammer Plaza, Unit 6, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Complaints about policies &
Floor, Walkers Road, George	procedures
Town	
8:30 am – 5:00pm Monday -	
Friday	Overses UD 9 Finance
Business Manager 80 Shedden Road	- Oversee HR & Finance DEPartments
4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, phase 3, Elizabethan	- Succession planning
Square, George Town	- Career development
8:30 am – 5:00pm Monday -	- Promotional policies
Friday	- Procurements
	- Capital projects

<ul> <li>- Maintenance of RCIPS' Buildings/compounds</li> <li>- Maintenance of furniture</li> <li>- Internal security</li> <li>- Service equipment/uniforms</li> <li>- Leases</li> <li>- IT</li> <li>- Fleet Manager</li> <li>- RCIPS' financial related matters</li> <li>- Payables</li> <li>- receivables</li> <li>- Payrolls</li> <li>- Budget</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Recruiting</li> <li>Discipline (civilian)</li> <li>Managing leave</li> <li>writing/updating HR policies</li> <li>enforcing HR policies</li> <li>Ordering uniforms &amp; equipment</li> <li>Maintaining inventory of Uniforms &amp; equipment</li> <li>Distribution of uniforms &amp; Equipment</li> <li>Distribution &amp; posting of mail</li> <li>Ordering computers, peripherals base &amp; handheld radios</li> <li>Installing computers, software &amp; peripherals</li> <li>Maintaining a log of computers, peripherals, base &amp; handheld radios</li> <li>Interact with Computer Services</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>- Telecommunications</li> <li>- Press releases</li> <li>- Arranging RCIPS' events (crime prevention/Crime Stoppers etc.)</li> <li>- Maintaining RCIPS' website</li> <li>- Public relations</li> <li>- General police duties (Uniform) - patrols</li> <li>- CID</li> </ul>

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	- Neighbourhood policing
	- Criminal Records Office
	- Crime Desk
	- Uniform Support Group
	- Processing prisoners
	- Managing prisoners
Financial Crime Unit	- Investigation of financial -
7 Commerce House	Related crimes
Dr. Roys Drive, George Town	- Assist with international
8:30am – 5:00pm – Monday -	enquiries
Friday	•
- riday	- Anti money laundering
	- MLAT and other financial
	international enquiries &
	bi-lateral treaties & MOUS
Joint Intelligence Unit	- Gathering, analyzing and
28 A Piccadilly Centre – 5 <sup>th</sup>	disseminating information &
Floor	intelligence on criminal activities
George Town	within the Cayman Islands
Drugs Task Force	- Investigations of drug-related
21 AVCOM Building	crimes
Breezy Way, Owen Roberts	Crimes
Drive	
Administration – 8:30am –	
5:00pm	
Operational – office hours	
fluctuates	
Air Operations Unit	- Provide effective aerial support
-	To the RCIPS & other
Island Air Hangar	
Owen Roberts Dr.	Government agencies, utilizing
	The RCIPS' helicoper
Joint Police/Customs/	- Border protection
Immigration Marine Unit	- conduct
21 AVCOM Building	- Search and rescue operations
Breezy Way, Owen Roberts	- deal with illegal immigrants at
Drive	Sea and human smuggling
24 hours 7 days per week	
Traffic Management	- Enforce the Traffic Law
24 Agnes Way	- Direct traffic
George Town	- Direct road closures
24 hours 7 days per week	
West Bay Police Station	- General police duties
242 West Church Street	(Uniformed patrols)
West Bay	- CID
24 hours 7 days per week	- Neighbourhood policing
27 Hours / days per week	- Processing prisoners

	- Managing prisoners
Bodden Town Police Station	- General police duties
445B Bodden Town Road	·
443B Boddell Towll Road	(Uniformed patrols) - CID
24 hours 7 days per week	I -
24 flours / days per week	- Neighbourhood policing
East End Police Station	- General police duties
460 Austin Conolly Drive	(Uniformed patrols)
East End	- Neighbourhood policing
	Treighboarnood policing
24 hours 7 days per week	
North Side Police Station	- General police duties
53 Hutland Road	(Uniformed patrols)
North Side	- Neighbourhood policing
24 hours 7 days per week	
Cayman Brac Police Station	- General police duties
9 Ivory Lane,	(Uniformed patrols)
Creek	- Neighbourhood policing
24 hours 7 days per week	
Little Cayman Police Station	- General police duties
Spot Bay Road	(Uniformed patrols)
Little Cayman	- Neighbourhood policing
7am – 11pm 7 days per week	
Contingency Planning Unit	- Policies
3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, George Town Police	- Disaster preparedness &
Station	planning
69 A Elgin Avenue, GT	r
Family Support Unit	- Domestic matters
93 Smith Road, Unit 7 & 8	- Child abuse matters/sexual
,	assaults
	- Abuse against the elderly &
	vulnerable persons
	- Juvenile delinquency
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# **HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS**

NAME	AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITIES
Commissioner Mr. David	- Command, superintendence & direction
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2964	throughout the Service
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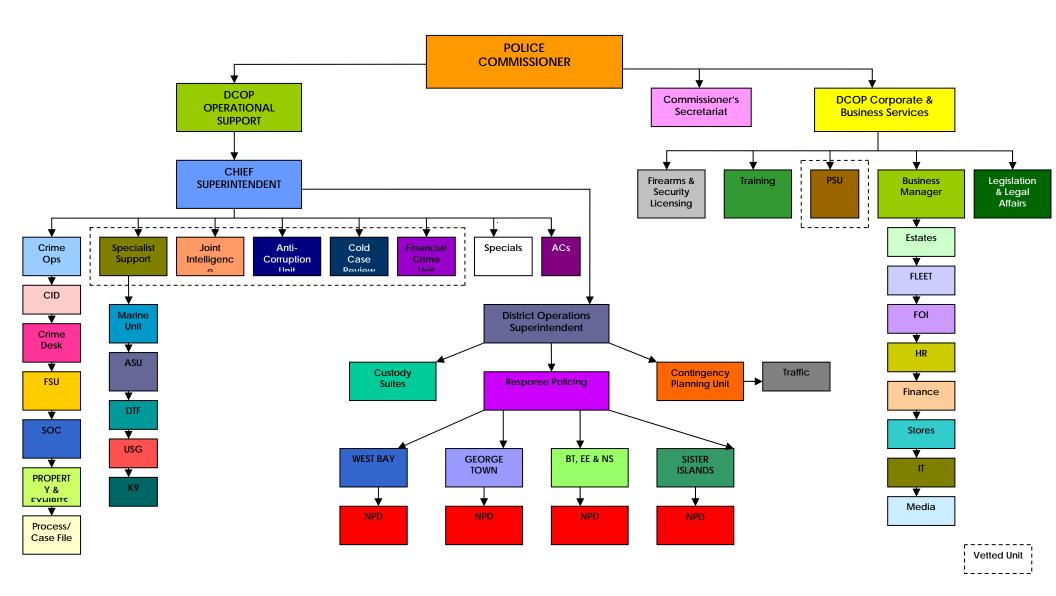
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Chief Inspector Mr.	- Cayman Brac & Little Cayman policing
Malcolm Kay	
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# **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
GOLD Meetings	- Meets weekly	- Minutes are not available to the
DEP Commissioners	(Monday – Friday)	public because they are
Ch Superintendents	RCIPS Conference Room -	intelligence related to RCIPS'
Superintendents	RCIPS HQ	strategic operations
Public Relations Officer	- Not open to the	
	public	
Strategic Meeting	- Meets once per	- Not available to the public
Commissioner – Chairman	Month & review strategies	
Attended by: GOLD	* Priorities of RCIPS	
Team, DEP	* Budget	
Commissioners, Business	* Performance	
& HR Managers, Police	Management	
Association Rep	* Projects	
	* Staffing * Police welfare	
Resource Meeting		- Not available to the public
Commissioner – Chairman	<ul><li>Meets once quarterly</li><li>Discusses establishment &amp;</li></ul>	- Not available to the public
Attended by: DEP		
Commissioners, Ch	strength of Service - Recruitment	
Superintendents &		
Superintendents & Superintends	- Discipline	
Diversity Meeting	- Meets once quarterly	- Not available to the public
Commissioner – Chairman	- Discusses strategies of	- Not available to the public
Attended by: DEP	diversity issues	
Commissioners, Chief	- Not open to the public	
Superintendent,	- Not open to the public	
Superintendents, Business		
& HR Managers, Head of		
Training, Police		
Association REP		
Commanders	- Meets weekly	Not available to the public
meeting/Tasking & Co-		'
ordinating	- Discusses tactical	
Ch Superintendent –	operations	
Chairman	- Staffing	
	Smilling	

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Attended by: Districts	- Tasking	
Commanders & Heads of	- Crime	
Departments	trends/intelligence/threats	
	- Not open to the public	
Firearms Strategy Group	- Meets monthly	- Not available to the public
DEP Commissioners –	- Discusses strategies in	
Chair	relation to firearms	
Attended by:		
Superintendents, Heads of		
USG, JIU & Security &		
Firearms Licensing Unit		
Hurricane Meeting	- Meets bi-weekly six	Minutes are not available to the
Commissioners or	months per year.	public because the issues
nominees chair	- Review & update the	discussed relate to internal
Attended by: officers with	Organisation's Hurricane	matters
specific roles &	_	
=	Preparedness Plans,	
responsibilities,	including, inter alia,	
Commandant Special	security arrangements,	
Constabulary	sheltering, deployment	
	roles, equipment, staffing,	
	officers/families' welfare	
	- Not open to the public	
Police Association	Meetings are called when	Minutes are not available to the
Branch Board A	necessary.	public because the issues
DC 171 Richard Clarke –		discussed relate to internal police
Chairman – representing	RCIPS Conference Room –	operations as it affect officers
officers from Constable to	RCIPS Headquarters	
Sergeant		
Branch Board B		
CI Courtney Myles –		
Chairman – representing		
Inspectors to		
Superintendents		
DC 114 Charmine		
Dalhouse – Secretary		
Inspector Ian Yearwood -		
Treasurer Police Welfare	Meet on average twice per	Minutes are not available to the
Commissioner of Police,	week	Public because they relate to the
President, Detective Insp.	WCGR	personal welfare of Police Officers
John Evans Chairman –	Chairman's office, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	personal wellare of Folice Officers
Sgt Jessie Melbourne –	GTPS	
Treasury, Assistant		
Treasury Ian McDonald	Not open to the public	

# **ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**



## Frequently asked questions

#### Age - When can I?

#### 5 Years old

Must attend school or home education

#### 10 years old

- A person under the age of 10 years is not criminally responsible for any act or omission
- You can be sent to a place of safety for young juveniles and young offenders at Care Homes and Eagle House

## 12 years old

A male person under the age of 12 years is presumed to be incapable of having carnal knowledge

# 14 years old

A person under the age of 14 years is not criminally responsible for any act or omission unless it is
proved that at the time of doing the act or making the omission he had the capacity to know that he
ought not do the act or make the omission

# 16 years old

- Can get married with parents consent
- Can have sexual intercourse
- Can work full time if you have graduated from school
- Can get a learner's license to ride a moped
- Can buy tobacco/cigarettes

#### 17 years old

- Can obtain a full license to drive vehicles
- Can be sent to an adult prison

#### 18 years old

- Can buy alcohol
- Can drink in a bar or pub
- Can get married without parents' consent
- Can sit on a jury
- Can vote
- Can leave home without parents consent

#### 21 years old

Can hold a license to sell alcohol

# Is there a legal age for a babysitter?

No, there is no legal age for babysitting. It is the responsibility of the parents to use common sense to make a decision. It is worth bearing in mind that a 16-year-old cannot be prosecuted for neglect or ill treatment of a child in their care. The parents, carers, guardians would be charged in that situation. However, anyone 16 or over who has responsibility for a person under that age can be prosecuted.

## I know of a bar that is selling alcohol to underage people. What should I do?

Report it to the police at (345)949-4222 or the Liquor Licensing Board at (345)946-5446 Ext. 5, so they can take follow up the report.

#### How much alcohol do I need to drink to be over the limit?

The only safe amount of alcohol to have in your blood and drive is ZERO, NONE!

Alcohol impairs your judgment and affects your reflexes. The best course of action if you have had a drink is to call a taxi.

#### I think my child/friend is drinking too much, what can I do?

There are many agencies that can give you advice click here for more information. The Family Support Unit is staffed with experienced officers who can give advice and guidance discreetly. They can be reached on 946-9185.

### Complaints against police

Please visit our dedicated pages on the Professional Standards Unit which gives details about making complaints against police by clicking here. http://www.rcips.ky/professional\_standards.htm

#### Is OC spray/pepper spray legal?

No. These goods are prohibited under the Penal Code. Under this law it is an offence to import, manufacture, sell or be in possession of any weapon designed to discharge a noxious gas or liquid, punishable by a fine of ten thousand dollars and/or imprisonment for ten years.

#### I have been sprayed with OC or pepper spray. Does it have any long-term effects?

The immediate effects of CS Spray are discomfort to the eyes, burning sensation, coughing and tightness in the chest. These symptoms should disappear within fifteen minutes. To aid recovery the best thing to do is stand in fresh air. If symptoms persist you should consult your doctor.

#### What should I do if I witness a crime?

Witnessing a crime can be extremely traumatic. If you are witnessing a crime or offence being committed, report it immediately or ask someone else to report it while you continue to watch what is happening. If your call is an emergency you should dial 911. An emergency is an incident which requires an immediate response.

#### What should I look for if I witness a crime?

If you are witness to an incident then you will need to describe as much of what took place as you can include those involved and their actions in as much detail as possible. Pay attention to people's height, build, hair colour and any distinguishing markings as well as their clothes. Write down what you saw as soon as you can so you do not forget or get confused later on.

#### What do the police class as an emergency when I call 911?

Listed below are a few examples of emergencies when it would be necessary to call 911. This list is not exhaustive and common sense must prevail.

#### General circumstances of an incident reported to police when there is likely to be:

- Danger to life
- Use, or immediate threat of use, of violence
- Serious injury to a person and/or serious damage to property

#### **Criminal Conduct:**

The crime is, or likely to be serious and in progress

- An offender has been disturbed at the scene
- An offender has been detained

#### **Road Traffic Collision**

 Involved or is likely to involve, serious personal injury, the road is blocked or there is dangerous or excessive build up of traffic.

For more information on "frequently asked questions" more information can be obtained at: http://www.rcips.ky/faq.htm

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

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#### **Governance**

- Animals Law (2003 Revision)
- Animals (Disposal) Regulations, 1997
- Animals (Restriction on Riding) Order (1996 Revision)
- Animals (Prohibited Dogs) Regulations (2004)
- Animals (Exportation, Importation, Protection and Control) Regulations (2004 Revision)
- Banks & Trust Companies Law (2009 Revision)
- Banks & Trust Companies (license Applications and Fees) Regulations (2009)
- Banks and Trust Companies (Designation) Order (97 Revision)
- Children Law 2003
- Companies Law (2009 Revision)
- Companies (Forms) Rules (1998 Revision)
- Companies Winding Up Rules 2008
- Companies Management Law (2003 Revision)
- Computer Misuse Law, 2000
- Confidential Relationships (Preservation) Law (2009 Revision)
- Criminal Justice (International Cooperation) Law (2004 Revision)
- Criminal Procedure Code (2007 Revision)
- Customs Law 2007 Revision)
- Customs Regulations (2002 Revision)
- Development & Planning Law (2008 Revision)

- Development & Planning Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Elections Law (2009 Revision)
- Electricity Law (2008 Revision)
- Electricity Regulations (2005 Revision)
- Electricity (Amendment) Regulations 2009
- Electricity Regulatory Authority Law 2008
- Electricity Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Law 2009
- Electronic Transactions Law (2003 Revision)
- Emergency Powers Law (2006 Revision)
- Evidence Law (2007 Revision)
- Exempted Limited Partnership Law (2007 Revision)
- Exempted Limited Partnership regulations (2002 Revision)
- Exempted Limited Partnership (Amendment) Law 2009
- Explosives Law (2008 Revision)
- Finance Law, 2000
- Firearms Law (2008 Revision)
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- Freedom of Information Law, 2007
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- Immigration Regulations, 2009 Revision
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- Juveniles Law, 1990
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- Marine Conservation (Marine Parks) Regulations (2007 Revision)
- Restricted Marine Areas (Designation) Regulations
- Marine Conservation Directives (2003 Revision)
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- Marine Conservations Turtle Protection Regulations, 2008
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- Marriage Law (2009 Revision)
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- Misuse of Drugs (Drug Trafficking Offences) (Designated Countries) (Amendment) Order, 1998
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- Motor Vehicles Insurance (Third Party Risks) Law (2007 Revision)
- Motor Vehicles Insurance (Third Party Risks) Regulation (1997 Revision)
- Music and Dancing (Control) Law (1995 Revision)
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- Mutual Funds Law (2009 Revision)
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- Penal Code Law (2007 Revision)
- Prohibited Publications Order (1998 Revision)
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- Police Law (2010 Revision)
- Police Regulations (1996 Revision)
- Police (Emergency Powers) Regulations, 2004
- Port Authority Law (1999 Revision)
- Port Regulations (2008 Revision)
- Proceed of Crime Law (Commencement) Order, 2008
- Money Laundering (Client Identification (Extension of Period) 2002
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- Money Laundering Regulations (2009 Revision)
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- Public Management and Financial Regulations (2008 revision)
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- Public Service Management Law, 2007
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- Rehabilitation of Offenders Law (1998 Revision)
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- Trade and Business Licensing Regulations (1999 Revision)
- Traffic Law (2003 Revision)
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- Traffic (Radar Speedometer) Regulations, 2001
- Traffic (Public Transport Appeals Tribunal) Regulations 2004
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- Traffic (Amendment) Law, 2005
- Traffic (Amendment) Law, 2006
- Youth Justice Law (2005 Revision)
- Youth (Detention Facility) Order, 2003
- Youth Rehabilitation Schools Notice, 2004

- Youth Rehabilitation Schools 1996
- Youth (Detention Facility) Order 1996
- Other local laws and Regulations

#### **Corporate management**

- Strategic Plan 2010 2013
- Hurricane Contingency Plan 2010
  - Security & Law Enforcement
  - Mass Fatality,
  - o Search & Rescue
  - o Business Continuity
  - o Logistics/Resources/Welfare,
  - o Communications, Equipment, Transportation
  - Special Constabulary Volunteers,
- Liaison NHC Evacuation
- Inspection Lock Up
- Performance evaluations
- Statistics Link: http://www.rcips.ky/crime\_statistics.htm

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

#### Financial management

- Finance & Administration
- Annual budget
- Payroll
- Receivables & payables
- Bail bond

# **Administration**

- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Training and safety

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- Annual cost of maintenance of RCIPS' vehicles
- Stores
- Data base of RCIPS' vehicles
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- Information for local applicants (Police clearance/records)
- Information for overseas applicants (Police clearance/records)
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- Health & Safety Policy
- Police Requisition Policy
- Ride a Long Policy
- Media Relations Policy
- Command on call Policy
- Take Home Vehicle Policy and Procedures
- Policy on the Disposal of Evidence and Property in Police Custody
- Issue and Control of Police Radios & Related Equipment Policy
- Corporate Branding & Style Guide
- Letter Writing Policy
- RCIPS Policy on the Acceptance of Hospitality & Gifts
- Media Relations Policy
- RCIPS E-mail Policy
- Senior Constable Policy
- Sexual Harassment Policy
- High Risk Incident Response
- Use of Force Policy & Procedures
- Policy Guidance on Fatal Road Collision Investigations
- Policy Guidance on Critical and Major Incidents
- Missing Person Policy
- Cell Block Policy & Procedures
- Investigation of Police Involved in Lethal Incidents & Aftercare of Officers Involved in Traumatic Incidents
- Prisoner Handcuffing, Search & Transport Policy & Procedures
- Prisoner Handling Policy & Procedures
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- Strategic Meetings
- Resource Meetings
- Diversity Meetings
- Commanders/tasking & Co-coordinating Meetings

- Firearms Strategy Group
- Hurricane Meetings
- Minutes of Meetings
- Firearm Licenses
- Security Licenses
- Welfare Meetings

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- List of firearm users (not available to the public)
- List of security guards & security companies \* (names of companies & security
- quards are not available to the public)
- List of RCIPS' vehicles \* (registration numbers are not available to the public)
- List of marine assets \*
- FOI disclosure log: can be found at htt://www.rcips.ky/foi\_desclosure\_log.htm

#### **OUR SERVICES**

The Royal Cayman Islands Police Service serves all three of the Cayman Islands, namely, Grand Cayman, Cayman Brac and Little Cayman.

The RCIPS is divided into five Basic Command Units (BCUs) consisting of seven police stations located throughout the Islands. Each BCU is headed by a Chief Inspector who Deploys officers as necessary. Officers working on shifts with each managed by an Inspector or a Sergeant who oversees the activities of the shift until it is handed over.

As outlined in our objective, the purpose of the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service is to uphold the law fairly and firmly; to prevent and detect crime; to pursue and bring to justice those who break the law; to keep the peace and to protect, help and reassure the community with integrity, sound judgment and common sense.

The RCIPS works closely with other agencies both locally and internationally and uses an information management system to log crimes and intelligence in conjunction with various other overseas jurisdictions, including: Anguilla, BVI, Turks and Caicos.

Available on our website: http://www.rcips.ky

# General Forms \*

- RCIPS Job Application Form
- Special Constable Application Form
- Work Experience Application Form (summer jobs)
- Ride-a-Long Forms (re: work experience students)
- Complaints Report Form
- Police Clearance Application
- Police Report Application
- Security Guard Application Form

<sup>\*</sup> Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

- Security Technician Form
- Security Business Application Form
- Firearm Application forms
- Firearms Renewal Forms
- Curfew exemption forms
- Bail Bond Forms
- Freedom of Information

Documents can be obtained by writing or calling our Information Manager or his Designate at the below addresses between the hours of 8:30 am and 5:00 pm Monday to Friday.

# **Information Manager**

Mr. Raymond Christian Information Manager RCIPS Head Quarters P.O. Box 909

Grand Cayman KY1-1103 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Direct Line: 244-2905 Mobile: 526-2538

Email: Raymond.christian@gov.ky, or

Foi.pol@gov.ky

Website: http://www.rcips.ky

# **Designate (temporary)**

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# ELECTIONS OFFICE OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS Publication Scheme

# Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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## 1. About the Publication Scheme

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The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

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#### The **ELECTIONS OFFICE** will:

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- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;

- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The **ELECTIONS OFFICE** will generally <u>not</u> publish:

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- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted<sup>1</sup> form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

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If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

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# 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at <a href="http://www.electionsoffice.ky">http://www.electionsoffice.ky</a>. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact us at the Smith Road Centre, 150 Smith Road 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Contact number: (345) 949-8047.

# *≽ Email*

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at <a href="mailto:ELECTIONSOFFICE@CANDW.KY">ELECTIONSOFFICE@CANDW.KY</a> to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

# > Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call *(345) 949-8047* to request information.

## > Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

#### P.O. BOX 10120

#### **GRAND CAYMAN KY1-1001**

#### **CAYMAN ISLANDS**

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

# Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### > Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact (345) 949-8047.

The **ELECTIONS OFFICE** will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the *ELECTIONS OFFICE* is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

#### 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The *ELECTIONS OFFICE* strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications which the *ELECTIONS OFFICE* offers for sale. This includes: *OFFICIAL REGISTER OF ELECTORS:* 

GEORGE TOWN, WEST BAY, BODDEN TOWN – CI \$30.00 EACH
NORTH SIDE, EAST END, CAYMAN BRAC & LITTLE CAYMAN - CI \$20.00 EACH

These publications are available in both print and electronic media at the same cost.

## > Reproduction costs

There are no reproduction fees as we only make copies of the original documents handed to us (e.g., Birth certificates, Status certificates, and Naturalization certificates), to be kept on file for official use only.

#### Postage costs

There are no postage fees because all documents or hard copies are picked up, and not mailed out.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the *ELECTIONS OFFICE* that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested through the *FOI Manager* at <u>foi.pie@gov.ky</u> or (345) 949-8047. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

# 6. Complaints

The **ELECTIONS OFFICE** aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Office Manager or the Receptionist at (345) 949-8047 or e-mail electionsoffice@candw.ky, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from <a href="http://www.electionsoffice.ky">http://www.electionsoffice.ky</a>.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: <u>appeals @ico.gov.ky</u>

#### 7. Categories of information

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- Strategic Management
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- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

# **ABOUT US**

#### **ELECTIONS OFFICE**

## **Ministry**

PORTFOLIO OF INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

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   <u>ELECTIONSOFFICE@CANDW.KY</u>
   (345) 949-8047
- ♣ TOSCA CONNOR, OFFICE MANAGER <u>ELECTIONSOFFICE @CANDW.KY</u> (345) 949-8047
- ◆ DENNELLIA STEWART, RECEPTIONIST & I.D. TECHNICIAN

  <u>DENNELLIA @ELECTIONS.KY</u>

  (345) 949-8047

#### **Information Manager**

KEARNEY S. GOMEZ, SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS foi.pie@gov.ky or (345) 949-8047

# **Organisation and Functions**

# The vision of the Elections Office of the Cayman Islands is:

To be recognized by the electorate and by politicians as an organisation dedicated to serving the people of the Cayman Islands through free and fair elections with integrity, impartiality, fear or favour: And which activity encourages Caymanians to fully understand and to participate in the electoral process.

# The functions of the Elections Office of the Cayman Islands are:

- Administering the electoral legislation of the Cayman Islands;
- · Conducting all general and by-elections;

- Maintaining an accurate, complete and permanent registration system along with elector registration cards;
- Promoting public awareness of electoral and constitutional matters;
- Conducting and promoting research into electoral matters and its functions generally;
- Publishing material in a timely manner on matters that relate to elections or any part of the elections programme;
- Providing information and advice on electoral matters to the Legislative Assembly through the Chief Secretary;
- Reporting to the Governor and Chief Secretary on electoral matters.

P.O. BOX 10120 GRAND CAYMAN KY1-1001 CAYMAN ISLANDS

(345) 949-8047

(345) 946-2977 (TEMPORARY)

# **ELECTIONSOFFICE @CANDW.KY**

# http://www.electionsoffice.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
ELECTIONS OFFICE SMITH ROAD CENTRE 150 SMITH ROAD, 2 <sup>ND</sup> FLOOR GEORGE TOWN Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m5:00 p.m.	Hold the General Elections every 4 years, and the By Elections and Referendum as required Produce 4 Official Register of Electors each year Produce Electors I.D Cards

# Frequently asked questions:

#### 1) Where and how do I vote?

There are 17 polling divisions situated throughout the six electoral districts. Once you register to vote and provide your street address the Elections Office will assign you to a polling division. On Election Day you will have to attend this assigned polling division and you will be directed to your polling station. The presiding officer, after you have shown your Elector Registration card or otherwise identified yourself, will provide you with a ballot paper. You will be instructed on election voting procedures. You will then enter a poll booth and mark your ballot paper by putting an X to the right of the candidate or candidates' names that you are voting for. In the case of

- North Side you can vote for 1 candidate only
- East End you can vote for 1 candidate only
- Cayman Brac & Little Cayman you may vote for up to 2 candidates
- Bodden Town you may vote for up to 3 candidates
- West Bay you may vote for up to 4 candidates
- George Town you may vote for up to 4 candidates

You must hand your ballot paper to the presiding officer who will then detach the counterfoil and return the ballot paper to you for you to deposit it into the ballot box. After doing so, you will then leave the polling station through the referendum station.

The referendum voting process is similar to the election process, however, in all electoral districts you may vote for 1 answer only by placing an X.

#### 2) Do I need any form of identification when I show up to vote?

 Yes. The preferred form of identification will be the Cayman Islands elector registration card. Other forms of Identification such as Drivers License or Passport will also be accepted.

#### 3) What time do the polls open and close?

The polls in all 6 electoral districts open promptly at 7:00 A.M. and close at 6:00 P.M.

# 4) Can I vote if I will be off-island on Election Day?

 The Elections Law provides that if you are off-island for any reason whatsoever you may apply for a postal ballot using Form B. Postal ballots will only be issued after Nomination day.

#### To view more FAQ's, insert the link below:

http://www.electionsoffice.ky/cms/faq/38-elections-frequently-askedquestions

# **HISTORY**

A History of Elections in the Cayman Islands

http://www.electionsoffice.ky/cms/index.php/general-information/62-a-brief-history-of-elections-in-the-cayman-islands?format=pdf

# **STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT**

This category applies to the governance and management of the department.

#### Governance

Organisation chart

http://www.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/CIGHOME/GOVERNMENT/ORGANISATIONCHART/GISORGANIZATIONALCHARTJULY1 2009.PDF

- Elections Law (2004 Revision)
- Freedom of Information Law, 2007 (Law 10 of 2007)
- National Archive and Public Records Law, 2007
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- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)

# **Corporate Management**

Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs

# FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

This category applies to internal support functions within the Department, relating to finance, personnel and business administration.

Approved Budget FY09/10 <u>foi.pie@gov.ky</u>

# Administration

Press Releases see <a href="http://www.electionsoffice.ky">http://www.electionsoffice.ky</a>
 Job Vacancies see <a href="http://www.electionsoffice.ky">www.recruitment.gov.ky</a>
 Staff Pay see <a href="http://www.electionsoffice.ky">www.recruitment.gov.ky</a>

# POLICIES & PROCEDURES

- See Elections Law (2004 Revision)
- Constitution of the Cayman Islands

# **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Supervisor of Elections
- Elections Law (2004 Revision)

# **LISTS & REGISTERS**

Official Register of Electors – quarterly basis (1<sup>st</sup> of January, April, July and October)

Viewed at all Post Offices in the 6 electoral districts

Accessed on http://www.electionsoffice.ky

# Register of Political Parties

http://www.electionsoffice.ky/cms/index.php/general-information/63-register-of-political-parties

# **OUR SERVICES**

Our services include registering qualified voters and to provide them with the necessary forms and information to vote.

#### **Elections Office Forms**

http://www.electionsoffice.ky/cms/index.php/election-office-forms?format=pdf



# **Department of Community Rehabilitation**

# **Publication Scheme**

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If there is no link, or the link is broken, and you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please email us at foi.dcr@gov.ky or by contacting any member of the Management Team listed below:

- Director, Teresa Echenique Bowen teresa.echenique-bowen @gov.ky
- Senior Probation Officer (Court Services), Sonia Wallace sonia.wallace@gov.ky
- Senior Probation Officer (Through/After Care), Lisa Malice lisa.hill-malice@gov.ky
- Administrative Manager, Evalee McField evalee.mcfield@gov.ky

All key staff indicated above can be contacted by the indicated email, at (345) 949 1693 or by visiting the main office at #19 Cayman Centre – across from the Airport Post Office, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

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- Senior Probation Officer (Court Services), Sonia Wallace sonia.wallace@gov.ky
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You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

#### 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
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#### **ABOUT US**

## Name of public authority

Department of Community Rehabilitation

#### <u>Ministry</u>

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# **Information manager**

Evalee McField - Information Manager: evalee.mcfield@gov.ky

Michelle Spence – Information Manager Designate: michelle.spence@gov.ky

Contact can also be sent to foi.dcr@gov.ky

Include a link to the Freedom of Information website www.foi.gov.ky

#### **Organisation and functions**

#### General Nature of Activities

A significant focus of the Department of Community Rehabilitation is to supervise and assist adult offenders to be more productive citizens, which will contribute towards reducing the level of offending behaviours and promoting public safety. This is accomplished through various activities and services as well as from a collaborative approach.

# Scope of Activities

The Department's scope of activities includes but is not limited to the following:

- Preparation of Reports to assist the Courts and Parole Board with the disposal of case
- Educate and Rehabilitate offenders through Individual and Group Sessions/Counseling.
- Supervision of adult offenders in the Community
- Provide public awareness on the Department's role and responsibilities to assist with the re-integration of offenders into the general community
- Initiate serves from other agencies and maintain a collaborative approach to ensure that the client's needs are met
- Advocate for new rehabilitative and preventative services
- To play an active role in the revision or implementation of new or existing laws

# Customers and Location of Activities

The Department of Community Rehabilitation main clientele are offenders. However, services to offenders can not be done independently and therefore support and services are inevitably provided to persons directly connected with the offenders.

Services are provided throughout the Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac community and when necessary to Little Cayman. Theses services are independent as well as in conjunctions with various other agencies.

#### Vision:

To support a Safe and Secure country for Residents and Visitors.

#### Mission:

The Department of Community Rehabilitation is committed to the Rehabilitative mandate of the Court and Parole Board through:

- Social work intervention,
- Quality Supervision
- Innovative Programmes (and)
- Treatment Plans

To assist our clients to be more Productive citizen while reducing the level of offending behaviours and promoting public Safety.

#### Overall Goal:

Assist offenders to function in the community without involving themselves in further criminal activities.

Location and hours	Matters handled
Grand Cayman 19 Cayman Center Airport Road, George Town Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (345) 949-1693 Office (345) 949-2838 Fax	Persons referred to DCR by the Courts, Parole Board or other relevant agency should come to DCR locations in Grand Cayman or Cayman Brac for:  • supervision / monitoring • group participation • interviews for the preparation of Court Reports • or as outlined by the referring agency.

Cayman Brac
277 West End
(345) 948-1521 Office
(345)948-1528 Fax

Regular Office Hours at both locations are 8:30am – 5:00pm; however, individual appointments and group meetings outside of these hours are at the discretion of staff members and or based on DCR schedule.

\*\* A website is currently under construction and available to the public in the near future.\*\*\*

## Frequently asked questions

- Question: Does DCR work with Juveniles and children?
- Answer: No. DCR main clientele are adults 17 and older.
- Question: Is DCR responsible to supervise all persons released from Prison?
- Answer: No. DCR only supervises persons released from Prison on Parole Licences.
- Question: Does DCR have the final say with regards to persons being placed on Court Orders or Parole Licences?
- Answer: No. When requested DCR will provide reports which will assist with the decision making process, but at no time does DCR makes sentencing or release decisions.
- Question: Is DCR responsible to Recall an individual back to Prison.
- Answer: No. DCR is responsible to report non-compliance actions to: the Secretary of the Parole Board regarding persons on Parole Licences and the Courts on persons on certain Court Orders. However, the outcome of their matters is not DCR responsibility.
- Question: Can only offenders attend Groups provided by DCR. Answer: No. DCR is willing to consider any person for group based on suitability. Contact can be made with a Senior Probation Officer to get details.
- Question: Is there a cost for DCR services?
- Answer: No. At this time, all services provided through DCR are free of cost.
- Question: Is DCR services available to the Sister Islands?
- Answer: Yes. DCR has an office located in Cayman Brac to accommodate services for the Sister Islands.

#### **Brief History Overview**

- o Probation services was established in the early 60's under Social Services
- In 1998, a Probation and Aftercare Unit (PAU) was established with specific force on adult offenders
- In 2003, PAU was separated from Social Services and appointed as an independent entity
- o In 2006 approval was given to change the Unit to a Department
- At the end of 2007 approval was given for the name change from Department of Probation and Aftercare to Department of Community Rehabilitation

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The following reports/documents are available for public review. However, as the Department of Community Rehabilitation's website is under construction, request for these documents may be made by contacting Evalee McField @ evalee.mcfield@gov.ky or Michelle Spence @ michelle.spence@gov.ky or by calling (345) 949 1693.

#### Governance

Organizational Chart

# **Corporate management**

- Annual reports
- Statistics (Quarterly and Annually)

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

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## Financial management

- Annual budget
- Financial statements

#### Administration

- Press releases
- Job vacancies
- Staff structures

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Policies and Procedures of the **Department of Community Rehabilitation** are guided by the instructions of the Courts, Parole Board and/or relevant laws.

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Despite the **Department of Community Rehabilitation** responsibility to provide Social Inquiry Reports and Breach Reports to the Courts and Home Background Reports and Non-compliance Reports to the Parole Board, final decisions or outcome of cases are not at the control of the **Department of Community Rehabilitation**.

# **OUR SERVICES**

In addition to the individual services provide by the Department of Community Rehabilitation, the following group services are also provided:

- Anger Management
- Domestic Violence (perpetrator)
- Stress Management
- Time to Change
- Parole Support Group
- Healthy Relationships
- Victim Services
- Information booklets are readily available in the waiting area of the Department of Community Rehabilitation office or at your request should you visit us at #19 Cayman Centre - Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.
- On completion of the website, this information will be available online as well.

# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

The Department of Community Rehabilitation is a growing organization with high demands and therefore continues to grow in staff complement. Probation Officers and Probation Officer Graduates are all require to have at least a Bachelors Degree in Social Work, Criminal Justice or like fields to hold such post.

Information on vacancies can be viewed at www.recruitment.gov.ky

# The Commissions Secretariat Publication Scheme Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice

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Deborah Bodden Manager, Commissions Secretariat P.O. Box 391 Grand Cayman KY1-1106

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# **Ministry**

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## **Information Manager**

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www.foi.gov.ky

# **Organisation and functions**

Location and hours	Matters handled
The Commissions Secretariat is located on the 2nd Floor of the Smith Road Centre and is open from 8:30am-5:00pm Monday through Friday. Phone: 244-3685; Fax: 945-8649; E-mail: foi.cos@gov.ky.	The purpose of the Commissions Secretariat is to provide analytical and administrative support to four new commissions created under the 2009 Constitution. These are the Constitutional Commission, the Human Rights Commission, the Commission for Standards in Public Life, and the Judicial and Legal Services Commission.

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The Human Rights Commission  Mr. Richard Coles (Chair) Miss Sara Collins Mrs. Cathy Frazier Reverend Nicholas Sykes Mr. Alistair Walters	Closed meetings are held once per month or on as needed basis.	www.humanrightscommission.ky
The Commission for Standards in Public Life  Mrs. Karin Thompson (Chair) Mr. Roy McTaggart Pastor Winston Rose Mrs. Nyda-Mae Flatley Mr. Hedley Robinson	Closed meetings are held once per month or on as needed basis.	Make a request in writing.
The Judicial and Legal Services Commission Dan Scott (Chairman) Dara Flowers-Burke Sir John Chadwick Richard Coles Richard Ground, OBE Charles Jennings Sir David Simmons Justice Edward Zacca, JA, OJ	Closed meetings are held once per quarter or on as needed basis.	Unavailable for publication/distribution.

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# **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

# Financial management



Annual budget

http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1593653&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL



# **Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands**

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http://www.caacayman.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1901,4508198&\_dad=portal&\_schema=POR TAL

If you want to request information from the Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands, you should initially look at the document library and the disclosure log to see if the information you seek has already been published.

If you wish to make a request for information then you should contact the Information Manager or submit a request on-line at the FOI Unit website.

Requests must be in writing (letter, email or facsimile) and must include your name and an address (either postal or e-mail). Please be as specific as possible about the information you would like, as this will help us to respond promptly. Where possible, please include a contact telephone number so we can call to discuss your request if necessary.

We will respond to your request promptly. The Law requires public authorities to respond within 30 calendar days, allowing an extension of an additional 30 calendar days if needed. We will always acknowledge receipt of FOI requests made to the Information Manager and we will let you know if we need to extend the deadline. For detailed advice on what sorts of information is exempt please see the FOI Unit website.

By letter:
Yvonne Gray-Tomlinson
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Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands
PO Box 10277
Grand Cayman KY1-1003
Cayman Islands

Email: foi@caacayman.com

Fax: 345-949-0761

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## Name of public authority

CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

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# **Organisation and Functions**

The **CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS** is the statutory organization whose responsibility it is to provide technical and economic regulatory oversight for the Cayman Islands' aviation industry. As such our strategic Vision and Mission statements are as follows:-

# **VISION**

Ensuring aviation safety through regulatory excellence

#### **MISSION**

To provide sustainable regulatory procedures to meet international standards. Through committed partnerships, the CAACI will ensure the safety of persons and property.

#### **Mailing Address**

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Location and hours	Matters handled
CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE	Air Safety Regulations
CAYMAN ISLANDS,	Personnel Licensing
Unit 2 Cayman Grand Harbour	Flight Operations Inspections
	Airworthiness Inspections
	Air Navigation Regulations
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Open Hours	Commercial Affairs Regulation and
Monday – Friday	Administration
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·	Economic Regulations
	Finance and Compliance

#### **Boards and Committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Board of Directors Sheridan Brooks-Hurst- Chairman Kirkland Nixon - Vice Chair Christopher Bodden Morris Garcia William McTaggart	This board meets as needed with a minimum of six meetings per annum.	Hard copies can be requested please refer to section 3: Methods of access

# **Frequently asked Questions and Answers**

# **Air Navigation Services**

# Q. Can you explain the restrictions required for building in the vicinity of Owen Roberts airport?

A. The Cayman Islands Airport Authority has the jurisdiction over the legislation development and control pertaining to obstacles affecting Owen Roberts and Gerrard Smith Airports. The contact for this guidance is the Senior Manager Air Navigation Services, Cayman Islands Airports Authority, P.O.Box.10098, Grand Cayman KY1-1001, Tel: 345 943-7070

# Q. What is required in obtaining an approval for a fireworks or lazer light display?

A. This process is explained in the CAA web link located to <u>Air Traffic Services</u> / *Airspace*.

# Q. When should I be submitting a Mandatory Occurrence Report and how should I be making the report?

A. This process is explained in the Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands (CAACI) web link Mandatory Occurrence Reporting.

#### Q. What organization is responsible for operation of the country's airports?

A. The Cayman Islands Airports Authority (CIAA) and P.O.Box.10098, Grand Cayman KY1-1001, Tel: 345 943-7070

# Q. What organization can assist with the filing of a Cuban over-flight permit?

A. The Cayman Islands Airports Authority's Air Traffic Control/Aeronautical Information Services - aisoria@caymanairports.com

#### Q. What organization publishes the Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP)?

A. The Cayman Islands Airports Authority's Air Traffic Control/Aeronautical Information Services - aisoria@caymanairports.com

#### **Operating Permits**

# Q. Do I need an operating permit to fly an owner operated private plane into the Cayman Islands

A. No – all foreign registered aircraft operating into the territory for valuable consideration (given or promised) must have an appropriate operating permit (scheduled or non-scheduled).

#### **Aircraft Registry**

## Q. Can a specific registration mark be reserved?

A. Yes, if it is available, at an additional cost of CI\$200.00.

## Q. What is the validity period of a Priority Notice?

A. 14 calendar days and then it must be refilled.

# Q. Who is eligible to receive "Acceptance of Maintenance Arrangements" Approval?

A. Any maintenance facility that has received acceptance/approval from the following: FAA 145 Repair Station Approval, JAA/EASA 145 Maintenance Approval and, Transport Canada CAR 573 Approved Maintenance Organization.

#### Q. Who is eligible for the grant of an OTAR 145 Approved Maintenance Organization?

A. All of the organizations listed in the previous question.

#### Q. What is the validity period for a Certificate of Airworthiness?

A. Certificate of Airworthiness is valid for one year and may be renewed up to 60 days prior to expiry and still retain the original anniversary date.

# Pilot Licensing/Validations

#### Q. Where do you find a pilots license application?

A. Follow the attached link or this can be obtained on our website www.caacayman.com http://www.caacayman.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1901,4677016&\_dad=portal&\_schema=POR TAL

#### Q. Where do you find a validation applications?

A. Same as above

## Q. D you accept emailed for faxed copies of pilot validation application documentation?

A. No, the originals must be sent to the CAACI offices

# Q. How long does it take to process an application for pilots license/validation?

A. Up to 15 days

# Q. Do you have to have a rating on the aircraft being validated for?

A. Yes

#### Q. What is the cost of a validation?

A. CI\$250.00 or US\$ 304.87

#### Q. Can the validation be mailed to my home address?

A. No, it must be sent to the aircraft owner

## **Finance**

# Q. What is the conversion rate of CI\$ to US\$ for your invoices?

A. US\$1 = .82CI\$

#### Q. When are payments due?

A. Within 30 days of the invoice date

## Q. What should be listed as reference when paying by wire transfer?

A. Aircraft registration mark and invoice #'s being paid

#### Q. What forms of payment are accepted?

A. The following methods of payment can be accepted by CAA Cayman islands:

- Banker's draft, cashier's cheque, money order or cheque drawn on a local Cayman Islands bank in United States or Cayman Islands currency (Mail to postal address below)
- Visa/Master Card credit card please complete the Credit Card Authorization Form and fax to - 1 (345)949-0761 or sign and scan/email to accounts@caacayman.com
- Wire transfer in US\$ to:

Bank: Citibank, N. A., 111 Wall St., New York, NY 10043, USA

Swift Code: Citius33 ABA#: 021000089

Credit: Cayman National Bank Ltd.

US\$ Account #: 36148883

Further Credit: Civil Aviation Authority

US\$ Account #: 021-02353

Reference: Invoice #'s. Customer ID

For questions regarding payment methods and fees contact the Accounting

department.

accounts@caacayman.com

Telephone: 1 345 949-7811

Fax: 1 345 949-0761

## Postal Address for regular mail:

Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands P.O. Box 10277 Grand Cayman, KY1-1003 CAYMAN ISLANDS

#### Street Address for express mail:

Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands Unit #2 - Cayman Grand Harbour Complex Shamrock Rd. George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-1003 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Phone: 345-949-7811

Please note that the client or person making the payment is responsible for all intermediary bank charges which are incurred in the wiring or other transmission of funds to the Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands. Thus the amount transmitted will need to include such charges so that the net payment which we receive is the same as the invoiced amount. Please be aware of transfer charges of all banks in advance so that sufficient funds can be wired. Any shortfalls will remain on the customer's account for further settlement.

A copy of the wiring instructions must be sent to Civil Aviation Authority of Cayman Islands, either by fax (Fax No. +(1 345) 949 0761 - attention Accounts Department) or by e-mail to accounts@caacayman.com.

This information can also be access on the link below

http://www.caacayman.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1901,4508278&\_dad=portal&\_schema=POR TAL

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The role of the CAACI is primarily to function as the regulatory body responsible for technical and economic regulation of the aviation industry throughout the territory and to ensure that the Cayman Islands aviation industry conforms to the standards and recommended practices of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

The primary activities of the CAACI will be as follows:

# a) Technical regulation

- Registration of aircraft;
- Issuance, renewal, cancellation, revocation and variation of certificates of airworthiness of aircraft;
- Validation of personnel licenses (crews and maintenance associated with the aircraft registry)
- Safety oversight for the local Air Operator Certificate (AOC) holders;
- Certification of aerodromes

## b) Economic Regulation

- Grant of air transport permits and operating licenses for scheduled and non-scheduled foreign carriers;
- Regulation of charges levied by airport operators with a view to creating equality and not exploiting a monopoly position;
- Provide advise to the C I Government as it pertains to bi-lateral negotiations with other countries and liaise with the UK DfT and participate in the negotiation of air service agreements with other countries;
- Provide advice to the Air Transport Licensing Authority (ATLA) as it pertains to licensing of local carriers:
- Provide advice for effective implementation of regulatory policy that is in the best interest of the travelling public/end user.

#### Governance

The Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands is governed by the following Laws which can be found on the links below.

Air Navigation (Overseas Territories) Order 2007: <a href="http://www.airsafety.aero/legislation">http://www.airsafety.aero/legislation</a> and otar s/

Civil Aviation Authority Law (2005 Revision): Available at the Legislative Assembly

Air Navigation Fees 2007:

http://www.caacayman.com/pls/portal/url/item/6D0AB254E3E96588E04008030B0A9982

## FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

This category applies to internal support functions within the Authority, relating to finance, personnel and business administration.

#### **Financial Management**

Copies of financial records can be obtained upon requested in writing from the Information Manager.

#### Administration

- → Press Releases
- → Job Vacancies

# POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Please click on the link below to access this information http://www.caacayman.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1901,4508208&\_dad=portal&\_schema=POR TAL

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Copies of the Minutes of the Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands Boards meetings can be obtained upon request in writing from the Information Manager.

#### LISTS & REGISTERS

The information held by the Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands are list of Aircraft registered in the Cayman Islands and Approved Aircraft Operating Permits which can be accessed through the link below.

FOI: Document Library (this is where the Aircraft Registry listing will be published work in progress)

http://www.caacayman.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1901,4508183&\_dad=portal&\_schema=POR TAL

#### **OUR SERVICES**

This category provides information relating to services offered and activities carried out by the authority, to fulfil its high-level functions and responsibilities. The role of the CAACI is primarily to function as the regulatory organization responsible for safety oversight and economic regulation of the aviation industry throughout the territory and to ensure that the Cayman Islands aviation industry conforms to the standards and recommended practices of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). A complete list can be found on the following link:

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# **Publication Schemes**

# Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Portfolio of Legal Affairs to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Portfolio of Legal Affairs will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below:
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

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- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Portfolio of Legal Affairs will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Portfolio of Legal Affairs, or which has been disposed
  of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply;
- Court Cases;
- Advice given to clients;
- International Matters.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Portfolio of Legal Affair's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

## <u>Online</u>

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact:

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Grand Cayman – KY1-1103
Cayman Islands
Tel: 345-949-7712

Fax: 345-949-7183 E-mail: foi.plg@gov.ky

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.plg@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

# **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call 345-949-7712 to request information.

#### <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

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In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

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# 4. Fees and charges

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Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

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If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Portfolio of Legal Affairs has received your payment.

Where access is granted to a record and the record is to be inspected on the premises of the public authority no fee is payable.

Before access is given to a record the information manager shall give the applicant an estimate of the fees, and the fees shall be paid before access is granted, except fees for reproduction, which may be paid at the time of collecting the information.

Payment may be made by such method as the public authority may specify and for this purpose the public authority may specify payment by cash, cheque money order of electronic bank card.

No fee shall be charged where the chief officer or information manager is of the view that the applicant is of inadequate means or for any other good reason.

An application for a waiver shall be made in writing to the chief officer or information officer setting out the grounds on which a waiver is requested.

An application for a waiver shall be made no later than fourteen calendar days from the date of receipt of the estimate of the fees.

Copies of documents may be made available in non-standard formats, at a price to be determined by the public authority, not exceeding the actual material and labour costs incurred to produce the copy.

# 1. Photocopy:

- a) Black and white copy (all sizes) \$1.00 per page;
- b) Color copy (all sizes) \$1.50 per page.

#### 2. Photographs:

- Black and white / colour (digital photographic print from digital file, scanned hardcopy or existing negative);
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  - (ii) (ii) 8 ½ x 14 \$7.50;
  - (iii) 11 x 17 \$10.00;
- b) Black and white (photocopy or standard print-out) \$1.00;
- c) Colour (photocopy or standard print-out) \$1.50.
- 3. Conversion of an analogue audio or video record (e.g. tape or reel-to-reel) into digital MP3 or DivX file format: an amount that does not exceed the actual costs incurred by the authority, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the conversion, plus the purchase cost of any carrier medium (compact disc or DVD).
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- 5. Transcripts an amount that does not exceed the actual costs incurred by the authority, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the transcription.
- Conversion of a microfilm record into digital JPEG file format: an amount that does
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  undertaking the conversion, plus the purchase cost of any carrier medium (compact
  disc or DVD).
- 7. Blue print reproduction (\$3.00 per sheet).
- 8. Maps and plans (\$5.00 per page).
- 9. Print-out of a digital document or database report Black and White copy (all sizes) \$1.00 per page.
- 10. Provision of a digital record (text or image) in standard PDF, JPEG or TIF file format: (a) by email -no charge; (b) on compact disc or DVD \$2.00.
- 11. Conversion of a paper record (text or image) into digital PDF, JPEG or TIF file format: the actual costs incurred by the authority, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the conversion, plus the purchase cost of any carrier medium (compact disc or DVD).
- 12. Digital text files converted to audio formats for visually impaired the actual costs incurred by the Computer Services Department, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the conversion, plus the purchase cost of any carrier medium.
- 13. Posting of record: Where access to the record to which the request relates is to be given in the form of the provision of a copy of the record and the copy provided is, at the request of the applicant, to be sent by post or courier, a charge in respect of the posting or delivery of the copy not exceeding the actual cost of post or delivery.
- 14. Shipping cost (actual cost of shipping method chosen by applicant and a preparation charge of \$20.00).

#### 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Portfolio of Legal Affairs that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing and sent via e-mail, facsimile or post. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law if the request falls within the purview of the Law. To make a request in writing please send your written application to:

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Alternatively you may write to the Chief Officer of the Portfolio of Legal Affairs at:

Chief Officer Portfolio of Legal Affairs P.O. Box 907 Grand Cayman – KY1-1103 Cayman Islands Tel: 345-949-7712

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email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

All other complaints should be sent to the Human Resources Manager at the following address:

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Fax: 345-949-7183

Email – Angella.bent-thomas@gov.ky

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#### **ABOUT US**

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- Attorney General's Chambers
- Office of the Solicitor General including Legal Department
- Legislative Drafting
- Law Reform Commission
- Law Revision Commission
- Financial Reporting Authority
- Law School

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Honourable Attorney General Samuel Bulgin, QC, JP, MLA

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Mr. John Regan - Chief Financial Officer

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Mrs. Myrtle Brandt - First Legislative Counsel

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Ms. Cheryl Ann Neblett - Senior Legislative Counsel & Law Reform Administrator

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Mr. Stephen Miller – Law Revision Commissioner

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Mr. Mitchell Davies – Director of Legal Studies

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#### **Organisation and functions**

## **Attorney General's Chambers**

Many of the responsibilities of the Office have been assumed by practice and convention, and have become part of the common law of the Cayman Islands. As well as constitutional authority and other customary responsibilities, specific statutes also give particular powers to the Attorney General. However, briefly stated, the Attorney General's role and function entail the following:

- Ex-officio member of the Legislative Assembly, where he is the spokesperson for all legal matters, and for the Chief Justice on behalf of the Judiciary;
- Ex-officio head of the Legal Profession and advisor to all departments of government, including Legal Affairs, and advisor on the observance of Human Rights;
- Chairman of the Anti-Money Laundering Steering Group which is a statutory agency charged with responsibility of the oversight of government's anti-money laundering policies;
- Member of the Grand Court Rules Committee and the Legal Advisory Council;

- Overall responsibility for law reform;
- Member of Legal Advisory Council wherein he assists with implementing the Professional Practice Course, employment of Article Clerks and the compulsory legal system and skills course in the Law School curriculum; and
- Central Authority under Criminal Justice International Cooperation Law for the Cayman Islands and assists the Chief Justice who is the Central Authority under the Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty.

# **Chief Financial Officer**

The Office of the Chief Financial Officer also falls under the Attorney General's Chambers. The Chief Financial Officer is responsible to the chief officers for the financial and budgetary management of the Portfolio of Legal Affairs. The financial management initiative which was implemented in 1999 moved the cash based system to an accrual budgeting and reporting system.

## Office of the Solicitor General including Legal Department

In 1990, the post of Solicitor General of the Cayman Islands was created specifically to support the Attorney General in the daily management of the Legal Department, and to take over certain statutory responsibilities associated with cases concerning minors and persons under disability, amongst others. The Solicitor General is also appointed to act as Attorney General in his absence from the Islands or during periods of disability or unavailability. The principal function of the Office of Solicitor General includes:

- Day-to-day management of the Legal Department;
- Chief Officer of the Portfolio of Legal Affairs;
- Prosecution of more serious criminal cases as well as appearances on behalf of the Attorney General and other bodies in important civil cases;
- Acting for the Attorney General during his absence, including attending Cabinet and the Legislative Assembly; and,
- Guardian ad litem for persons under disability under Grand Court Rules.

The holder of the Office of Solicitor General is also the designated Chief Officer of the Legal Portfolio for the purposes of the Public Management and Finance Law (2003 Revision) and the performance of departments within the portfolio.

# **Legislative Drafting**

The Legislative Drafting Department provides legislative drafting support to the Government by researching, analysing and drafting both primary a subordinate legislation to complement the implementation of Government policies.

The Department is responsible to the Attorney-General and through him to the Governor, for the provision of an efficient legislative drafting service, including related legislative advice for the Government.

#### **Law Reform Commission**

- (a) the modification of any branch of the law as far as that is practicable;
- (b) the elimination of anomalies in the law, the repeal of obsolete and unnecessary enactments and the simplification and modernisation of the law;

- (c) the development of new areas in the law with the aim of making them more responsive to the changing needs of Cayman Islands society;
- (d) the adoption of new or more effective methods for the administration of the law and the dispensation of justice; and
- (e) the codification of the unwritten laws of the Cayman Islands.

# **Law Revision Commission**

Updating annually the List of current Laws and Subsidiary legislation of the Cayman Islands titled "The Consolidated Index".

Incorporating new Amendments of Laws and Subsidiary legislation into current Laws and Subsidiary legislation thereafter calling such consolidations Revisions.

# The following Laws were revised in 2008:

- 1. Alternative Sentencing Law
- Court Fees Rules
- 3. Customs (Bonded Warehouses) Regulations
- 4. Development and Planning Law
- 5. Electricity Law
- 6. Electricity Regulatory Authority Law
- 7. Explosives Law
- Firearms Law
- 9. Grand Court Law
- 10. Health Services (Fees and Charges) Regulations
- 11. Insurance Law
- 12. Legal Practitioners (Students) Regulations
- 13. Marine Conservation (Turtle Protection) Regulations
- 14. Maritime Authority Law
- 15. Merchant Shipping Law
- 16. Monetary Authority Law
- 17. Port Regulations
- 18. Money Laundering Regulations
- 19. Financial Regulations
- 20. Probation and Administration Rules
- 21. Public Accountants (Membership and Licences) Regulations
- 22. Public Passenger Vehicles Regulations

#### The following Laws were revised in 2009:

- 1. Banks and Trust Companies Law
- 2. Cinematograph Law
- 3. Companies Law
- 4. Confidential Relationships (Preservation) Law
- 5. Customs (Bonded Warehouses) Regulations
- 6. Elections Law
- 7. Immigration Law
- 8. Immigration Regulations
- 9. Marriage Law
- 10. Misuse of Drugs Law
- 11. Money Laundering Regulations
- 12. Mutual Funds Law
- 13. Public Accountants Law
- 14. Public Passenger Vehicles Regulations
- 15. Tax Information Authority Law
- 16. Tax Information Authority Regulations
- 17. Terrorism Law
- 18. Trusts Law

#### The following Laws were revised in 2010:

- 1. Companies Law
- 2. Bail Law
- 3. Building Societies Law
- 4. Criminal Justice (International Cooperation) Law
- Criminal Procedure Code
- 6. Customs Law
- 7. Customs Tariff Law
- 8. Development and Planning Regulations
- 9. Education Law
- 10. Electricity Regulatory Authority Law
- 11. Exempted Limited Partnership Law
- 12. Exempted Limited Partnership Regulations

13.	Health Insurance Commission Law
14.	Health Services Authority Law
15.	Immigration Law
16.	Immigration Regulations
17.	Information and Communications Technology Authority Law
18.	Legal Practitioners Law
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20.	Marriage Law
21.	Misuse of Drugs Law
22.	Monetary Authority Law
23.	Money Services Law
24.	Music and Dancing (Control) Law
25.	National Archive and Public Records Law
26.	National Drug Council Law
27.	National Pensions Law
28.	National Trust Law
29.	Parliamentary Pensions Law
30.	Patents and Trademarks Law
31.	Penal Code
32.	Money Laundering Regulations
33.	Public Management and Finance Law
34.	Financial Regulations
35.	Public Recorder Law
36.	Public Service Management Law
37.	Securities Investment Business Law
38.	Stamp Duty
39.	University College Law

Financial Reporting Authority

To receive, analyse and disseminate suspicious activities reports, which provide timely and high quality financial intelligence to local and overseas law enforcement agencies in keeping with the statutory requirements of the Proceeds of Crime Law. Financial intelligence is the end product of analysing one or several related reports that the FRA is mandated to receive from Financial Services Providers and other reporting entities.

#### Law School

The Law School provides tuition for both full and part-time programmes leading to the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) Degree of the University of Liverpool and the qualification of Attorney-at-Law of the Cayman Islands, which follows successful completion of the postgraduate Professional Practice Course. In addition, the Law School offers its own part-time qualification, the Diploma in Legal Studies. It is also possible to enrol as a general student studying individual courses, with or without taking examinations at conclusion. Students may register with the University of Liverpool for individual courses with university course certification resulting from successful completion of all elements of assessment.

The aim of the Law School is to provide students with a standard of tertiary level legal education equivalent to that prevailing in the United Kingdom. In 2002, degree programmes taught through the Cayman Islands Law School were awarded Qualifying Law Degree status by the English Law Society and the English Bar Council. This means that students successful in the honours degree programmes are eligible to pursue further postgraduate professional legal studies in England and Wales, as well as any other common law jurisdiction recognizing English law degrees. Such students are also eligible to attend academic postgraduate law programmes across the common-law world.

#### **Lists and Registers**

- ❖ Disclosure Logs 2009
- ❖ Disclosure Logs 2010

Location and hours	Matters handled		
Attorney General's	Attorney General's Chambers		
<u>Chambers</u>	<ul> <li>Legal advice to the Government and Statutory Bodies.</li> </ul>		
Physical Address: 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building Elgin Avenue George Town Grand Cayman  Mailing Address:	<ul> <li>Constitutional responsibility for the initiation and conduct of criminal proceedings brought by the Crown and be party to civil proceedings brought by and against the Government.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Proceedings pursuant to a number of Treaties, Conventions and Laws which have been brought into force in the Islands, for the obtaining of evidence and restraining orders in relation to all matters constituting criminal conduct.</li> </ul>		
4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building Elgin Avenue George Town Grand Cayman	<ul> <li>Central Authority under the Child Abduction &amp; Custody Order, The Criminal Justice (International Cooperation) Law &amp; Proceeds of Criminal Conduct Law.</li> </ul>		
Hours: 8.30am – 5pm	<ul> <li>Act as amicus curiae when requested to do so by the Grand Court and Court of Appeal.</li> </ul>		

#### Office of the Solicitor General including Legal Department

#### **Physical Address:**

1<sup>st</sup> Floor, dms House #20 Genesis Close George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands

#### **Mailing Address:**

P.O. Box 907 Grand Cayman – KY1-1103 Cayman Islands Hours: 8:30am – 5pm

## Office of the Solicitor General including the Legal Department

The role of the Legal Department is multifaceted and comprises of three main areas:

- Civil Law:
- Criminal Law; and
- International Law.

#### **Civil Matters**

The Deputy Solicitor General, Assistant Solicitor General as well as Senior Crown Counsel (Civil) and Crown Counsel (Civil), under the day-to-day management of the Solicitor General, provide the Governor, Official Members, Cabinet Ministers, government departments and other administrative entities and statutory authorities, with the following legal outputs:

- General written memoranda of advice;
- Oral advice in meetings or telephone conferences in urgent cases;
- Drafting of contracts and legally important correspondence;
- Preparation of pre-hearing or pre-trial litigation documents; and,
- Advocacy before the Courts and Tribunals within the jurisdiction.

Civil Crown Counsel are also responsible for all aspects of the litigation process from the drafting of interlocutory application, affidavits and pleadings through to advocacy at the appeal level.

#### Criminal Matters

The criminal division of the Attorney General's Chambers prosecutes all matters in the Summary Court and the Grand Court on behalf of the Attorney General. The division is also responsible for criminal appeals which are heard by the Court of Appeal of the Cayman Islands. The Chambers has also become more involved in prosecutions brought by other bodies such as the Department of Labour, Planning and Superintendent of Pensions. The police prosecute cases in the Traffic Court, although the Attorney General has ultimate responsibility for all prosecutions in the Islands and the department does take over these prosecutions if requested, or if the matter is of great public interest.

The criminal section also decides whether individuals should be prosecuted and rules on what charges should be laid for all investigative bodies, including the Department of Immigration. Crown Counsels further provide advice to law enforcement officers on law and procedure, as well as assist in training new recruits.

#### International Division

In 2004, the International Division was formally implemented with the advent of the Criminal Justice (International Cooperation) Law (2004 Revision) (CJICL). This new law

enables mutual legal assistance to be provided at the investigative stage of a matter where the conduct would constitute an offence in the Cayman Islands. The Attorney General, as the Central Authority under the Law, may provide assistance to those countries that are party to the Vienna Convention as well as those countries that are listed in the Schedule to the Law. The nature of the assistance offered may include assistance in the form of restraint/confiscation and forfeiture applications as well as gathering of evidence and extradition. The Attorney General's Chambers, under its international remit, also provides assistance in child abduction matters under the relevant Hague Convention.

#### **Legislative Drafting**

#### **Physical Address:**

Third Floor, Anderson Square Shedden Road, George Town George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands

#### Mailing Address:

c/o Government
Administration Building
George Town
Grand Cayman
Cayman Islands
Hours: 8:30am-5pm

#### **Legislative Drafting**

The Legislative Drafting Department has the following three main categories of work –

- drafting primary legislation Laws
- drafting subordinate legislation Regulations, Orders, Directions, Rules, etc.
- advising on proposals for legislation and statutory interpreta

#### **Law Reform Commission**

#### **Physical Address:**

Third floor Anderson Square, Anderson Square, Shedden Road George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands

#### **Law Reform Commission**

- (a) reviewing and considering any proposals for the reform of the law which may be referred by any person or authority;
- (b) preparing and submitting to the Attorney-General from time to time, a programme for the study and examination of any branch of the law with a view to making recommendations for its improvement, modernisation and reform;

#### Mailing Address:

Law Reform Commission
c/o Government
Administration Building,
Elgin Avenue
Grand Cayman
Cayman Islands
Hours: 8.30am-5pm

- (c) initiating and carrying out or directing the initiation and carrying out of, studies and research necessary for the improvement and modernisation of the law;
- (d) undertaking, pursuant to any such recommendation approved by the Attorney-General, the formulation and preparation of drafts in the form of Bills or other instruments for consideration by the Governor and the Legislative Assembly;
- (e) providing, at the instance of Government departments and other authorities concerned, advice, information and proposals for reform or amendment of any branch of the law; and
- (f) with the approval of the Attorney-General, appointing or empanelling committees, whether from among members of the Commission or from among persons outside the Commission or both, to study and make recommendations to the Commission on any aspect of the law referred to it by the Commission.

#### <u>Law Revision Commission</u> Physical Address:

Third Floor, Anderson Square, Shedden Road George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands

#### Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 907 Grand Cayman – KY1-1103

Cayman Islands Hours: 8.30am – 5pm

#### **Law Revision Commission**

Ongoing Revisions of all Law and Subsidiary legislation.

## Financial Reporting Authority

#### **Physical Address:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Elizabethan Square (Phase IV) 80E Shedden Road George Town Grand Cayman

#### **Financial Reporting Authority**

Suspicious Activities Reports (Commercial)

Cayman Islands	
Mailing Address:	
P.O. Box 1054	
Grand Cayman – KY1-1102	
Cayman Islands	
Hours: 8.30am-5pm	
http://www.caymanjudicial-	
legalinfo.ky	
Law School	Law School
Physical Address:	All aspects of Legal Education within the Cayman Islands
CNB Building	(Diploma Course, Degree & Professional Practice Course);
Dr. Roy's Drive	Ad Hoc Training Courses; Teach A' Level and AS Level Law
George Town	at St. Ignatius & Provide Consultancy Services to other
Grand Cayman	Government entities.
Cayman Islands	
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Mailing Address:	
P.O. Box 1568	
Grand Cayman – KY1-1110	
Cayman Islands	
Hours: 8.30am-5pm	
Extended library Hours during	
exams	
http://www.caymanjudicial-	
legalinfo.ky	

#### **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Attorney General's Chambers National Hazard Management Committee; Court Rules Committee; Legal Advisory Council; Anti-Money Laundering Steering Committee Group; and Hurricane Committee.	Meetings are usually not open to the public.	Minutes should be requested from the Secretary of the particular Board/Committee concerned.
Office of the Solicitor General including Legal Department Medical & Dental Council; Pensions Board; Health Practise Board; Child Abuse Prevention Board; Water Authority; and Health Services Authority.		

Legislative Drafting None	
Law Reform Commission None	
Law Revision Commission None	
Financial Reporting Authority Guidance Note Committee	
Law School Employment Appeals Tribunal	

#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### **Attorney General's Chambers**

#### 1. Question:

What is the procedure to be followed when applying to become a Notary Public?

#### Answer:

According to section 3 of the Notaries Public Law (2006 Revision):

The Governor may authorise any person who -

- a) has been employed in a management position in a company or in a public office for a period of three years or more;
- b) has been employed as an attorney at-law for a period of three years or more;
- c) has been employed as a certified public or chartered accountant for a period of three years or more;
- d) has been employed in any other profession specified from time to time by the Governor; or
- e) is considered by the Governor to be otherwise qualified to carry out the functions of a notary public, and has applied in writing to the Attorney-General in the form in the First Schedule, to be appointed by the Clerk as a notary public.

An applicant shall provide the Attorney General with any further information that the Governor requires in considering an application under this section and such additional information shall include but is not limited to-

- a) two character references;
- b) a police record:
- c) a photograph of the applicant certified by a justice of the peace, a notary

public, a minister of religion, a police officer (gazetted), a medical doctor, a member of the Legislative Assembly or an attorney-at-law to be a true likeness of the applicant.

Every person in respect of whom the Governor has given an authorisation under section 3 shall, upon written application to the Clerk and upon complying with the requirements of this section, be appointed a notary public.

The Clerk shall not register any person who has applied under subsection (1) unless the person shall first have-

- a) taken before the Clerk the form of oath in the Second Schedule;
- b) deposited with the Clerk an impression of the embossed notarial seal to be used by him in his capacity as a notary public, which seal shall be substantially in the form in the Third Schedule;
- c) paid to the Treasury the sum of five hundred dollars and produced the receipt for such payment to the Clerk; and
- d) given an undertaking signed by him in which he agrees to file with the Clerk a notice setting out any changes after his appointment relating to-
  - (i) his residence;
  - (ii) his profession or occupation;
  - (iii) any criminal convictions; and
  - (iv) an adjudication as a bankrupt.

#### 2. Question:

How do practising attorneys/barristers get admitted to practice in the Cayman Islands?

#### Answer:

Subject to the Legal Practitioners Law, a judge may admit to practice as an attorney-atlaw in the Islands any person who –

- 1. is entitled to practice at the Bar of England and Wales or the Bar of Northern Ireland;
- 2. they must have a certificate of call from the Bar in either England and Wales or the Bar of Northern Ireland.
- 3. The above is subject to the caveat that the applicant must have completed 12 months pupilage in England and Wales or Northern Ireland or served a term of articles in the Cayman Islands as set out in the Third Schedule of the Legal Practitioners (Students) Regulations (2007 Revision).
- 4. Consideration is also given to:
  - (i) a member of the Faculty of Advocates of Scotland or a solicitor of the Supreme Court of Judicature of England, Scotland or Northern Ireland;
  - (ii) is an attorney-at-law of the Supreme Court of Jamaica;

- (iii) is a Writer to the Signet of Scotland or a solicitor admitted to practise in Scotland; or
- (iv) satisfies a judge that he is entitled to practice in any court of any of the Commonwealth and possesses a qualification comparable as to standard law, practice and procedure with those specified in paragraph (a); or
- (v) is qualified to practice as an attorney-at-law under regulations made under section 20.
- 5. Whoever is qualified under subsection (1) may apply for admission to practice as an attorney-at-law and such application shall be made in writing addressed to a judge and be filed in the office of the Clerk of Court together with-
  - the certificate of the applicant's call to the Bar or, as the case may be, of his admission to the Faculty of Advocates or of his admission as solicitor, Writer to the Signet or Law Agent aforesaid, or the corresponding certificate relating to any qualification referred to in paragraph (b) or (c) of subsection (1); and
  - b) an affidavit signed by him in the presence of the Clerk of Court, who shall subscribe his name as a witness thereto, verifying that the certificate is a true certificate and that the applicant is the person named therein and that he is qualified as prescribed by subsection (1) (hereinafter referred to as "the prescribed qualification")

Provided that a judge may exempt any such person from producing the said certificate and from verifying the same if he is otherwise satisfied that the applicant possesses the prescribed qualification.

6. A judge may, for due cause, refuse to admit any applicant to practice as an attorneyat-law notwithstanding that he may possess the prescribed qualification unless such person is being admitted to practise as an attorney-at-law under paragraph (c) of section 3(1).

#### Question

What are the requirements to become a recognised body or incorporated as a company?

#### **Answer**

The requirements are:

- 1. a certificate of incorporation of the Company issued under Regulations 9 and 10 of the Legal Practitioners (Incorporated Practice) Regulations 2006,
- 2. Memorandum and Articles of Association, 3) Register of Directors,
- 3. Register of Directors,
- 4. Register of Officers,

- 5. Register of Members and Register of Shareholders,
- 6. Copy of insurance Coverage, and
- 7. a Cheque made out in the amount of CI\$2,000.00 payable to the Cayman Islands Government.

#### Office of the Solicitor General including Legal Department

#### Question

Do you advise the Public?

#### Answer

No. We provide services to our clients which include central Government and the Authorities.

#### **Legislative Drafting**

#### Question

What is the process relating to a Bill after it has been passed by the Legislative Assembly? **Answer** 

- 1. The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly sends to the Legislative Drafting Department, a copy of the Bill that has been passed by the Legislative Assembly, together with any amendments to the Bill that have been made by the Legislative Assembly.
- 2. The Legislative Drafting Department makes any necessary changes and sends bound copies of the Bill to the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, for signing.
- 3. The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly returns the signed Bill to the Legislative Drafting Department and the Bill is then forwarded to the Attorney-General for his Legal Report.
- 4. The Attorney-General sends his signed Legal Report and the Bill to H. E. The Governor, for Assent.
- 5. The Governor signs the Bill (making it a Law) and sends the Law to the Clerk of Cabinet, for sealing.
- 6. The Governor sends the sealed Law to the Legislative Drafting Department, for publication in the Official Gazette.

#### Question

From members of the public: "What Law governs .....?"

#### Answer

The Legislative Drafting Department does not give legal advice to members of the public.

#### **Law Reform Commission**

#### Question

What exactly does the Law Reform Commission do?

#### Answer

The Law Reform Commission reviews areas of the Law which need reform. E.g. the law lacks clarity or does not cover a particular matter.

#### **Law Revision Commission**

#### Question

Where can a copy of a law incorporated in a Revision be found?

#### Answer

Copy of law either provided by the Law Revision Commission or through the Archives.

#### Question

What does the Law Revision Commission do?

#### Answer

The Law Revision Commission is responsible for consolidating and revising an existing law according to amendments that have been passed.

#### Financial Reporting Authority

#### Question

Can I report a theft from my Company to the Financial Reporting Authority?

#### Answer

No. The Financial Reporting Authority is responsible for receiving and investigating complaints from the business community which relates to suspected money laundering activities by their clients.

#### Law School

#### Question

How do I gain admission to the Cayman Islands Law School?

#### **Answer**

Entry requirements for the full and part-time degrees are laid down in the Legal Practitioners (Students) Regulations (2007 Revision). Generally, the academic entry requirement for students who are under 21 years of age on 1st May in the year they start their course is at least two General Certificate of Education Advanced Level passes in addition to three General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE) passes of Grade C or higher standard. The GCSE subjects must include English Language and one of Mathematics or a Natural Science subject or Geography or Economics. Other prescribed combinations of passes may be acceptable (but proof of attainment of an acceptably high English Language standard is essential) as may other prescribed qualifications recognized as being of a comparable standard, such as an Associates Degree with a sufficiently high GPA. Students who are over 21 years of age on 1st June in the

year of intended entry who do not possess formal qualifications may take the University of Liverpool Mature Students' Entrance Examination. Further particulars of the Law School's admission requirements, together with a copy of the Application Form, can be obtained from our Admissions Policy which can be downloaded from the CILS website: www.gov.ky/lawschool.

#### Question

What are the Immigration requirements?

#### Answer

Following receipt of an unconditional written offer from CILS, international applicants must apply for a student visa from the Cayman Islands Immigration Department. Details of this procedure will be supplied by CILS following the making of an unconditional offer. If English is not your first language, then you must demonstrate your English Language competence either on the basis of the qualification your are offering (i.e. English being a main component of it) or by successfully undertaking the Mature Students Entrance Examination.

For further guidance please contact the Department of Immigration 1345-949-8344 or visit their website at <a href="https://www.immigration.gov.ky">www.immigration.gov.ky</a>.

#### Question

Does the Law School provide Halls of Residence?

#### Answer

The Law School does not have Hall of Residence. Students are responsible for arranging their own accommodations on Island. Information relating to accommodations can be found in the classified sections of the local newspapers or arrangements can be made through a real estate company.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

The key strategic goals and objectives for the Portfolio of Legal Affairs of the Cayman Islands are:

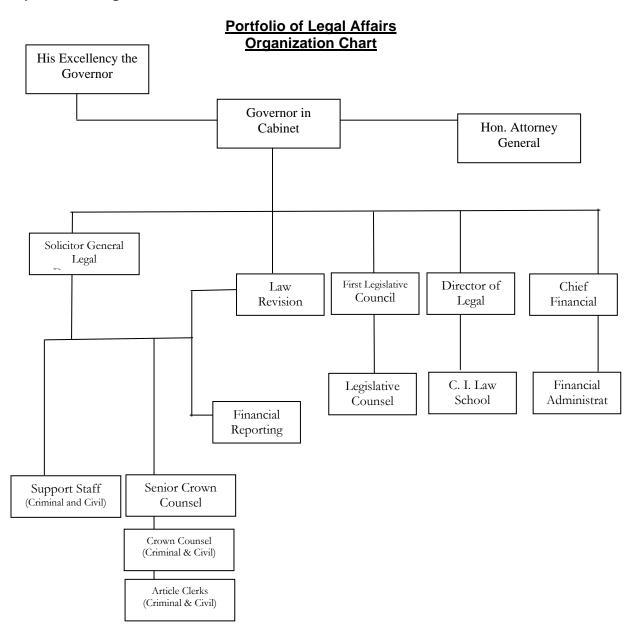
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- 2. To be the principal legal advisor to the Government of the Cayman Islands;
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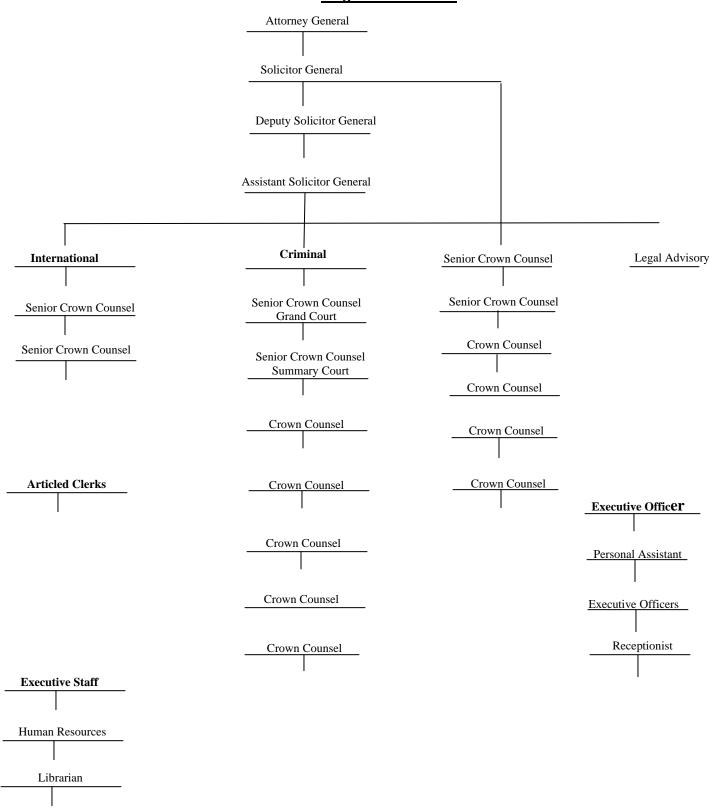
#### Governance

- The Office of the Attorney General is constituted by section 53 of the Cayman Islands (Constitution) Order (1992 as amended). By Order in Council, the Attorney General is appointed as an Official Member of the Governor-in-Cabinet and the Legislative Assembly.
- The Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- The Law Reform Commission Law (2007 Revision)
- The Law Revision Law (1999 Revision)
- The Proceeds of Crime Law (2008 Revision)
- The Money Laundering Regulations (2008 Revision)
- The Legal Practitioners Law (2007 Revision)
- The Legal Practitioners (Student) Regulations (2007)

#### **Corporate management**



## Legal Department Organization Chart



#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

#### Financial management\*

- Annual Budget
- Finance and Accounting
- Financial statements; Half-yearly/quarterly;
- Sources of revenue, Investments; Capital programme
- Accounting Procedures; Contracting procedures
- Recently-awarded contracts

#### Administration\*

Documents relating to other administrative functions carried out within the authority – including buildings, equipment & vehicles; communications; human resources; information & technology management.

- Insurance policies
- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Work Rules
- Records management file plan
- Some Human Resources files (which do not contain Third Party information

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES\***

Current written protocols used by the authority for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services.

- Complaints-handling procedure; HR policies and procedures
- Information management policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Operating policies and procedures; Standards of service
- Public Service Management Law (2009 Revision)

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decision-making processes.

- Policy proposals; Recommendations; Minutes of meetings; Public consultations
- Permits granted or refused (where publication is required by law, enactment or practice)
- Evaluation procedures; Assessment criteria

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This category provides detailed information about the services offered and activities carried out by the authority, to fulfil its high-level functions and responsibilities.

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- Chief Officer of the Portfolio of Legal Affairs;

- Prosecution of more serious criminal cases as well as appearances on behalf of the Attorney General and other bodies in important civil cases;
- Acting for the Attorney General during his absence, including attending Cabinet and the Legislative Assembly; and,
- Guardian ad litem for persons under disability under Grand Court Rules.
- Criminal Prosecutions in the Summary Court, Grand Court and Court of Appeal.
- Provide Advice to all government department, agencies, authorities and Cabinet.
- Conduct civil litigation on behalf of all government department, agencies, authorities and Cabinet.
- Provide International Assistance.

The holder of the Office of Solicitor General is also the designated Chief Officer of the Legal Portfolio for the purposes of the Public Management and Finance Law (2003 Revision) and the performance of departments within the portfolio.

#### **Legislative Drafting**

The Legislative Drafting Department provides legislative drafting support to the Government by researching, analysing and drafting both primary a subordinate legislation to complement the implementation of Government policies.

The Department is responsible to the Attorney-General and through him to the Governor, for the provision of an efficient legislative drafting service, including related legislative advice for the Government.

The following Laws were enacted in 2008:

- 1. Electricity Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 2. Electricity (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 3. Firearms (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 4. Explosives (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 5. Supplementary Appropriation (July 2007 To June 2008) Law, 2008
- 6. Appropriation (July 2008 To June 2009) Law, 2008
- 7. Cinematograph (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 8. Banks and Trust Companies (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 9. Trusts (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 10. Proceeds Of Crime Law, 2008
- 11. Anti-Corruption Law, 2008
- 12. Mutual Funds (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 13. Elections (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 14. Public Accountants (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 15. Marriage (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 16. Justice Protection Law, 2008
- 17. Immigration (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 18. Tobacco Law, 2008
- 19. Supplementary Appropriation (July 2007 To June 2008) (No.2) Law,2008
- 20. Tax Information Authority (Amendment) Law, 2008
- 21. Elections (Amendment) (No.2) Law, 2008

#### The following Laws were enacted in 2009:

- 1. Referendum (Constitutional Modernisation) Law, 2009
- 2. Health Insurance Commission (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 3. Prisons (Amendment) La W, 2009
- 4. Children (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 5. Cape Town Convention Law, 2009
- 6. Residential Tenancies Law, 2009
- 7. Education Modernisation Law, 2009
- 8. Health Services Authority (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 9. Public Management And Finance (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 10. Customs Tariff (Amendment) (Temporary Provisions) Law, 2009
- 11. Stamp Duty (Amendment) (Temporary Provisions) Law, 2009
- 12. Companies (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 13. Exempted Limited Partnership (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 14. Supplementary Appropriation (July 2008 To June 2009) Law, 2009
- 15. Electricity Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 16. Information And Communications Technology Authority (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 17. Appropriation (July 2009 To June 2010) Law, 2009
- 18. Misuse Of Drugs (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 19. Customs (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 20. Parliamentary Pensions (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 21. Customs (Amendment) (No.2) Law, 2009
- 22. Stamp Duty (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 23. Public Management And Finance (Amendment) (No.2) Law, 2009
- 24. Public Service Management (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 25. Patents And Trade Marks (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 26. Securities Investment Business (Amendment) La W, 2009
- 27. Marriage (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 28. Music And Dancing (Control) (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 29. Legal Practitioners (Amendment) La W, 2009
- 30. Building Societies (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 31. Public Recorder (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 32. Monetary Authority (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 33. Companies (Amendment) (No.2) Law, 2009
- 34. Customs Tariff (Amendment) Law, 2009
- 35. Money Services (Amendment) Law, 2009

#### The following Laws were enacted in 2010 up to 24<sup>th</sup> November:

- 1. Criminal Justice (International Cooperation (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 2. University College (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 3. National Archive And Public Records (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 4. Health Services Authority (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 5. National Drug Council (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 6. National Trust (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 7. Education (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 8. National Pensions (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 9. Monetary Authority (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 10. Bail (Amendment) Law, 2010

- 11. Criminal Evidence (Witness Anonymity) Law, 2010
- 12. Criminal Procedure Code (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 13. Penal Code (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 14. Public Management And Finance (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 15. Immigration (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 16. Appropriation (July 2010 To June 2011) Law, 2010
- 17. Public Service Management (Amendment) La W, 20 I 0
- 18. Public Service Pensions (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 19. Customs Tariff (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 20. National Honours and Awards Law, 2010
- 21. Statistics (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 22. Customs (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 23. Proliferation Financing (Prohibition) Law, 2010
- 24. Labour (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 25. Merchant Shipping (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 26. National Weather Service Law, 2010
- 27. Traffic (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 28. Dormant Accounts Law, 2010
- 29. Animals (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 30. Development and Planning (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 31. Immigration (Amendment) (No.2) Law, 2010
- 32. Insurance Law, 2010
- 33. Protection From Domestic Violence Bill, 2010
- 34. Health Insurance (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 35. Court Of Appeal (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 36. Police Law, 2010
- 37. Companies (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 38. Partnership (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 39. Exempted Limited Partnership (Amendment) Law, 2010
- 40. Public Service Management (Amendment) (No.2) Law, 2010

#### **Law Reform Commission**

- a) the modification of any branch of the law as far as that is practicable;
- b) the elimination of anomalies in the law, the repeal of obsolete and unnecessary enactments and the simplification and modernisation of the law;
- c) the development of new areas in the law with the aim of making them more responsive to the changing needs of Cayman Islands society;
- d) the adoption of new or more effective methods for the administration of the law and the dispensation of justice; and
- e) the codification of the unwritten laws of the Cayman Islands.

#### **Law Revision Commission**

Updating annually the List of current Laws and Subsidiary legislation of the Cayman Islands titled "The Consolidated Index".

Incorporating new Amendments of Laws and Subsidiary legislation into current Laws and Subsidiary legislation thereafter calling such consolidations Revisions.

#### The Cayman Islands Law Reform Commission Report 1st April 2009/31 March 2010:

#### **Completed Projects**

- Enduring powers of attorney
- Review of the law relating to charities
- Review of the law relating to domestic violence

#### **Current Projects**

- Review of the law relating to arbitration
- Introduction of consumer protection legislation
- Review of the Strata Titles Registration Law and Regulations
- Review of contempt of court
- Review of the Matirmonial Causes Law (2005 Revision), the Maintenance law (1996 Revision) and Affiliation Law (1995 Revision)
- Regulation of timeshares

#### **Future Projects**

Sexual harassment and Stalking legislation

#### The Cayman Islands Law Reform Commission Report 1st April 2008/31 March 2009:

#### **Completed Projects**

- · Review of the legal aid system
- Review of landlord and tenant legislation in the islands
- Legal Practitioners Bill

#### **Current Projects**

- Enduring power of attorney
- Charities Bill

#### **Future Projects**

- Arbitration review
- Review of the Strata Titles Registration Law (2005 Revision)
- Contempt of Court Bill
- Timeshare legislation
- Matrimonial Causes Law (2005 Revision) and Affiliation Law (1995 Revision)

#### The Cayman Islands Law Reform Commission Report 1st April 2008/31 March 2009:

#### **Completed Projects**

- Review of the Legal Practitioners Law
- Second review of the law of corporate insolvency and recommendations for the amendment of Part V of the Companies Law (2004 Revision).

#### Work in Progress

- Review of the legal aid system
- Review of landlord and tenant legislation in the Islands

#### **Other Matters, Future Projects**

- Anti-Corruption Bill
- Tort Reform Law

#### **Financial Reporting Authority**

To receive, analyse and disseminate suspicious activities reports, which provide timely and high quality financial intelligence to local and overseas law enforcement agencies in keeping with the statutory requirements of the Proceeds of Crime Law. Financial intelligence is the end product of analysing one or several related reports that the FRA is mandated to receive from Financial Services Providers and other reporting entities.

You may also visit the website which is: www.fra.gov.ky.

#### Law School

The Law School provides tuition for both full and part-time programmes leading to the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) Degree of the University of Liverpool and the qualification of Attorney-at-Law of the Cayman Islands, which follows successful completion of the postgraduate Professional Practice Course. In addition, the Law School offers its own part-time qualification, the Diploma in Legal Studies. It is also possible to enrol as a general student studying individual courses, with or without taking examinations at conclusion. Students may register with the University of Liverpool for individual courses with university course certification resulting from successful completion of all elements of assessment.

The aim of the Law School is to provide students with a standard of tertiary level legal education equivalent to that prevailing in the United Kingdom. In 2002, degree programmes taught through the Cayman Islands Law School were awarded Qualifying Law Degree status by the English Law Society and the English Bar Council. This means that students successful in the honours degree programmes are eligible to pursue further postgraduate professional legal studies in England and Wales, as well as any other common law jurisdiction recognizing English law degrees. Such students are also eligible to attend academic postgraduate law programmes across the common-law world. You may also visit our website at <a href="https://www.gov.ky/lawschool">www.gov.ky/lawschool</a>.

# The Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development Publication Scheme

#### Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice

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#### 1. ABOUT THE PUBLICATION SCHEME

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
  - o proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
  - o describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
  - o list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
  - o publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;

- o make this publication scheme available to the public;
- o regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

#### 2. INFORMATION THAT MAY BE WITHHELD

The Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development (F,T&D ) will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access:
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in *section 7: Categories of information*.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development (or another organization's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. METHODS OF ACCESS

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### **Online**

Some of our documents will be published electronically on the Ministry of F, T&D website once it becomes operational and will be downloadable in PDF format.

In the interim please contact the FOI Information Manager Patricia Ulett at 244-2458 or direct line at 244-2095 or email at <a href="mailto:Patricia.Ulett@gov.ky">Patricia.Ulett@gov.ky</a> or <a href="mailto:foi.mte@gov.ky">foi.mte@gov.ky</a>.

#### **Email**

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at <a href="mailto:foi.mte@gov.ky">foi.mte@gov.ky</a> to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call Patricia Ulett at 949-7900 ext 2152 or 244-2458 or direct line at 244-2152 to request information.

#### **Post**

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to: Patricia Ulett, Ministry of Finance, Tourism & Development, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, George Town, Grand Cayman

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See *section 4: Fees and charges* for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Samuel Rose at 244-2458 or direct line at 244-2095 or email at <a href="mailto:Patricia">Patricia</a> <a href="mailto:Ulett@gov.ky">Ulett@gov.ky</a> or <a href="mailto:foi.mte@gov.ky">foi.mte@gov.ky</a>.

The Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

#### 4. FEES AND CHARGES

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

#### **Reproduction costs**

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information of the FOI regulations.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development has received your payment.

## 5. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION OUTSIDE THE PUBLICATION SCHEME

Information held by the Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing.

Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law by contacting FOI Information Manager Patricia Ulett at 244-2458 or direct line at 244-2152 or fax at 945-1746 or email at <a href="mailto:Patricia.Ulett@gov.ky">Patricia.Ulett@gov.ky</a> or <a href="mailto:foi.mte@gov.ky">foi.mte@gov.ky</a>. Requests can also be addressed to Patricia Ulett, Ministry of Finance, Tourism & Development, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, George Town, Grand Cayman

#### 6. COMPLAINTS

The Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development aims to make our publication scheme easy to use and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Patricia Ulett at 244-2458 or direct line at 244-2152 or email at <a href="mailto:Patricia.Ulett@gov.ky">Patricia.Ulett@gov.ky</a> or <a href="mailto:foi.mte@gov.ky">foi.mte@gov.ky</a> and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from Samuel Rose at 244-2458 or direct line at 244-2152 or email at <a href="mailto:Patricia.Ulett@gov.ky">Patricia.Ulett@gov.ky</a> or <a href="mailto:foi.mte@gov.ky">foi.mte@gov.ky</a>.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: 1 345 747 5402 Email: <a href="mailto:appeals@ico.gov.ky">appeals@ico.gov.ky</a>

#### CATEGORIES OF INFORMATION

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#### **ABOUT US**

The Ministry consists of the core ministry office and has responsibility for Tourism, Planning, Financial Services, Fire, Public Transport, e-Business, the Cayman Islands Investment Bureau, Planning, the London Office, General Registry, Financial Services Secretariat (including the PR Unit), and Liquor Licensing.

In addition the Ministry oversees (on the Minister's behalf) the performance of the following statutory authorities and Government companies (Tourism Attractions Board, Cayman Airways, Cayman Turtle Farm, C.I. Port Authority, C.I. Airports Authority, C.I. Development Bank, C.I. Monetary Authority, Tax Information Authority and C.I. Stock Exchange).

The financial services portfolio within the Ministry consists of the Financial Services Secretariat, General Registry, Cayman Islands Investment Bureau, and the London Office.

The financial services sector accounts for approximately 40% of GDP.

There are 6 sub-sectors in the financial services sector (banking, securities, companies, insurance, trusts and investment funds).

There is a significant amount of financial services related legislation which requires constant updating for regulatory and commercial reasons.

#### Strategic Management

The Ministry of MFTD administers the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

#### **Finance & Administration**

The Ministry of FTD administers the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. This includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

#### Financial management\*

- Finance and Accounting
- Annual Budget
- Financial statements; Half-yearly / quarterly reports
- Sources of revenue; Investments; Capital programme
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures
- Board members allowances and expenses
- Ministerial expenditure
- List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; Recently-awarded contracts

#### Administration\*

- Insurance policies
- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Training and Safety
- Human Resources

<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

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#### LAWS & REGULATIONS FOR CIVIL SERVICE

#### **Financial Management**

- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
- July 2008 Annual Salary Scale for Salaried Staff and Hourly Rates for bi-weekly employees.
- 2008 Pay Schedule Monthly and weekly pay dates for 2008
- 2007 Pay Scales Annual Salary Scale for Salaried Staff January 2007

#### **Administration & Human Resource Management**

- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Public Servant Code of Conduct Code of Conduct for Civil Servants 05-Dec-2007
- Labour Law (1996 Revision)

#### **Records Management**

- Chief Secretary's Code of Practice on Record Management
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- National Achieve and Public Records Law

#### Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development

#### The Premier & Minister for Finance, Tourism and Development

Hon. W. McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP

#### **Chief Officer**

Mr Carson Ebanks, MBE, JP

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<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

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Chief Officer: Financial Services

Mrs. Sonia McLaughlin

Chief Officer: Public Finance

Mr. Samuel Rose

Deputy Chief Officer: Financial Services

Mr. Dalton Walter-Lyons

Deputy Chief Officer: Tourism

Mr. Leonard Dilbert

Senior Strategic Advisor

Mr. Kenneth Dilbert

Senior Strategic Advisor

Mrs. Dawn McLean-Sawney Chief Human Resources Officer

Mrs. Wendy Manzanares

Chief Financial Controller

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21 Eclipse Drive, George Town, Grand Cayman

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#### ORGANISATION AND FUNCTIONS

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES & FUNCTIONS**

- Financial Services Secretariat
- Tourism
- Planning
- Cayman Islands Fire Service
- Public Transport Unit
- e Business
- Liquor Licensing Unit
- London Office
- Cayman Islands Investment Bureau
- General Registry

#### **MOT LAWS & REGULATIONS**

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Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development is regulated by various laws such as:

- Liquor Licensing Law (2000 Revision);
- The Music and Dancing (Control) Law (1995 Revision);
- Traffic Law (2003 REVISION); The Traffic Law (1999 Revision) Regulations;
- The Public Passenger Vehicles Regulations (1999 Revision);
- The Traffic (Public Transport Appeals Tribunal) Regulations, 2007, The Public Passenger Vehicles (Amendment) Regulations, 2007;
- The Customs (Temporary Provisions) Regulations, 2005;
- Tourism Law (1995 Revision)

#### **MOT GUIDELINES**

- Complaints/Requests Procedure Guidelines
- Guidelines for annual renewal of bus and Taxi license

#### **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

- Authorities, Boards & Committees
- Port Authority
- Airports Authority
- Cayman Islands Development Bank
- Cayman Turtle Farm Ltd.
- Cayman Airways Board
- Hotel Licensing Board
- Liquor Licensing Boards
- Miss Cayman Committee
- Public Transport Board
- Land & Sea Co-op
- Tourism Advisory Council
- Tourism Attractions Board
- Beautification Committees
- Cayman Islands Tourism Association
- Sister Islands Tourism Association

- Tourism Apprenticeship
- National Heros Committee
- National Honours & Awards Committee
- Training Programme Council
- National Tourism
- Management Policy
- Steering Committee
- Go East Committee
- National Festival Committee & District Committees
- Film Commission Advisory Board
- Development Control Board
- Electrical Trade Licensing Board of Examiners
- Planning Appeals Tribunal
- Central Planning Authority
- Private Sector Consultative Committee
- Cayman Islands Monetary

**Authority** 

• Tax Information Authority

• Cayman Islands Stock Exchange

#### **MOT POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

In addition to the laws and regulations listed above the following policies and procedures are used at the Ministry of Finance, Tourism and development.

- Complaints-handling procedure
- Human Resource policies & procedures
- Hurricane Preparedness manual
- Hazardous Materials policy and procedures

#### **List of Forms Used (External & Internal)**

- Applications for Liquor & Music Licences;
- Application for bus or taxi operating license
- Employment Application forms
- Complaints Policy & Procedures
- Complaints Report Form
- Freedom of Information FOI

#### **PERMITS GRANTED**

The only permits that are granted:-

- o Renewal of bus and taxi licenses
- o Liquor licenses and renewals

Request for information concerning permits not issued by MOT or its departments will have to be directed to the public authority that has responsibilities for issuing a particular permit.

#### **INSPECTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Inspections by Public Transport Unit and Liquor Licenses Officers are documented through reports or recommendation based on their findings. Many of these reports or recommendations can be access by the public under the FOI law.

#### List of inspections carried out

- Liquor Licensing inspections
  - o Bars
  - o Restaurants
- Public Transport Unit
  - o Spontaneous bus and Taxi inspections
  - o Annual License inspections

### **CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD**

Classes of	Restrictions & Accessibility to information
Information	
Cabinet reports &	FOI request concerning this type of information should be directed to
recommendations	the Cabinet Officer or the Ministry.
Personal / Human	Access to information restricted to the relevant personnel.
Resource records	
Inspections reports &	Majority of information can be access by the public using FOI.
recommendations	Access is restricted for personal information concerning clients or
	private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.
Complaints	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI
	law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or
	private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.
Financial information	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI
i.e. accounts, budget	law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or
	private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.
Tender Contracts	FOI request concerning this type of information should be directed to
	FOI Manager.



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- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Department of Tourism will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Department of Tourism or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible. However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in *section 7: Categories of information*. Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Department of Tourism's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below. Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Key information about us and many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within *section 7: Categories of information* will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can find the information you require either by browsing the "Access to Information" pages on our website www.caymanislands.ky/foi or by using the "Search" facility. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact Christopher Linton, Information Manager at foi@caymanislands.ky or (1 345) 949 0623.

## <u>Email</u>

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi@caymanislands.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Christopher Linton
Information Manager
Department of Tourism
Windward 3, Regatta Office Park
PO Box 67
Grand Cayman, KY1-1102

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

## Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section. Information on our location and office hours can also be found in *section 7: Categories of information*.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Mr Christopher Linton, Information Manager or Ms Kate Joad, Alternate Information Manager at foi@caymanislands.ky or by phone on (1 345) 949 0623.

The Department of Tourism will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Department of Tourism is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Department of Tourism strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

The Department of Tourism does not offer any publications for sale. However, access to certain statistics requires an online registration. This is free and can be done through our statistics website www.caymanislands.ky/statistics.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size). Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

## Postage costs

The Cayman Islands Department of Tourism will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within *section* 7: Categories of information. If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. The information that you have requested will be provided when the Department of Tourism has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Department of Tourism that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. You may submit your written request either in person, by email at foi@caymanislands.ky or by using our information application form which can be found on our website <a href="http://www.caymanislands.ky/foi/formsinfo.aspx">http://www.caymanislands.ky/foi/formsinfo.aspx</a> or collected from our offices. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

## 6. Complaints

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Further information about our general complaints procedures and a complaints form can be found on at the following link: http://www.caymanislands.ky/foi/contact.aspx. If you do not have access to the internet, copies of our complaints form can be obtained from our office location between the hours of 8.30am and 5.00pm.

Our internal complaints process allows us to gain valuable information from the people it serves, and allows the organization to improve its reputation as one of the best public authorities. Information given by people complaining often contains useful criticism. Complaints made by the public can provide valuable decision and policy making information to management as well as highlight the challenges faced by employees.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

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# <u>Ministry</u>

The Ministry of Financial Services, Tourism and Development

# Chief Officer

Mr. Carson Ebanks, Ministry of Finance, Tourism & Development, 4th Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, Cayman Islands.

# **Department of Tourism Principal Officer**

Acting Director of Tourism - Mr Shomari Scott

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Assistant Director Tourism (Finance and Admin) – Mr Christopher Linton Deputy Director International Marketing – Mr Shomari Scott Deputy Director Product Development – Vacant Public Relations Manager – Ms Gina Matthews Human Resources Manager – Ms Jan Peters Information Systems Manager – Mr Lloyd McBean Manager National Promotions and Events – Ms Rosa McLean Manager E-Business and Research – Vacant

US General Manager (Acting) – Ms Barbara Reimers Country Manager Canada – Mr Paul Minich Country Manager UK – Mr Don McDougall

## **Information Manager**

Information Manager – Mr Christopher Linton Alternate IM and Principal Records Officer – Ms Kate Joad Records Officer – Ms Shameka Clarke

Tel: (1 345) 949 0623

Email: foi@caymanislands.ky Website: www.caymanislands.ky/foi

Freedom of Information website www.foi.gov.ky

## **Organisation and functions**

The Cayman Islands Department of Tourism is a public sector agency charged with short and medium term responsibility for the strategic planning and general destination management for the Cayman Islands tourism industry. It requires business management in the public sector environment and involves a close working relationship with a wide range of stakeholders. To be successful, the Department must maintain a global perspective and parallel local sensitivity in order to meet its broadest objectives as outlined in the National Tourism Management Policy.

The nature of the activities executed by the Department range from research and policy advice to international marketing and sales, from industry training programmes to the development of environmentally responsible management of the tourism industry. At all times, the Department seeks to advance the heritage, culture and values of the Cayman Islands and promote the advancement of sustainable tourism policies for the benefit of future generations.

The scope of the Department of Tourism activities is:

- Strategic planning for the Tourism Industry
- Technical Advice, Research and Policy Input
- Coordinate the implementation of the National Tourism Management Policy;
- Support for Tourism Boards and Committees
- Tourism Public Relations Services
- Crisis and Emergency Communications
- Product Development and Regulatory Activities
- Collection and Audit of Tourism Revenue
- Marketing and Public Relations (International and National)
- Development of Human Capital for the Tourism Industry

The Cayman Islands Department of Tourism holds information and records relating to the following areas of its operations:

#### Administrative

- Financial Management
- Human Resources Management
- Operations Management
- Management of Information Systems
- Strategic Management

#### Operational

- E-Business
- Familiarisation Trips
- Human Capital Development
- Marketing and Promotions
- Public Relations
- Research
- Tourism Development Services

A copy of the Department of Tourism Organisational Chart can be found on our website at the following link:



Department of Tourism Organisation Chart.pdf

# Office locations and addresses

Location and hours	Matters handled	
Head Office, Grand Cayman:	<ul> <li>Effective and targeted promotion of the Cayman Islands as a premier tourist destination.</li> </ul>	
Physical Address:	Specific event organisation such as Cayman jazz fest	

Windward 3, Regatta Office Park West Bay Road Grand Cayman  Mailing address: PO Box 67 Grand Cayman, KY1-1102  Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 8.30am-5pm Closed on weekends and all public holidays	<ul> <li>and Cayman Cookout.</li> <li>Consideration of sponsorship opportunities such as Summer Splash and Free Fallin'</li> <li>Arranging Cayman Travel Specialist and staff familiarisation trips.</li> <li>Electronic marketing of the Cayman Islands</li> <li>Website maintenance and creation of sitelets</li> <li>Development of new and existing product to enhance the visitor experience</li> <li>Human capital development through the PRIDE Programme, a customer service standards initiative, and the Tourism Apprenticeship Training Programme.</li> <li>Inspection and licencing of all tourist accommodations.</li> <li>Provision of statistical information to the public, creation of an annual survey document, as well as data collection at the airport and cruiseship terminals.</li> <li>Budget preparation and management for all DOT offices</li> <li>Accounts payable functions</li> <li>Collection of Tourist Accommodation Tax and licencing fees</li> <li>Records management</li> <li>Departmental HR management</li> <li>Management of all DOT information systems</li> <li>Provision of advice to Ministers</li> <li>Liaison with external tourism partners</li> </ul>
Cayman Brac Office:  Physical address: 209 West End Rd West Cayman Brac  Mailing address: PO Box 194 Cayman Brac, KY2-2001  Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 8.30am-5pm Closed on weekends and all public holidays	<ul> <li>Inspections and Licencing</li> <li>Tourism Promotions</li> <li>Finance and Administration</li> </ul>
Overseas Offices:	
US New York Empire State Building, Suite 1801, 350 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10118	The main objective of all Department of Tourism overseas offices is the promotion of tourism to the Cayman Islands.  This includes the following functions and activities:  • advertising

Opening hours: Mon – Fri: 9am – 5pm
Closed on weekends and all US public holidays

## **EUROPE**

6 Arlington Street, London SW1A 1RE United Kingdom

Opening hours:

Mon - Thurs: 9.30am - 5.30pm

Friday: 9am - 5pm

Closed on weekends and all

UK public holidays

# **CANADA**

1200 Bay Street, Suite 1101 Toronto, Ontario M5R 2A5

Opening hours: 9am to 5pm

Mon – Fri

Closed on weekends and all Canadian public holidays

- direct and internal marketing
- attendance at trade and consumer shows arranging training for travel agents
- arranging familiarisation visits to the Cayman Islands for travel agents and journalists
- promotion of marketing promotions
- facilitating visits overseas by Government ministers and senior staff
- administration of regional budgets and staff
- liaison with head office staff on press issues

Further information about the work of our overseas offices can be found on their country-specific websites:

www.caymanislands.co.uk www.caymanislands.ky/canada www.caymanislands.ky/europe

## **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Hotel Licencing Board  Chairman: Minister of Tourism (as stipulated by Law) – in practice, this responsibility is delegated to the Deputy Chairman Deputy Chairman: Director of Tourism (as stipulated by Law) Members: Mr. Carvin Forbes Mr. Marshall Levy Plus two further members to be appointed by the Chairman Appointees: Representatives from The Fire Service, Dept of Environmental Health and Dept of Tourism	Meetings are held monthly at DOT  Meetings are not open to the public.	The minutes of these meetings are not available online.  Please refer to section 3 – Methods of Access for further information.

Tourism Apprenticeship Council Co-Chairperson: Dan Meeting are generally The minutes of these Szvdlowski held monthly but on meetings are not available Co-chairperson:Belinda occasion can be held online. Blessitt-Vincent twice or even three times Members: per month depending on Please refer to section 3 the need. Meetings are Chevala Burke Methods of Access for further Wendy Jackson usually held at the information. Department of Tourism Juliet DeFeu Head Office Elsa Cummings Nominees from Dept of Tourism and Ministry of Meetings are not open to Tourism the public

## Frequently asked questions

A list of frequently asked questions and answers about the Cayman Islands can be found at the following link: http://www.caymanislands.ky/faq/default.aspx with the main areas listed below.

#### General

- What time zone do the Cayman Islands operate on?
- Can I bring my pet to the Cayman Islands?
- What is the Legal drinking age in the Cayman Islands?

#### Weather

- What about hurricanes?
- Will it rain while I am there?
- What about the heat?

#### Internet/E Mail Access

• Where can I find Internet or email access on the Islands?

#### **Transportation**

- Are there Public buses?
- How much would it cost me to get a taxi from Owen Roberts Airport on Grand Cayman to Seven Mile Beach?

#### Money / Exchange Rate

Is the US dollar accepted there & what is the exchange rate?

#### **Activities**

- What is there for my kids to do?
- Where can I play Golf?

## **Getting Married**

- Can we get married in the Islands?
- What if we just want to renew our vows?

#### Inter Island Travel

• How can I get to the Sister Islands or Cayman Brac and Little Cayman?

## **Dining Out**

• How much would you expect to pay for a local two-course lunch or dinner?

#### General

**Question:** What time zone do the Cayman Islands operate on?

**Answer:** The Cayman Islands are GMT - 5 hours.

**Question:** Can I bring my pet to the Cayman Islands?

**Answer:** No dog or cat will be allowed entry into the Cayman Islands unless it is at least ten (10) months old. An Import Permit application for dogs and cats must be completed and submitted with an official health certificate of the pet(s), a rabies laboratory titre report and the processing fee for the import permit. For the procedures required visit www.customs.gov.ky

**Question:** What is the legal drinking age?

**Answer:** 18 years and older. Our Rum Punches can pack a punch, so please remember no drinking and driving.

**Question:** Can we camp in the Cayman Islands?

**Answer:** Visitors are not permitted to camp on the Cayman Islands as there are no designated Camp sites. The Cayman Islands offer a wide variety of accommodations to suit any budget.

**Question:** Are there nude beaches or nudebathing?

**Answer:** You will not find any nude beaches in the Cayman Islands in fact, please note that the Cayman Islands Law prohibits all forms of public nudity, including topless sunbathing. Many business places also request that you wear shoes and an appropriate cover-up before entering.

## Weather

**Question:** What about hurricanes?

Answer: The Atlantic Hurricane season starts June 1st and ends officially on November 30th. The Caribbean is a large region and most storms have shown a tendency to veer to the Northwest (towards the US Mainland) long before reaching the far Western Caribbean area. Consequently, the Cayman Islands have often been spared the full wrath of devastating hurricanes. Nowhere is exempt from hurricanes though and we endured Hurricane Ivan which passed through in September 2004. Prior to Hurricane Ivan the last occurred in 1932, and more recent brushes causing some property damage, were Hurricane Gilbert in 1988, which passed 30 miles south of Grand Cayman, and Hurricane Mitch in 1998 passing about 200 miles to the south.

#### **Hurricane Guarantee**

The Cayman Islands' with its *Worry Free Hurricane Guarantee*, is the perfect late summer/early fall destination for some fun in the sun. This unique Hurricane Guarantee covers any cancellations made prior to arrival and compensation if vacation time is cut short because of inclement weather.

Question: Will it rain while I am there?

**Answer:** The year divides into two seasons, the summer or "rainy" season, generally from mid-May through October, moving into the winter or "dry" season, from November to April. March and April are our driest months and May and October are traditionally the highest rainfall months.

This of course, does not mean that it rains constantly during either of those months, but reflects the trend within our region. Being in a tropical zone, it is not unusual to have brief afternoon showers during the summer, and, at certain times, brief morning sprinkles too. Similar to most West Indian Islands, rainfall tends to be higher in the western sections.

**Question:** What about the heat?

**Answer:** The average temperature in the winter is 75 degrees Fahrenheit and 85 degrees in the summer. Winter or summer, the temperature generally stays within the range of 70 - 90 degrees. The months with the least humidity and lowest temperatures are December through April, February occasionally recording night-time temperatures in the mid 60's, and March probably being the most "temperate" month of the year.

## **Transportation**

**Question:** Are there Public buses?

**Answer:** There is a daily bus service which runs from 6 am until midnight depending on the route and the day of travel. The bus fare also depends on the route and varies between CI\$1.50 to CI\$3.00 per person.

**Question:** How much would it cost me to get a taxi from Owen Roberts Airport on Grand Cayman to Seven Mile Beach?

**Answer:** On average a taxi would cost from US\$10 to US\$25 depending on what part you are going to.

#### Money / Exchange Rate

**Question:** Is the US dollar accepted there & what is the exchange rate?

**Answer:** Yes it is widely accepted throughout the islands. CI\$1.00 equals US\$1.25 or, the US dollar equals CI \$.80. This rate may also vary on the company / business doing the exchange.

#### Activities

**Question:** What is there for my kids to do?

**Answer:** They will enjoy the various watersports like the banana boats, two person parasailing or discovering our fantastic marine world through snorkelling and swimming with colourful tropical fish. Adolescents over 12 years can also learn to dive! View our amazing underwater reefs in submarines, semi-submersibles and glass bottom boats. Not to be missed is our famous Stingray City snorkel trip where everyone becomes a child at heart swimming with tamed southern stingrays in their natural habitat, the open sea.

There is the Turtle Farm located in West Bay where you can find many different species, sizes and ages of turtles in addition to indigenous animals and birds.

Other activities include mini-golf, a visit to the Cayman Islands Museum and the multi-media

theatre at Pedro St. James Historic Site. For kids 10 years and older horseback riding is available, as well as cycling, golf and tennis.

Some hotels also host kid camps for children under the age of 12. If you are visiting for our national festivals Batabano or Pirates Week - there are numerous activities for children as well.

If you are staying at a guest house, condo or other accommodation we have a list of childcare service providers to help you enjoy your time in the Cayman Islands even more.

Question: Where can I play Golf?

**Answer:** There are two golf courses in the Cayman Islands, both located on Grand Cayman. The Britannia Golf Course is a unique 18 hole executive with par 3's and 4's. On Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sunday mornings the course is played Executive format. Otherwise it is played as a very challenging 9 hole regulation course (twice for 18 if you so desire).

## **Getting Married**

**Question:** Can we get married in the Islands?

**Answer:** Couples can marry the day they arrive in the Cayman Islands, including visitors arriving by cruise ship. You must first arrange for a marriage officer within the Cayman Islands and apply for a special marriage license for non-residents granted by the Governor. Contact the Deputy Chief Secretary's office for more information.

**Question:** What if we just want to renew our vows?

**Answer:** All you would need is a marriage officer and your proof of marriage. All other details relating to your special moment can be arranged at your discretion.

## **Inter Island Travel**

**Question:** How can I get to the Sister Islands or Cayman Brac and Little Cayman? **Answer:** Cayman Airways Express offers numerous flights daily from Grand Cayman to Cayman Brac and Little Cayman for reservations call 00 1 345.949.2311 or visit www.caymanairways.com Cayman Airways also offers a 737 jet service from Grand Cayman to Cayman Brac.

# **Dining Out**

**Question:** How much would you expect to pay for a local two-course lunch or dinner? **Answer:** On average you can expect to pay between US\$16.00-US\$32.00

#### **Further information**

If you do not have internet access, you may obtain further information about the Cayman Islands and the Department of Tourism by calling our Head Office on (1 345) 949 0623 or by contacting any of our offices overseas. Contact details for our overseas offices can be found in the Office Locations section on pages 7 & 8 of this publication scheme.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

This deals with the development of business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; and making recommendations that seek to advise on revisions of laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities.

The key strategic goals and objectives for the Department of Tourism are:

- Provide high quality products and services for the visitor
- Present a distinctive Caymanian experience
- Adopt a sustainable approach to tourism development
- Protect and enhance the marine and terrestrial environment
- Attracting a more discerning and higher spending visitor
- Develop a highly skilled Caymanian workforce
- Develop nature-based/soft adventure tourism in the Sister Islands and Grand Cayman
- Organise tourism in the Cayman Islands more effectively
- Research, monitor and report on the tourism economy more effectively
- Increase awareness of and positive attitudes towards tourism in the community
- Brand Management Management and Enhance the Image of the Cayman Island Tourism Brand

#### Governance

This section includes high-level documents that inform and direct the functions and activities of the authority. Documents include governing legislation and regulations and corporate policies and documents. These documents are available on our website and are issued to all properties when they apply for a tourist accommodation licence. Copies of the laws and regulations can also be purchased from the Legislative Assembly.

# Legislation

Law (1995) Revision (.pdf)

Law (.pdf)

Lack Tourism Regulations (2002) Revision (.pdf)

Freedom of Information Law 2007 and Freedom of Information Regulations 2008

Personnel Regulations

Mational Archive and Public Records Law 2007

Public Accountants Law (2009 Revision) - International Public Accounting Standards

Public Service Management Law

Labour Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations

Electronic Transactions Law 2003 revision

Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)

## **Corporate management**

This section includes high-level documents that plan and evaluate the work of the authority. Copies of these documents are available either on our website or the website of the relevant government department. Where indicated, copies can also be obtained from the Department of Tourism Head Office.

# Available on DOT website or from Head Office

National Tourism Management Plan 2009-2013

Continuity of Operations Plan – Please note that internal and external contact lists and the Appendices to the plan have not been published as these parts of the document contain personal information.



Statistics about the Cayman Islands can be found at the following link www.caymanislands.ky/statistics, or by contacting our Research Unit on (1 345) 949 0623.

# Available on Cayman Islands Government website or elsewhere

Annual Report 2004-2005

Annual Plan and Estimates 2009-2010

# **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. This includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

#### Financial management

This section includes documents relating to the administration of the authority's monetary resources – including projected and actual income and expenditure; tendering; procurement; and contracts.

Annual Budget 2010-2011

CTC Open Tender Process

Departmental process for the purchase of goods or services exceeding \$50,000

Tourist Accommodation Tax collection reminders

Unpaid tax - First Reminder



Unpaid tax - Final Reminder



Surcharge - First Reminder



Surcharge - Final Reminder

#### Administration

This section covers records relating to other administrative functions carried out within the authority - including buildings, equipment & vehicles; communications; human resources; information & technology management. Documents relating to these subject areas can be found on our website at the links below or by contacting the Department of Tourism on (1 345) 949 0623.



Job vacancies; career opportunities



Records management classification scheme

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

These are the current written protocols used by the Department of Tourism for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services.



Complaints-handling procedure



DOT Complaints Form



Intern Programme



Code of Conduct



Information Management Policy



Departmental process for the purchase of goods or services exceeding \$50,000

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

This section includes information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decision-making processes.



Licenced Properties 2009-2010



Tourism Accommodation Manual 2009

# **LISTS & REGISTERS**

This includes information held in registers required by law and other lists or registers relating to the functions of the authority.



FOI disclosure log

#### **OUR SERVICES**

This category provides detailed information about the services offered and activities carried out by the Department of Tourism, to fulfil its high-level functions and responsibilities. All of the information can be found on our website www.caymanislands.ky or through the links below. Further information about any of our services and programmes can be obtained by calling the Department of Tourism on (1 345) 949 0623.

# **Programmes and Project Development**

Programme and Product Development

PRIDE - Personal Responsibility In Delivering Excellence

Mational Tourism Management Policy

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# **Events, Sponsorships and Partners**

International Scuba Diving Hall of Fame

Cayman Cookout

# Inspecting; Investigating; Monitoring; Regulating

Licencing Tourist Accommodation - Inspection and Licencing

# Researching; Advising; Training; Scholarships; Subsidies

Language Tourism Apprenticeship Training Programme

La Tourism Awareness

# Licensing; Applications; Registering

Licencing and Inspection Process



# **Department of Planning**

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; commercially sensitive information; and information that would prejudice the effective conduct of public affairs. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply;

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, or harm the *Planning Department* customer's commercial interests.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

## Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format from www.planning.gov.ky . Where information is available

online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact us by email at foi.pln@gov.ky or Charles Brown at Charles.Brown@gov.ky or 345-769-1537.

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.pln@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

# **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call Information Manager Designate Charles Brown (345-769-1537) or Information Manager Robert Lewis (345-769-1504) to request information. The Department's telephone number is 345-769-7526, and its Fax is 345-769-2922. For information regarding the Sister Islands, contact Andrea Stevens (Andrea.Stevens@gov.ky, or Tel. 345-244-4422, or Fax 345-948-2422).

#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to the Information Manager at our mailing address:

Planning Department
P. O. Box 31206
Grand Cayman KY1-1205
CAYMAN ISLANDS

Alternatively, for information regarding Cayman Brac or Little Cayman, requests may be addressed to:

Sister Islands Planning Office P.O. Box 235 Cayman Brac KY2-2100 CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

The physical location of the Planning Department on Grand Cayman is:

Leeward 1 Building Regatta Office Park 1158 West Bay Road Grand Cayman Cayman Islands

The physical location of the Sister Islands Planning Office is:

District Administration Building 19 Kirkconnell Street Stake Bay Cayman Brac Cayman Islands

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Information Manager Designate Charles Brown (Charles.Brown@gov.ky or 345-769-1537), or Information Manager Robert Lewis (Robert.Lewis@gov.ky or 345-769-1504). If you require specific clarification from a section or Unit of the Department about information you want to access, please use the contact details below:

Section or Unit	<u>Contact</u>	
Building Control Unit	Tel. 345-769-1528;	Fax. 345-769-2228
Policy Development (Zoning)	Tel. 345-769-1537;	Fax. 345-769-7525
Current Planning	Tel. 345-769-1507;	Fax. 345-769-2922
Administration	Tel. 345-769-1503;	Fax. 345-769-7525
Sister Island Planning Office	Tel. 345-244-4421;	Fax. 345-948-2422

The Department of Planning will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required.

Where a request for inspection of records under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Law has been made, the Department's Information Manager Designate or Information Manager will liaise with the requester to arrange a suitable inspection date and time (in accordance with FOI legislation) at the Planning Department. If the request for inspection is regarding records in the Department available for inspection outside the remit of FOI, please contact the relevant section or unit noted above to arrange for inspection.

## 4. Fees and charges

(Hyperlinks are in italics; press the CTRL button and 'Click' the link to follow it to the document)

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Department of Planning strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge. The Department's fee schedules in accordance with applicable legislation are located on the website as follows:

- Development and Planning Law (2008 Revision)
  - Infrastructure Fund (section 38, pages 31-32)
     http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/FOI/FOI\_Library/The\_Development\_and\_Planning\_ \_Law\_(2008\_Revision).pdf
  - http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/FOI/FOI\_Library/Development\_and\_Planning\_Ame ndment\_No\_1\_Regulations\_2010.pdf
  - Infrastructure Fees Map http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/CP/CP\_Library/Infrastructure\_Fees\_Map.pdf
- Development and Planning Regulations (2006 Revision)
   http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/FOI/FOI\_Library/The\_Development\_and\_Planning\_Regulations (2006 Revision).pdf
  - http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/FOI/FOI\_Library/Development\_and\_Planning\_ Amendment\_No\_1\_Regulations\_2010.pdf
  - Current Planning Application Fees (per First Schedule)
     http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/CP/CP\_Library/Current\_Planning\_Application\_Fee
     s.pdf
  - Building Permit Fees Map (per Second Schedule)
     http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_Library/Building\_Permit\_Fee\_Map\_-\_\_030709.pdf
- Electricity Regulations (2005 Revision)
   http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/FOI/FOI\_Library/Electricity\_Regulations\_(2005\_Revision).pdf
  - Electricity Examination Application (US\$60.00, see instructions at link below)
     http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_Library/Electrical\_License\_Exam\_Application\_2009.pdf
  - Electrical Licensing Exams (US\$60.00, see instructions at link below)
     http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_Library/Electrical\_Licensing\_Exams\_PR\_-21-Apr-09\_PD\_Web\_Version.pdf

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications / illustrations which the *Planning Department* offers for sale. This includes maps and plans as follows:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Charge</u>
Zoning map: 11 inch by 17 inch	\$ 10.00
Zoning map: 24 inch by 36 inch	\$ 50 .00
Zoning map: 36 inch by 60 inch	\$100.00
Plan / blueprint reproduction (any size)	\$ 3.00

These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service. Of course, there is no charge for collection at the Planning Department.

## Reproduction costs

Application forms and similar documents are \$1.00 per page. Copies of Minutes of meetings of Boards and Authority are \$0.50 per page. All of these records may be downloaded from the Department's website www.planning.gov.ky at <u>no</u> cost. Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

Reproduction costs for records that are the subject of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests are specified in the FOI fee schedule located in Section 7 of this document. Note that 'photocopied information' has a different meaning from maps or blueprint reproduction.

#### Postage costs

The Department of Planning will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Records will be provided when the *Planning Department* has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Department of Planning that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing by contacting foi.pln@gov.ky . Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law. Should you wish to submit an FOI application, you may download the relevant form and see the FOI fee schedule at <a href="http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/FOI/Application\_Page.htm">http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/FOI/Application\_Page.htm</a>

## 6. Complaints

The Department of Planning aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact at 769-7526 or foi.pln@gov.ky and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML BODY/FOI/FOI Information Classes.htm

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

(Hyperlinks are in italics; press the CTRL button and 'Click' the link to follow it to the document)

#### Name of public authority

Department of Planning

## **Ministry**

Ministry of Financial Services, Tourism and Development

## Principle officer [or Key staff]

Haroon Pandohie (Director of Planning), Tel. 345-769-7526

Robert Lewis (Assistant Director of Planning, Policy and Strategic Planning), Tel. 345-769-1505

Ron Sanderson (Assistant Director of Planning, Current Planning), Tel. 345-769-1504

Emerson Piercy (Chief Building Control Officer), Tel. 345-769-1521

Linda McLean (Human Resource Manager), Tel. 345-769-1503

Leslie Baptiste (Finance Administrator), Tel. 345-769-1547

Joy Watson (Office Administrator), Tel. 345-769-1512

Andrea Stevens (Planning Officer, Cayman Brac & Little Cayman, 345-244-4422)

#### Information manager

Information Manager: Robert Lewis (Robert.Lewis@gov.ky; 345-769-1505)
Information Manager Designate: Charles Brown (Charles.Brown@gov.ky; 345-769-1537)
Alternatively either person can be reached at foi.pln@gov.ky. You may access detailed information about Freedom of Information (FOI) matters from the FOI Unit's website at www.foi.gov.ky

# Organisation and functions

The Department of Planning's functions are summarized in its mission statement:

"To ensure that all development applications are processed efficiently, courteously, unbiased and in accordance with the development plans and associated legislation so that the physical development of the Islands is aesthetically pleasing, environmentally friendly, sustainable, technically sound, promotes a strong economy, and provides an unparalleled quality of life for existing and for future generations."

The Department of Planning is comprised of five divisions;

Current Planning, Building Control, Policy Development, Strategic Planning, and Administration.

Planning functions on the Sister Islands are handled through the **Sister Islands Planning Office** located in the District Administration Building, Stake Bay, Cayman Brac.

All offices are open to the public from 8:30AM to 5:00PM, Monday to Friday, except public holidays

## **Matters handled**

Each location is the headquarters in the respective Islands for:

- Submission of applications for planning permission and building permits
- Review of applications for planning permission and building permits
- Base for building inspections
- Processing fit-out and Certificate of Occupancy
- Compiling statistics
- Annual reports
- Authority and Board meetings (see next section for names)
- Electrical Examinations (Grand Cayman only)
- Revisions to the Development Plan (Grand Cayman only)
- Process rezone applications (Grand Cayman only)
- Policy advice on planning related matters such as Designating Orders, low cost housing, docks
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS) studies (on Grand Cayman only)
- Appeals Brief

The Building Control Unit (BCU) reviews applications for building permits and inspects the structural, plumbing, electrical and mechanical components of buildings and structures to ensure that Central Planning Authority and Development Control Board approved developments comply with all the codes.

The Current Planning section (CP) is responsible primarily for processing development applications for presentation to the Central Planning Authority (CPA) on Grand Cayman and the Development Control Board (DCB) on the Sister Islands.

The Policy Development section (PD) is responsible for policy preparation and long-range planning issues such as land-use policies, conducting special studies, recommending revisions to the Development Plan, processing rezoning applications, reviewing Designating Order applications and preparing proposed amendments to the Development Plan, Planning Law and Regulations.

The Strategic Planning section was formed in late 2006 in order to address strategic tasks and/or endeavors that are medium to long-term and outcome oriented.

The Administration unit is responsible for finance, human resource matters and support services for all of the department. The Administration Unit includes front counter staff, processing clerks, and others.

The Petroleum Inspectorate is not part of the Planning Department, but has historically maintained a close working relationship with Planning, and thus their website is hosted within the www.planning.gov.ky network.

## **Planning Laws and Regulations**

The Development and Planning Law (2008 Revision)

The Development and Planning (Amendment) Law 2010

The Development and Planning Regulations (2006 Revision)

The Development and Planning (Appeals) Rules

The Development and Planning (Amendment No 1) Regulations (2010)

The Development and Planning (Amendment No 2) Regulations (2010)

# **Building Control Unit Laws and Regulations**

The Building Code Regulations (2006 Revision)

The Electricity Law (2008 Revision)

The Electricity (Amendment) Law, 2008

Electricity Regulations (2005 Revision)

The Dangerous Substances Handling and Storage Law, 2003

# **Builders Board Laws and Regulations**

The Builders Law, 2007 The Builders Regulations, 2008

Website: www.planning.gov.ky

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

(Hyperlinks are in italics; press the CTRL button and 'Click' the link to follow it to the document)

# **Current Planning FAQs**

The Current Planning division often hears the same questions from applicants repeatedly. Below are some of the most frequently asked questions, and typical answers we respond with. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

## Q: Do I need planning permission to construct a house?

A: Yes. Almost all development on Grand Cayman requires planning permission, including excavation, land clearing, advertising signs, pools, cabanas, sheds, houses, apartments, commercial buildings, and many more. Please contact the Planning Department to see if your development requires planning permission.

# Q: I need to notify neighbours regarding a development proposal. Can the Planning Department provide me with a list of addresses?

A: No. The Department of Planning can provide you with information on how many of your neighbour's must be polled (i.e. 250 foot radius, neighbouring properties, etc.), but Lands and Surveys is the agency which can provide addresses. Lands and Surveys is located in BritCay House on Eastern Avenue.

Notification Distances are typically as follows:

Type/size of Proposed Development	Zone	Notice Radius
Commercial	Commercial	300 ft
Non-residential uses	Residential	500 ft
Industrial	Industrial	300 ft
Institutional	Any	300 ft
Hotel	Hotel	300 ft
Apartments (3- 5 units)	Residential	150 ft
Apartments (6-10 units)	Residential	250 ft
Apartments (11 or more units)	Residential	450 ft
Subdivision (up to 5 lots)	Any	150 ft
Subdivision (6 - 10 lots)	Any	250 ft
Subdivision (11 or more lots)	Any	450 ft

# Q: I suspect my neighbour is building an illegal development. What can I do?

A: Please contact our enforcement staff immediately. This website has a complaint form you can use, or you can call our enforcement staff at 769-7526.

More Information Available at:

http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/CP/CP\_FAQs\_Text.htm

# **Building Control Unit FAQs**

The Building Control Unit often hears the same questions from applicants repeatedly. Below are some of the most frequently asked questions, and typical answers we respond with. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

## Q: Is there a building code for the Cayman Islands?

A: Yes. There are codes for Building / Structural, Plumbing, Mechanical, Electrical, Gas, Seismic and Wind.

# Q: Do commercial fit-outs require building permits?

A: Yes. If a fit-out constitutes a change of use, it will also require approval from the Central Planning Authority.

## Q: Do I need a building permit to construct a shed?

A: Yes. All structures in the Cayman Islands require a building permit, and many also require planning permission

# Q: Do I need to have a license to operate as an electrical contractor in the Cayman Islands?

A: Yes. The Building Control Unit administers the Electrical Licensing program. Application forms are available at:

http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_Elec\_Contractor\_Licensing.htm or from the Department.

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_FAQs\_Text.htm

# **Policy Development FAQs**

The Policy Development division often hears the same questions from applicants repeatedly. Below are some of the most frequently asked questions, and typical answers we respond with. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

# Q: Does the Development Plan address land use and planning issues on Little Cayman and Cayman Brac?

A: No. The Development Plan only addresses Grand Cayman. Separate legislation is in place to govern planning issues on the Sister Islands.

# Q: Is the Development Plan the only piece of legislation relating to planning on Grand Cayman?

A: No. There are a number of pieces of legislation which address planning issues in the Cayman Islands. The 'enabling' legislation, which creates the basis for planning in the Cayman Islands, is the Development and Planning Law (2008 Revision). This law determines what the Government can regulate, powers of enforcement, and how decisions can be appealed. The Development and Planning Regulations (2006 Revision) is the legislative version of the Development Plan. This legislation addresses permitted land uses, densities, building heights, and a range of other details. In addition to these two core pieces of legislation, there are many other key pieces of legislation, including the Building Code Regulations (2006 Revision), Tree Preservation Orders (1998), the Appeals Tribunal (Development Plan) Procedural Rules 1975,

Designating Orders (2005 Revision), and the Development and Planning (Appeals) Rules (1999

# Q: Is there a procedure to change the zoning designation on a piece of land?

A: Yes. There is a rezoning process which applicants can pursue. The Planning Department recommends that the timeframe for processing these applications is currently about 12 months. An overview of the rezoning process is available at this link: Overview of the Rezoning Process

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/PD/PD\_FAQs\_Text.htm

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Revision).

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## **Strategic Planning Overview**

The Strategic Planning section was formed in late 2006 in order to address tasks and/or endeavors that focus on desired organization changing strategies which are medium to long-

term, non-routine, qualitative, and outcome oriented. This section initially is responsible for work on internal processes to enhance efficiency, such as developing a Department-wide procedure manual that will detail the submittal and review procedures for all planning and building permit applications, as well as outline processes of all sections of the Department.

The remit also comprises the identification and development of long-range strategic planning initiatives. An example include reviewing and recommending changes to planning laws, regulation, policies, procedures and practices for compatibility with the goals of national initiatives, such as the Freedom of Information Law, the National Assessment of Living Conditions, and Hazard Management.

Finally, the section is charged with promoting and disseminating best practice information and strategies, as strategic planning utilizes the best practices of the day in a contextual manner in the interest of serving stakeholders in the planning process to the best of the Department's ability.

Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/STRAT/STRAT\_Overview\_Text.htm

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

(Hyperlinks are in italics; press the CTRL button and 'Click' the link to follow it to the document)

# **Policy Development Division Overview**

The Policy Development section (PD) is responsible for policy preparation and long-range planning issues such as land-use policies, conducting special studies, making revisions to the Development Plan, processing rezoning applications and preparing proposed amendments to the Development Plan, Planning Law and Regulations.

The Policy section also manages planning-related Geographic Information Systems (GIS).

Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/PD\_Overview\_Text.htm

## **Development Plan**

Review of the Development Plan is conducted by the Policy Development Section and updates of the review process are posted in this space.

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/PD/PD\_Development\_Plan\_Text.htm

## **Policy Development Documents Library**

Below are links to the Policy Development division's online library, which is available to the public free of charge. More information is available in the Development Plan Revisions section of our website.

Overview of the Rezoning Process

2001 Planning Department Annual Report

2002 Planning Department Annual Report

2003 Planning Department Annual Report

Recommendations for the Sustainable Development of Cayman Brac

Agricultural Land Capability of the Cayman Islands - A Report by Dr. N. Ahmad of the University of the West Indies

Central Planning Authority Aggregate Policy (CH2M Hill Study)
National Tourism Management Plan 2009- 2013
Go East - A Strategy for the Sustainable Development of the Eastern Districts of Grand Cayman

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/PD/PD\_Document\_Library\_Text.htm

## **Draft CPA Policy Documents**

This section of the website will act as a distribution centre for the public and stakeholders to review and provide feedback on in-progress policy initiatives. Anyone looking for adopted Planning policies should consult the Document Library.

Landscape Guidelines
Fence and Wall Guidelines
Stormwater Management Guidelines Document
Stormwater Infrastructure Calculator
Industrial Design Guidelines
Sign Design Guidelines

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML BODY/PD/PD\_Policy\_Drafts.htm

# **Planning Department Procedures Manual**

The procedures manual assembles and updates important planning process matters for the benefit of existing staff, new employees and the Planning Department's customers. It is a "how to" document, structured to explain various parts of the planning process and to provide necessary supplementary information as appendices.

It is expected that the manual will be constantly updated based on amendments to law, regulations, policies, guidelines, procedures and best practice. Logistically, it is impractical to include every possible matter relating to working in the Planning Department in the document. Therefore, the manual also includes hyperlinks to where excluded but relevant information can be located on the Cayman Islands Government intranet or the Department's server.

Portions of the Procedures Manual which deal with personnel or human resources issues are restricted to Planning Department users and are not available for public review.

More Information Available at:

http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/STRAT/STRAT\_Procedures\_Manual.htm

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

(Hyperlinks are in italics; press the CTRL button and 'Click' the link to follow it to the document)

#### **Administration Overview**

The Administration Unit is responsible for the processing of Planning Fees, and provides support services for the Building Control Unit (BCU), Current Planning (CP) and Policy Development (PD). The Administration Unit includes front counter staff, processing clerks, and others. Employment and Human Resources is also under the purview of the Administration Unit. More Information Available at: <a href="http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML">http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML</a> BODY/ADMIN/ADMIN\_Overview Text.htm

# **Planning Department Employment Opportunities**

Employment Application Forms
Cayman Islands Government Application Form

Please address all applications to:

Chief HR Officer,
Ministry of District Administration, Planning, Agriculture & Housing,
4th floor Government Administration Building,
71A Elgin Avenue,
George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-9000
CAYMAN ISLANDS
recruitment.DAPAH@gov.ky

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/ADMIN/ADMIN\_Employment\_Text.htm

## The Department of Planning Staff Directories

Administration Staff Directory

Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/ADMIN/ADMIN\_Staff\_Directory\_Text.htm

**Current Planning Staff Directory** 

Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/CP/CP\_Staff\_Directory\_Text.htm

BCU Staff Directory

Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_Staff\_Directory\_Text.htm

Strategic Planning Staff Directory

Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/STRAT/STRAT\_Staff\_Directory\_Text.htm

Policy Development Staff Directory

Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/PD\_Staff\_Directory\_Text.htm

Planning Department Organizational Chart

Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/ADMIN/ADMIN\_Library/Staff\_Complement\_January\_09.pdf

#### **Finance**

#### **Budgets allocated to each Public Authority**

Budget statements for the Planning Department can be found at the link below: http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1593653&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

**Annual Reports** for the Department are located in:

Policy Development Documents Library in the 'Policy and Procedures Section' above.

#### **Staff Pay and Grading Structures** are available in the:

The Planning Departments Procedures Manual

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPLICATION FEES

Schedule 3 (Regulation 14) of The Freedom of Information (General) Regulations, 2008 (Fees are to be tabulated by the Information Manager or assigned Records Officer)

This Schedule prescribes the fees for <u>standard formats</u>, which shall be supported (as applicable) by all public authorities providing copies of records under the Freedom of Information Law.

Copies may be made available in <u>non-standard formats</u>, at a price to be determined by the public authority, not exceeding the actual material and labour costs incurred to produce the copy.

- 1. Photocopy:
- (a) Black and white copy (all sizes) \$1.00 per page;
- (b) Color copy (all sizes) \$1.50 per page.
- 2. Photographs:
- (a) Black and white / colour (digital photographic print from digital file, scanned hardcopy or existing negative);
- (i) 8 ½ x 11 (or smaller) \$5.00;
- (ii) 8 ½ x 14 \$7.50;
- (iii) 11 x 17 \$10.00;
- (b) Black and white (photocopy or standard print-out) \$1.00;
- (c) Colour (photocopy or standard print-out) \$1.50.
- 3. Conversion of an analogue audio or video record (e.g. tape or reel-to-reel) into digital MP3 or DivX file format: an amount that does not exceed the actual costs incurred by the authority, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the conversion, plus the purchase cost of any carrier medium (compact disc or DVD).
- 4. Microfilm duplication 35 mm (\$ 1, 500.00 per roll of 1, 000 ft microfilm; minimum order of 10ft at a cost of \$ 150.00. Microfilm duplication 16 mm (\$380.00 per roll of 100 ft microfilm. A minimum order of 10ft at a cost of \$ 38.00.Microfilm print-out Black and white copy (all sizes) \$1.00 per page.
- 5. Transcripts an amount that does not exceed the actual costs incurred by the authority, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the transcription.
- 6. Conversion of a microfilm record into digital JPEG file format: an amount that does not exceed the actual costs incurred by the authority, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the conversion, plus the purchase cost of any carrier medium (compact disc or DVD).
- 7. Blue print reproduction (\$3.00 per sheet).
- 8. Maps and plans (\$5.00 per page).
- 9. Print-out of a digital document or database report Black and White copy (all sizes) \$1.00 per page.
- 10. Provision of a digital record (text or image) in standard PDF, JPEG or TIF file format:
- (a) by email -no charge;
- (b) on compact disc or DVD \$2.00.
- 11. Conversion of a paper record (text or image) into digital PDF, JPEG or TIF file format: the actual costs incurred by the authority, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the conversion, plus the purchase cost of any carrier medium (compact disc or DVD).
- 12. Digital text files converted to audio formats for visually impaired the actual costs incurred by the Computer Services Department, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the conversion, plus the purchase cost of any carrier medium.
- 13. Posting of record: Where access to the record to which the request relates is to be given in the form of the provision of a copy of the record and the copy provided is, at the request of the applicant, to be sent by post or courier, a charge in respect of the posting or delivery of the copy not exceeding the actual cost of post or delivery.

- 14. Shipping cost (actual cost of shipping method chosen by applicant and a preparation charge of \$20.00).
- 15. Expedited service: \$ 50.00 payable on making the application.

For more on **Fee Structures** please see 'Section 4. Fees and Charges' above.

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

(Hyperlinks are in italics; press the CTRL button and 'Click' the link to follow it to the document)

## **Central Planning Authority (CPA)**

The Central Planning Authority (CPA) is a statutory authority appointed by Cabinet to oversee and review the physical development of Grand Cayman. The primary function of the CPA is to prepare development plans and ensure that development proposals conform to the plan.

The Authority's role is defined by law as "to secure consistency and continuity in the framing and execution of a comprehensive policy approved by Cabinet. With respect to the use and development of the land in the islands which this law applies in accordance with the Development Plan for the Islands." The Authority consists of 13 members representing all six electoral districts. The Chairman of the Development Control Board is automatically a member of the CPA. To learn more about the Central Planning Authority, please click on any of the links below:

CPA Overview (Mandate, Members, etc...)

CPA Meeting Agendas and Minutes (2009)

CPA Meeting Schedule (2009)

CPA Meeting Minutes (2008)

CPA Meeting Minutes (2007)

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/CP/CP\_CPA\_Intro\_Text.htm

#### **Development Control Board (DCB)**

The Development Control Board (DCB) has a similar role to the CPA but oversees development on Cayman Brac and Little Cayman. Please click on any of the links below to learn more:

DCB Overview (Mandate, Members, etc...)

DCB Meeting Minutes (2009)

DCB Meeting Schedule (2009)

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/CP/CP\_DCB\_Intro\_Text.htm

# **Electrical Board of Examiners**

The Building Control Unit (BCU), in conjunction with the Electrical Board of Examiners (EBE), oversees the assignment and administration of licensing Electrical Contractors in the Cayman Islands. The EBE administers an entry examination, and meets regularly to review candidate's applications. For more information about becoming a licensed Electrical Contractor, please contact the Building Control Unit at (345) 769-7526.

# The Following Information Titles and more are available at:

http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_Elec\_Contractor\_Licensing.htm

EBE Meeting Minutes (2009)

**EBE Meeting Schedule** 

EBE Meeting Minutes (2008)

Wireman Examination Information

Electrical License Examination Information

Application Forms and Additional Information

2009 Cayman Islands Electrical Examination Application

June 2009 Wireman Exam Notice

May 2009 Electrical Licensing Exams Notice

2009 Electrical Contractors' License Deadline Extended

#### **Builders Board**

Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_Builders\_Board.htm

# **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Central Planning Authority (CPA)	The CPA meets twice monthly at the Regatta Office Park (see above for location). Meetings are open to invited applicants, objectors or other interested parties.	Minutes and agendas of CPA meetings from 2007 to date are available for free at the following link: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML_BODY/CP/CP_CPA_Intro_Text.htm Refer to section 3 for accessing Minutes of meetings prior to 2007.
Development Control Board (DCB)	The DCB meets twice monthly at the District Administration Building, Cayman Brac. Meetings are open to invited applicants, objectors or other interested parties	Minutes and agendas of DCB meetings from 2007 to date are available for free at the following link:  http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML_BODY/CP/CP_DCB_Intro_Text.htm
Electrical Board of Examiners (EBE)	EBE Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month. At the Regatta Office Park.	Minutes and agendas of EBE meetings from 2008 to date are available for free at the following link: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML_BODY/BCU/BCU_Elec_Contractor_Licensing.htm
		Meeting Notes are used for internal

Planning Law	Meets weekly.	processes reviews.
and		
Regulations		
Review		
Committee		

#### LISTS & REGISTERS

(Hyperlinks are in italics; press the CTRL button and 'Click' the link to follow it to the document)

#### **FOI: Classes of Information**

#### **Classes of Information Held**

The Planning Department maintains files related to Planning and Building Control applications, as well as Policy Development records, Strategic Planning records, and Administration records. Most of these files are maintained in hard copy, although some recent applications may also contain electronic (PDF) files, such as building plans. FOI applicants are encouraged to state the Block and Parcel information for the subject parcel they are interested in prior to making an application, as this is one of the key ways we can search for a file.

## **Information Already Published**

The Planning website (www.planning.gov.ky) contains application forms, Central Planning Authority minutes, meeting schedules, applicable laws and regulations, contact information and annual reports. We recommend FOI applicants to first consult the website to determine whether or not the information they are looking for has already been published.

**Annual Report -** Annual reports for the Planning Department can be found in the Forms and Document section of the Policy Development webpage.

## **Status of Building Permit Applications**

The current status of Building Permit Applications can be determined through the Planning Department's online tracking system, ETrakit. This website is available at https://www.etrakit.planning.gov.ky

Summary statistics are compiled in each year's Annual Report, and sometimes on a monthly / quarterly basis.

## **Complaints Procedure**

An online feedback form is available for users to get in touch with the Planning department and voice any concerns or complaints about the service they have received.

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/FOI/FOI\_Information\_Classes.htm

# **FOI: Disclosure Log**

This is a web page that contains a **disclosure log** detailing all the Planning Department's FOI requests, including outcomes. If you have any questions about this material please contact the Planning Department's FOI Information Manager

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/FOI/FOI\_Disclosure\_Log.htm

**Planning Applications Register** – 6 Books held with the department detailing applications of the 1990's, 1980's and the late 1970's. Information within these documents are available through the FOI process.

**Planning Applications and Construction Documents** – Retained in physical or electronic formats. Information may be withheld if its release may harm a *Department* customer's commercial interests.

**Trak-IT** – The Department's Electronic Records Database and Document Storage System. Sections of this database are available to the public through ETrakIT, other sections are available to Agents of the Department of Planning and some sections of this database are for internal use only.

**Jade** – The FOI Decision and Correspondence Database. This information documents the FOI process for each application and is therefore not public information except where allowable under the FOI Law.

**Asset Register** – The Register of the Department of Planning's physical Assets. This document is for internal use.

#### **OUR SERVICES BY SECTION**

## **Current Planning Overview**

Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/CP/CP\_Overview\_Text.htm

The Current Planning section (CP) is responsible primarily for processing development applications for presentation to the Central Planning Authority (CPA) on Grand Cayman and the Development Control Board (DCB) on the Sister Islands.

Planning permission is required for a range of developments, including houses, apartments, commercial buildings, land clearing, advertising signs, pools, cabanas, sheds, and many more. Current Planning's primary responsibility is to ensure that development proposals are in accordance with the Development Plan, Planning Law and associated Regulations and Policies. Current Planning is also responsible for code enforcement. Emphasis is on compliancy by preventing rather than removing illegal development and uses through staff contact the issuance of Enforcement and Stop Work Notices.

## **Current Planning Forms and Documents**

Below are lists of the Current Planning's document library, which provides application forms, as well as background information on a number of topic areas. Anyone considering submitting an application is encouraged to read through these documents first.

## **Current Planning Application Forms**

Ancillary and Temporary Buildings, Tents, Containers, Storage, Gazebos, Cabanas -

Application Form

Antenna / Wind Turbine - Application Form

Sign - Application Form

Clearing Land - Application Form

Docks, Seawalls, Davits and Boat Landings - Application Form

Excavation and / or Filling - Application Form

Fence, Pool, Satellite Dish, Wall - Application Form

Generators & Storage Tanks - Application Form

House, Duplex - Application Form

Major Application - Commercial, Institutional, Apartment, Hotel, Industrial, Modification, Change

of Use - Application Form

Modification of Planning Permission - Application Form

Rezoning - Application Form

Subdivision - Application Form

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# **Current Planning Application Information Sheets**

Antenna - Application Information

Apartments - Application Information

Cabana - Application Information

Change of Use - Application Information

Commercial Building - Application Information

Container or Storage Building - Application Information

Docks and Seawalls - Application Information

Excavation and / or Filling - Application Information

Generators & Storage Tanks - Application Information

Hotels - Application Information

House Additions (10% Rule) - Application Information

House, Duplex - Application Information

Industrial Buildings - Application Information

Pools - Application Information

Rezoning - Application Information

Satellite Dishes - Application Information

Sign or Advertisement - Application Information - Application Information

Subdivision - Application Information

Tents - Application Information

Walls and Fences - Application Information

# **Current Planning Other Documentation**

Current Planning Applications - External Agency Circulation List

**Current Planning Application Fees** 

Infrastructure Fees Map

Notice of Application for Planning Permission - Notification Template

Parking Lot and Stall Design Diagrams

Trade and Business License - Request for Planning Department Reference Letter

October 30th, 2008 - Planning Department Presentation to Industry Partners

Polling\_Requriments\_for\_Special\_Projects\_1500 feet Polling\_Requriments\_for\_Typical\_Projects

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML BODY/CP/CP\_Document\_Library.htm

# **Current Planning E-Project (ETrakIT)**

The Planning Department is currently testing a project tracking system called ETrakit which will allow applicants to follow their planning application online. A draft of this system is available at <a href="https://www.etrakit.planning.gov.ky">https://www.etrakit.planning.gov.ky</a>

For telephone inquiries regarding Planning Project status, please call the Planning Department at (345) 769-7526. Ensure that you have your block and parcel number ready prior to calling.

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/CP/CP\_E-Project.htm

# **Zoning Inquiry**

The link on this page will open up a PDF file containing zoning information for all parcels on Grand Cayman, including information on overlay zones (such as the Historic Overlay and Water Lenses). Use the instructions on the initial page to jump to your Block, and then search for your Parcel to preview your zoning.

Please be patient as the document may take up to 1 minute to load.

This information is intended only as an initial reference, and does not replace the Development Plan (1997), its Schedules or subsequent revisions, the Development and Planning Law (2005 Revision), the Development and Planning Regulations (2006 Revision), or any other adopted Law or associated Schedule. Please note that properties may also be affected by other legislation including but not limited to Lands for Public Purposes (LPP). For an official zoning inquiry, please contact the Planning Department at (345) 769-7526.

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/CP/CP\_Zoning\_Inquiry\_Text.htm

# Report a Violation

A Note pad is available online at the link below that allows you to send an anonymous message to us or you can contact us directly on 769-7526.

Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/CP/CP\_Report\_Violation\_Text.htm

## **Planning Department Feedback**

Feedback is monitored and received through all sections of the department but a compliment or complaint can be made formally through the use of the form below.

Compliment / Complaint Form

More Information Available at:

http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/STRAT/STRAT\_Department\_Feedback\_Text.htm

## **BCU Overview**

The Building Control Unit (BCU) reviews applications for building permits and inspects the structural, plumbing and electrical components of buildings and structures to ensure that Central Planning Authority and Development Control Board approved developments comply with all the codes. Typical inspection areas include Structural, Plumbing, Electrical and Mechanical.

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_Overview\_Text.htm

## **BCU Forms & Documents**

Below are links to the BCU's document library, which provides application forms, as well as background information on a number of topic areas. Anyone considering submitting an application is encouraged to read through these documents first.

# **BCU Application Forms**

Building Inspection Request Form
Electrical Inspection Request Form
Building Permit - Application Form
Certificate of Occupancy - Application Form
Electrical License - Application Form
Electrical Contractor - Application and Renewal Form
Liquid Petroleum Gas Application Form
Generators & Storage Tanks - Application Form
Special Electrical Service Connection - Application Form
2009 Cayman Islands Electrical Examination Application

## **Elevator Documents**

**Elevator Conveyance Permit Application** 

#### **ETrakit Documents**

Contractor Database Registration Form

Submittal Checklist - Houses and Duplexes

## **BCU Other Information**

Building Codes in use in the Cayman Islands
BCU 'Blue Sheets' - Local Amendments to Adopted Building Codes
BCU Policy Statements
Building Permit Fee Map
Procedure to Obtain a CO
Electrical Equipment Support Requirements (revised\_21-Apr-09)
Residential Egress Window Guidelines
BCU Statistics
Typical BCU Inspection Process
Generators\_and\_Storage\_Tanks\_Procedure\_Information
Fit-out Check List Form
Submittal Checklist - Commercial & Multi-Family

Main Electrical Panel Template
Agricultural Power Application Checklist
Electronic Submittal Guidelines
Electronic Submittal - How To Create A Bookmarked PDF Document
Magazine Article - Building Permits by the numbers
October 30th, 2008 - Planning Department Presentation to Industry Partners

More information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_Document\_Library\_Text.htm

# **BCU E- Permit (ETrakIT)**

The Planning Department is currently testing a permit tracking system called ETrakit which will allow applicants to follow their application online.

A draft of this system is available at https://www.etrakit.planning.gov.ky

If you are a contractor / architect / agent, please email etrakit@gov.ky for a log-in PIN. You may need to be added to the Contractor Database. If so, please complete the Contractor Database Registration Form and submit it to BCU.

For telephone inquiries regarding Building Permit status, please call the Building Control Unit at (345) 769-7526. Ensure that you have your block and parcel number ready prior to calling.

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_EPermit\_Text.htm

# **BCU Links**

Below is a list of websites which may be of interest for BCU clients. Click on these links to open their websites in a new window. Please note that the Planning Department takes no responsibility for content posted on these sites.

- 1. International Code Council www.iccsafe.org
- 2. National Fire Protection Association www.nfpa.org
- 3. U.S. Green Building Council www.usgbc.org

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/BCU/BCU\_Links\_Text.htm

## 2008 World Town Planning Day Awards

Five individuals who've made significant contributions to Planning in Grand Cayman were honoured at the Central Planning Authority awards on November 20th. Held as part of this month's World Town Planning Day activities, the awards recognized outstanding contribution to preservation, development, and planning as well as for lifetime achievement.

The award winners were:

Preservation: Mrs. Gina Ebanks-Petrie (Bio)

**Development:** The family of the late Capt. Rayal B. Bodden, Sr., MBE, JP (Bio)

Planning: The family of the late Mr. Haig Bodden, MBE (Bio)
Outstanding Past CPA Member: Mr. Attlee Bodden (Bio)

**Lifetime Achievement:** The family of the late Dr. Marco Giglioli, OBE (Bio)

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/STRAT/STRAT\_CPA\_Awards\_2008.htm

# **FOI: Application Information**

FOI applications to the Planning Department can be made using the following form: Planning Department FOI Application Form

An FOI application can be made to amend or annotate a personal record using the following form:

Planning Department FOI Amendment or Annotation Form

Please note that there may be fees associated with your application. Details can be obtained by viewing the

FOI Fee Schedule under the Administration and Finance heading of this section above.

More Information Available at: http://www.planning.gov.ky/HTML\_BODY/FOI\_Application\_Page.htm



# **Cayman Islands Fire Service**

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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## 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Cayman Islands Fire Service to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Cayman Islands Fire Service will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Cayman Islands Fire Service will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Cayman Islands Fire Service, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Cayman Islands Fire Service (CIFS) (or another organization's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the Service.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

## 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

## Online

Some of our documents are published electronically on the CIFS website at www.cifs.gov.ky and can be downloaded in PDF format.

If you are still having trouble locating information listed using the CIFS website, please contact the FOI Information Manager Rosworth McLaughlin at 949-2276 or direct line at 244-3915 or email at rosworth.mclaughlin@gov.ky or foi.fre@gov.ky

# **Email**

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.fre@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

# **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call Rosworth McLaughlin at 949-2276 or direct line at 244-3915 or email at rosworth.mclaughlin@gov.ky or foi.fre@gov.ky to request information.

## **Post**

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to: Rosworth McLaughlin at Cayman Islands Fire Service, 148 Owen Roberts Drive, P.O. Box 1804, Grand Cayman KY1-1109, Cayman Islands.

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See *section 4: Fees and charges* for further details.)

## Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Rosworth McLaughlin at 949-2276 or direct line at 244-3915 or email at rosworth.mclaughlin@gov.ky or foi.fre@gov.ky.

The Cayman Islands Fire Service will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Cayman Islands Fire Service is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Cayman Islands Fire Service strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

## Postage costs

The Cayman Islands Fire Service will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information of the FOI regulations.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Cayman Islands Fire Service has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Cayman Islands Fire Service that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing.

Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law by contacting FOI Information Manager Rosworth McLaughlin at 949-2276 or direct line at 244-3915 or email at rosworth.mclaughlin@gov.ky or foi.fre@gov.ky.

## 6. Complaints

The Cayman Islands Fire Service aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Rosworth McLaughlin at 949-2276 or direct line at 244-3915 or email at rosworth.mclaughlin@gov.ky or foi.fre@gov.ky and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from Rosworth McLaughlin at 949-2276 or direct line at 244-3915 or email at rosworth.mclaughlin@gov.ky or foi.fre@gov.ky.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office,

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: 1 345 747 5402

Email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Ministry
  - Strategic Management
  - Finance & Administration
  - o Laws & Regulations
- Organization and Function
- CIFS Laws & Regulations
- CIFS Guidelines
- Board and Committees
- CIFS Policies & Procedures
- Permits Granted
- Inspections & Recommendations
- List of Information Held

# **ABOUT US**

The Fire Department is a hierarchal organization which was established in 1956 as an Airport Fire Service with an Airport Fire Officer in command.

In 1980 the role of Chief Fire Officer was established because of the Domestic Service which was formed in 1979 and joined with Aerodrome Service.

The Fire Department is primarily a fire fighting and rescue service. There are currently 3 stations in Grand Cayman, located in West Bay, George Town, and Frank Sound. There is 1 in Cayman Brac and 1 in Little Cayman.

There are 146 personnel employed by the Fire Service. It is the only such service within the Cayman Islands and is called on to deal with a variety of incidents such as aircraft accidents, fires, building collapses, road accidents, situations requiring rescue techniques, and fire prevention. The Department plays a role in Hurricane preparedness and actually carries out rescue operations while the storm is in progress, at considerable risk to life and limb.

#### **Ministry**

Cayman Islands Fire Service operates under the Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development (Min. F, T&D)

# STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the Departments operations at the organisational level; developing strategic plans; setting short, medium and long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve service processes while ensuring consistent service delivery.

# FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the Departments internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

## Financial management\*

- Finance and Accounting
- Annual Budget
- Financial statements; Half-yearly / quarterly reports
- Sources of revenue: Investments: Capital programme
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures
- Allowances and expenses
- List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; Recently-awarded contracts

#### Administration\*

- Insurance policies
- Press releases
- Job vacancies
- Career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Training and Safety
- Human Resources

# LAWS & REGULATIONS FOR CIVIL SERVICE

# **Financial Management**

- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
- July 2008 Annual Salary Scale for Salaried Staff and Hourly Rates for bi-weekly employees.
- 2008 Pay Schedule Monthly and weekly pay dates for 2008
- 2007 Pay Scales Annual Salary Scale for Salaried Staff January 2007

# **Administration & Human Resource Management**

- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Public Servant Code of Conduct Code of Conduct for Civil Servants 05-Dec-2007

<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

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Labour Law (1996 Revision)

# **Records Management**

- Chief Secretary's Code of Practice on Record Management
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- National Achieve and Public Records Law

# **Minister**

The Premier & Minister for Financial Services, Tourism and Development Hon. W. McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP

# **Chief Officer**

Mr Carson Ebanks, MBE, JP

**Physical Address:** 

4th Floor, Government Administration Building,

George Town, Grand Cayman

Mailing Address:

4th Floor, Government Administration Building,

Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: (345) 244-2412
Fax: (345) 945-2922
Email foi.mte@gov.ky.
Website: under construction

Hours of Work: 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

# **Cayman Islands Fire Service Principle Officers**

Chief Fire Officer Mr. Dennom Bodden

Deputy Chief Fire Officer Administration Mr. Rosworth McLaughlin, JP

Deputy Chief Fire Officer Domestic VACANT

Deputy Chief Fire Officer Aerodrome
Senior Divisional Officer CYB & LCM
Human Resource Manager
Finance Manager

Mr. Steve Webster
Mr. Gary Scott
Miss. Ellakay Watler
Ms. Jenny Powery

# **CIFS Contact Details**

# **Grand Cayman Office Address:**

Physical address:

#148 Owen Roberts Drive

Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 1804

#148 Owen Roberts Drive

George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1109

Email: foi.fre@gov.ky Website: www.cifs.gov.ky

Hours of Work: 8.30am-5pm, Monday-Friday

## **Location of Sub Stations:**

West Bay - Telephone: 949-1188

#2204 West Bay Road

Frank Sound - Telephone: 949-3248 or 949-3249

#403 Frank Sound Road

# **Cayman Brac and Litte Cayman Office Address:**

Cayman Brac - #57 Gerrard Drive

Telephone: 948-1245 or 9481293 Fax: 948-1292

Little Cayman - Telephone: 948-0011

# Mailing Address:

P.O Box 107, Cayman Brac KY2-2207

Tel: 345-948-1245 Fax: 345-948-1292 Email: foi.fre@gov.ky Website: www.cifs.gov.ky

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Website: www.cifs.gov.ky

## ORGANISATION AND FUNCTIONS

## **RESPONSIBILITIES & FUNCTIONS OF CIFS**

## 1. FIRE PREVENTION

Enforcement of Cayman Islands fire prevention code and fire prevention section of the fire brigade law for all commercial development; inspection of liquor licensing premises; tourist accommodations premises in compliance with laws/codes. Fire investigation for vehicles and buildings that are involved in a fire and public safety education; elimination and reduction of fire hazards; standards of access to an egress from building. Issue permits for commercial fire works.

# 2. AERODROME

The aim of the Aerodrome section is to save lives in the event of an aircraft accident or incident. This contingency must assume the possibility of, and the need to, extinguish a fire. The most important factors bearing on an effective rescue in a survivable aircraft accident or incident are the training received, the effectiveness of the equipment and the speed with which personnel and equipment can be brought to bear.

# 3. DOMESTIC

The aim of the Domestic section is to deal with all other fire situations, to save lives in the event of an accident or incident, building collapses, road accidents, situations requiring rescue techniques and tools such as Jaws of Life.

This contingency must assume the possibility of, and the need to, extinguish a fire. The most important factors bearing on an effective rescue in a survivable accident or incident are the training received, the effectiveness of the equipment and the speed with which personnel and equipment can be brought to bear.

# 4. THE CONTROL ROOM

Handles all emergency communications and is connected directly to Air Traffic Control, 911, RCIPS, CUC, the Cayman Brac and Little Cayman Stations in efforts to avert any calamity.

They have connections with other departments, companies, and people of interest, such as the petrol companies, Hazard Management Office, and the water companies.

They dispatch fire personnel and appliances to scenes based on the call or radio communication requesting assistance. They filter incoming calls to the main line and pass non emergency or administrative calls to the administrative section.

# **CIFS LAWS & REGULATIONS**

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- Fire Brigade Law 21 of 2007 revision
- Public service management Law 2007 and regulations 2006
- Public Management and Finance Law 2005
- The Freedom of Information law 2007

## **CIFS GUIDELINES**

Complaints/Requests Procedure Guidelines

## **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

Currently, (Dec 2009) there are no functioning committees within the Cayman Islands Fire Service. CIFS officers are asked to produce incident reports/fire reports. Officers also make recommendations to other government entities and the public sector as required.

# **CIFS POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

In addition to the laws and regulations listed above the following policies and procedures are used by CIFS.

- Complaints-handling procedure
- Human Resource policies & procedures
- Hurricane Preparedness manual
- Hazardous Materials policy and procedures
- Operational Orders

# LIST OF FORMS USED (External & Internal)

- Application Form Fire work permit
- Building inspection

## **List of Brochures at CIFS**

CAREERS in the Cayman Islands Fire Service

# **PERMITS GRANTED**

The only permits that CIFS grant are:-

- Fire work permits
- Building inspection

Request for information concerning permits not issued by CIFS will have to be directed to the public authority that has responsibilities for issuing a particular permit.

# **INSPECTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Inspections by CIFS Officers are documented through reports, certificates of pass or recommendation based on their findings. Many of these reports or recommendations can be access by the public under the FOI law.

# List of inspections carried out by CIFS

- Fire Safety inspections
  - o Bars
  - Restaurants that have liquor license
- Tourist Accommodation inspections
  - Hotels
  - o Condo
  - Guest houses
- · Government Buildings inspections
  - Schools primary, secondary, tertiary
  - Daycares
- Building Inspection

- o Residential apartments
- o Commercial
- o Industrial
- o Government buildings
- o Fire alarm testing

# **CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD**

Classes of information held is a method used for collection of similar types. The Cayman Islands Fire Services information has been categorized in various broad groups of responsibilities for easy reference and retrieval. If you intend to make a request, the following classes of information will aid you in determining the specific types and location of records being requested. The following classes are

Classes of	Restrictions & Accessibility to information
Information	
Emergency	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI
Response	law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or
	private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.
Personal / Human	Access to information restricted to the relevant personnel.
Resource records	
Inspections reports	Majority of information can be access by the public using FOI.
& recommendations	Access is restricted for personal information concerning clients or
	private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.
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Fire Prevention	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI
	law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or
	private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.
	Services paid for by private entities are the property of the payee
	unless the information is prejudice to health & human safety.
Financial information	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI
i.e. accounts, budget	law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or
	private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.
Tender Contracts	FOI request concerning this type of information should be directed to
	the Ministry of MOT.
Fire Equipment	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI
Management	law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or
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Strategic	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI
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# **Department of Commerce and Investment**

# **2011 Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Department of Commerce and Investment (DCI) to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Department of Commerce and Investment will:

- specify the information held by the Department, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- Regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Department of Commerce and Investment will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
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- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- Information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

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If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

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## Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at www.investcayman.gov.ky If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact; Lolita Bodden – lbodden@dci.gov.ky

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at investcayman.gov.ky or lbodden@dci.gov.ky or foidci@investcayman.gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

## Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call our main line at 945 0943 or 948-2400 to request information.

# <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Miss Lolita Bodden
Information Manager
Department of Commerce and Investment
Stake Bay Road
Bodden & Bodden Building
P.O. Box 232
Cayman Brac KY2-2101
CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

# Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

# Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact: Lolita Bodden, Information Manager at 345 945 0943 main office or 345 948 32400 direct. Bodden & Bodden Building, Stake Bay Road, P.O. Box 232 Cayman Brac KY2-2101.

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# 4. Fees and charges

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Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

# Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (color; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

# Postage costs

The Department of Commerce and Investment will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

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# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Department of Commerce and Investment that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law by contacting FOI Information Manager.

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Tel: 345 945 0943 Fax: 345 945 0941

Direct Tel: 345 948-2400 Email: lbodden@dci.gov.ky

Online: www.investcayman.gov.ky

# 6. Complaints

The Department of Commerce and Investment aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Lolita Bodden at 948-2400 or email at lbodden@dci.gov.ky or contact Ryan Rajkumarsingh at 244 2260 or rrajkumarsingh@dci.gov.ky and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 10727, Grand Cayman KY1-1007, Cayman Islands

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Laws & Regulations
- Organization & Function
- DCI Policies & Procedures
- DCI Laws & Regulations
- Board & Committees
- Our Services

## **ABOUT US**

The Department of Commerce and Investment is a one stop shop for information, expertise and guidance in relation to business opportunities in the Cayman Islands. The agency provides technical advice to local small businesses and investment climate data and support to potential foreign investors. The DCI also oversees the operations of the Cayman Islands Film Commission which was set up to develop the local film industry and attract media projects and the Trade and Business Licensing Secretariat which is responsible for issuing different categories of business licensing

## **Ministry**

The Department of Commerce and Investment (DCI) operates as an agency under the Ministry of Finance, Development and Tourism and (FD&T).

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# **Head of Marketing**

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# **Head of Business Licensing**

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For more information, visit the Freedom of Information (FOI) website (www.foi.gov.ky)

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Email: rrajkumarsingh@dcicayman.gov.ky Website: www.investcayman.gov.ky

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# **Organisation and functions**

The Department of Commerce and Investment (DCI) was established in November 2003 as an agency under the Cayman Islands Government, the DCI provides a central point for the coordination of resources and information, which investors, entrepreneurs and/or developers can access regarding business opportunities in the Cayman Islands.

Our vision is to contribute to sustainable economic development for the Cayman Islands through the encouragement of investment and entrepreneurial venture, which generate income, employment, innovation, linkages and domestic competitiveness.

As an economic development agency, the DCI works to stimulate and facilitate appropriate long-term, inward and local investment in the Cayman Islands in partnership with other Government agencies and the private sector.

The Department of Commerce and Investment, scope of activities includes:

- Develop and implement marketing campaigns that enhance the image and profile of the Cayman Islands as an investment location of choice.
- Arrange and participate in conferences and events that showcase the strength of the jurisdiction and which will encourage investor interest.
- Lead investors through the business establishment process by providing information on incentives, legislation or regulatory requirements, and steps in the approval process.
- Link potential investors with potential customers, suppliers and other business partners.
- Provide technical assistance to local entrepreneurs and small businesses.
- Provide assistance to film and photography projects seeking to utilize the jurisdiction.
- Conduct primary research and investigation into the Cayman Islands business climate with a view to developing recommendations on policy as it relates to investment and commerce.
- Grant approvals to conduct business activities allowed by law through administration of the issuance of Trade and Business Licences and Local Company (Control) Licences.

# Contact Information Grand Cayman Office Address:

Physical Address: Cayman Corporate Centre, 27 Hospital Road Mailing Address: P.O. Box 10087 George Town

Grand Cayman- KY1-1001 Tel: 345 945 0943

Fax: 345 945 0941

Email: investcayman.gov.ky Website: www.investcayman.ky

Hours of Work: 8:30am – 5pm, Monday thru Friday

# **Cayman Brac Office Address:**

Physical Address:

Bodden & Bodden Building, Stake Bay

P.O. Box 232

Cayman Brac - KY2-2101

Tel: 345 948 2400 Fax: 345 948 2409

Email: lbodden@dci.gov.ky

Hours of Work: 8:30am- 5:00pm, Monday thru Friday

# **Boards and Committees**

The Department of Commerce and Investment oversees the following boards:

Cayman Island Film Commission Advisory Board

Dax Basdeo – Chairman

Patrick Broderick – Member

Frank Flowers – Member

Natalie Ugland – Member

Mark Van Develde – Member

Donna Myrie – Member

Jason Felts - Member

Tony Scott - Member

Tom Selz – Member

Graham Taylor – Member

Jim Hart – Member

Bruce Deichi – Member

Heidi De Vries – Member

Trade and Business Licence Board

Garth Arch – Chairman

Lynn Bodden- Smatt – Deputy

Marcus Cumber – Member

Judy-Faye McGaw – Member

T. Jeffrey Rivers – Member

Johnny Thompson – Member

Troy Burke – Member

Sybil Jackson- Member

Kriste Rankin - Member

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the Department's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the Department's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

## Laws and Regulations

The following are several of the main laws affecting the establishment of a new business in the Cayman Islands and are provided for informational purposes only. Official copies of the laws and regulations can be obtained from the Legislative Department of the Cayman Islands. Note: There may be other amendments to the laws listed below. Some of these amendments may be found on the Cayman Islands Government website.

## **Financial Services**

Banks & Trust Companies Law (2007 Revision)

- Banks & Trust Companies (Licence Applications and Fees) Regulations (2007 Revision)
- Building Societies Law (2001 Revision)
- Companies Law (2007 Revision)
- Companies Management Law (2003 Revision)
- Exempted Limited Partnership Law (2007 Revision)
- Insurance Law (2008 Revision)
- Insurance (Forms) Regulations (2003 Revision)
- Insurance (Exemption) Regulations, 2004
- Monetary Authority Law (2008 Revision)
- Mutual Funds Law (2007 Revision)
- Mutual Funds (Fees) Regulations (2007 Revision)
- Partnership Law (2002 Revision)
- Land Holding Companies Share Transfer Tax Law (2007 Revision)

#### Customs

- Customs Law (2007) Revision
- Customs Tariff Law (2002 Revision)

## **E-Commerce**

- Electronic Transactions Law (2003 Revision)
- Computer Misuse Law, 2000
- Information & Communications Authority Law (2006 Revision)

# **Immigration**

- Immigration Law (2009 Revision)
- Immigration Regulations (2007 Revision)

## **Tourism**

- Hotels Aid Law (1995 Revision)
- Hotels Aid Regulations (1996 Revision)
- Tourism Law (1995 Revision)
- Tourism Regulations (2002 Revision)
- Tourist Accommodation (Taxation) Law (2003 Revision)

# **Employment**

- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision)
- Health Insurance Regulations (2005 Revision)
- Labour Law (2007 Revision)
- Workmen's Compensation Law (1996 Revision)

#### Others

- Patents and Trademarks Law (2007 Revision)
- Patents and Trademarks Regulations, 1999
- Development and Planning Law (2008 Revision)
- Development and Planning Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Registered Land Law (2004 Revision)
- Trade and Business Licensing Law (2007 Revision)
- Trade and Business Licensing Regulations (1999 Revision)
- Local Companies (Control) Law (2007 Revision)
- Local Companies (Control) Regulations (1998 Revision)

## FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the Department's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

# LAWS & REGULATIONS FOR CIVIL SERVICE

# **Financial Management**

- The Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and the Financial Regulations (2008 Revision)
- July 2008 Annual Salary Scale for Salaried Staff and Hourly Rates for bi-weekly employees.
- 2008 Pay Schedule Monthly and weekly pay dates for 2008
- 2007 Pay Scales Annual Salary Scale for Salaried Staff January 2007

## **Administration & Human Resource Management**

- Public Service Management Law (2009 Revision) and Personnel Regulations, 2006
- Public Servant Code of Conduct Code of Conduct for Civil Servants 05-Dec-2007

# **Records Management**

- Chief Secretary's Code of Practice on Record Management
- Freedom of Information Law, 2007
- National Achieve and Public Records Law, 2007

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

In addition to the Laws and Regulations listed above the following policies and procedures are utilized within the DCI organization.

- Employees Handbook
  - Complaint Policy and Procedures Code of Conduct
- Service Standard Manual
- Disaster Control Plan

## **OUR SERVICES**

Our professional staffs provide a broad range of consultation, liaison, and coordination services, to help business owners and investors, proceed smoothly, with their ventures in the Cayman Islands.

# For Local Entrepreneurs

# **Business Counselling:**

We offer technical assistance to an individual or business that deals with the formation, management, marketing, financing, and/or operation of a small business enterprise. The Agency is a safe environment in which entrepreneurs can test and formalize their business ideas before making a resource commitment.

## Training:

Our workshops and seminars cover a range of subject areas of interest to businesses such as Accounting, How to Start a Business and Raise Financing, HR and Marketing techniques.

## **Events**

From time to time the agency co-ordinates other special events that create opportunities for business networking.

#### Access to Financing

Through partnerships with organizations such as the Cayman Islands Development Bank and the Cayman Angel Investors Network, we assist our clients to prepare business cases for funding through outside agencies and organizations.

# For Foreign Investors

Guidance We advise on the regulatory requirements of setting up a business in

Cayman and provide useful information on establishing a new enterprise. We also assist with the provision of relevant forms and fee schedules.

Site Visits Staff members organize site visits for potential investors

Incentives The agency negotiates incentives and other benefits for an investment

proposal.

# General

Business Licensing We process applications for all individuals or companies that wish to

carry out business in the Cayman Islands. The law dictates that they need a Trade and Business License or a Local Company (Control)

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Film Applications The film commission facilitates the processing of all applications for

permits for media productions, custom waivers and rebates.



# **Cayman Islands Government in the United Kingdom**

# **Publication Scheme**

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# <u>Post</u>

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Information Officer
Cayman Islands Government Office
4<sup>th</sup> Floor
6 Arlington Street
London
United Kingdom
SW1A 1RE

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# 6. Complaints

The Cayman Islands Government Office in the United Kingdom aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Nadira Lord at +44 (0)207 7491 7772 or nlord@cigo.co.uk, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402

Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

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- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

# **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority:

CAYMAN ISLANDS GOVERNMENT OFFICE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

## **Location and Hours:**

4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 6 Arlington Street, London, United Kingdom SW1A 1RE Open: Monday – Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm (GMT); Closed: Public Holidays

# **Ministry**

Ministry of Financial Services, Tourism & Development

# **Chief Officer**

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# **Information Officer**

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# **Organisation and Functions**

The Cayman Islands Government Office in the United Kingdom performs a semi-consular function. The Office represents the Cayman Islands Government in the UK and acts upon instructions received from the Cayman Islands. It provides an important link between the Cayman Islands and the UK, it is responsible for improving and promoting the image of the Cayman Islands and it builds relations with the UK Government and the private sector. The Office responds to enquiries and disseminates information about the territory. In particular, it promotes the Cayman Islands as an offshore financial centre and takes its part in organisations such as the UK Overseas Territories Association (UKOTA), the All- Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) and EU Overseas Countries & Territories Association (OCTA). The Office also provides support and consular assistance to Caymanians in the UK, in particular to students. The Office assists with recruitment for Cayman Islands Government vacancies as and when required.

## History

Thomas Russell, the former Governor who left Cayman in January 1982, was asked by the Cayman Islands Government to set up a Government Office in London and he started work in June 1982. He was accommodated at 17b Curzon Street together with the Tourism Office and had just one other staff member to assist him.

The Cayman Islands Government Office was the second British Overseas Territory to have a London Office and it set the trend for other territories to follow suit. The Office proved its worth, as it took on an ever-expanding range of duties. In 1986 a fire in the basement of the building caused the office to move from 17b Curzon Street to 100 Brompton Road, Knightsbridge.

The Government Office handled a range of enquiries such as would be expected in a small Embassy or High Commission; it promoted Financial Services and dealt with recruitment of staff from the UK to fill positions in the Cayman Islands Civil Service which could not be filled locally. Mr Russell established the Cayman Islands All Party Parliamentary Group and strengthened links with Commonwealth organisations

Since its establishment in 1993, the United Kingdom Overseas Territories Association (UKOTA) has developed as more territories appointed a London-based Representative and consequently the Association has more influence and is very active.

In 1994 the Government Office moved to its current location at 6 Arlington Street, which it shares with the C. I. Department of Tourism, C. I. Shipping Registry and C. I. Civil Aviation Authority.

In 2000 Mr Russell retired after a total of 18 years as Representative and was replaced by Jennifer Dilbert, the first Caymanian Representative. Jennifer Dilbert established the Friends of Cayman group and an Annual Reception for Caymanian students. She completed her term of office and returned to the Cayman Islands in December 2008.

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

# 1. Do I require a visa to enter the Cayman Islands and how to I go about obtaining it?

Depending on the passport you hold you may require a visa. If you live in the U.K. you should contact the Visa Section of the Passport Office in London, the contact number being 020 7901 7542. If you are overseas you will need to contact the British Embassy in your country of residence who will provide information about timing, cost and procedures.

# 2. How long can I stay as a visitor and may I extend my stay?

Generally the normal visitor entry is a period of one month. However you may request a stay of up to six months maximum, providing you have a return air ticket to your country of residence and can show proof that you have sufficient funds to support yourself without working during the period in question (a copy of a bank statement would probably suffice). It would probably be wise to have an air ticket which allows a change to the return date.

# 3. How can I transport my pet to the Cayman Islands?

The process for importing animals into Cayman can be a lengthy one, but easy as long as you know the timescales. You will need a Permit to Import your pet. Documentation regarding the import requirements, along with an application form, can be obtained from Veterinary Services, Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 459, Grand Cayman KY1-1106, Cayman Islands, Tel: +1 (345) 947 3090, Fax +1 (345) 947 2634 or by email to ciagriculture@gov.ky

Your pet must have an approved type of microchip fitted prior to the rabies vaccination being administered and this vaccination must be an approved vaccination. Your pet must then have a blood test. Not more than 14 days prior to departure you must have a registered veterinarian complete an official health certificate and treat your pet for tapeworms and ticks with an approved product.

All animals travelling to the Cayman Islands must do so by the most direct route and be carried in an approved container.

Owners should check with the airline the differences in consigning a pet as "checked baggage" or "cargo". Persons in the U.K. may wish to consult the Pet Travel Scheme Helpline on 0870 241 1710.

# 4. How can I obtain permanent residency?

A Permanent Resident is a person who has been granted permission by the Caymanian Status and Permanent Residency Board or Chief Immigration Officer to remain permanently in the Islands.

One way to qualify for Permanent Residence is to have been legally and ordinarily resident in the Cayman Islands for at least eight years immediately prior to your application.

The Board will issue to the successful applicant a Residency & Employment Rights Certificate.

The Permanent Residence Assessment Point System is the means by which the Caymanian Status and Permanent Residency Board assesses an application. You can review the point system in the Immigration (Amendment No.3) Regulations 2007.

Copies of the Immigration Law and Regulations may be purchased at the Legislative Assembly for a nominal fee.

Persons of independent means can apply for a 25 year Residency Certificate. In Grand Cayman, proof of an annual income of at least CI\$150,000 without the need to be engaged in employment in the Cayman Islands is required and an investment of CI\$750,000 (of which CI\$250,000 must be in developed real estate).

# 5. How can I purchase property in the Cayman Islands?

The real estate market in Cayman is simple and straightforward and apart from a one-time stamp duty, there are no annual property taxes. There are many real estate agencies that will give you advice and help you with all the legalities. Houses, apartments, condos and townhouses are available for purchase. Prices vary on location, size, design and other features.

# 6. How do I obtain a work permit?

If you wish to take up employment it will be the responsibility of the employer to obtain a work permit for you. If you are offered a job, the employer should give you the relevant forms and will be responsible for submitting the application to the Immigration Board, together will all supporting documentation. The time taken to get a work permit depends on what type of permit the employer applies for. If the employer applies for a short term permit, i.e. for a period of a few months, the permit could be obtained within a couple of weeks. If the employer has applied for a full one year permit, it could take a lot longer to obtain. Short term permits are not designed to be converted into full permits. Work permits are issued for a specific job with a specific employer.

# 7. Are there any medical regulations involved in obtaining a work permit?

A medical examination will be necessary for employment (along with a blood test and chest x-ray).

## 8. My partner has been offered a job – we are not married, may I go as his/her dependant?

Only a spouse may be considered as a dependant. You will need to enter as an independent individual, either as a visitor or with your own work permit

# 9. How do I obtain a Police Clearance Certificate?

Please contact your local police station or check on line at your regional police authority to obtain the form. There is a charge which varies in each authority and the time taken

to obtain the certificate can be up to 40 days. A sworn Affidavit of no Criminal Convictions is equally acceptable for persons coming from the U.K. and may be obtained from a Solicitor or Notary Public.

10. Do I need a visa if I am visiting the Cayman Islands on a cruise ship?

No, anyone can enter the Cayman Islands on a cruise ship without a visa providing the stopover is not more than eight hours.

11. How can I apply for a birth certificate in the Cayman Islands?

You can contact the Registry of Births, Deaths & Marriages in the Cayman Islands and they will tell you how to proceed. This can be achieved by email: cigenreg@gov.ky, by phone +1 (345) 946 7922 or by fax +1 (345) 949 0969.

12. I have been offered a place St Matthew's University – do I need a visa?

A non-Caymanian who is eighteen years of age or older, seeking to enter the Cayman Islands to attend a recognised educational institution on a full time basis may be granted a student visa. The student should be self sufficient or provide proof of support from other means.

The student visa does not allow the student to work. It is understood that the student is expected to leave the Islands on completion of the programme. Most student visas are granted for a period of four years, but may be extended for a further twelve months. Please contact the University, who will assist you.

13. What are the processes for getting married in the Cayman Islands?

The minimum age for getting married in the Cayman Islands is 16; however anyone under the age of 18 must have the consent of a parent or guardian. All marriages must be attended by a Marriage Officer and by two other witnesses. The Marriage Officer can advise on making arrangements for your wedding. Also the wedding must take place between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Go to the Government website www.gov.ky and look under 'Getting Married' and go to "About Cayman" and then "Getting Married" for a list of Marriage Officers and people who can help with arranging the services and provide information on appropriate documentation required.

- 14. Could you please send me a copy of the New Resident and/or Caymanian Compass? Yes we could provide both of those publications.
- 15. Can you tell me about the cost of living in the Cayman Islands including renting an apartment?

The cost of living in Cayman is similar to that in London. Whether renting or buying, all properties come fitted with kitchen appliances. If you are renting, properties are

generally fully fitted and come equipped with a small quantity of kitchen equipment, so that they are ready for immediate occupation. Rental costs vary according to location, size and furnishings but information may be obtained through New Resident magazine at www.newresident.ky pages 74 -95 (where you will find real estate agents listed).

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

#### Governance

High-level documents that inform and direct the functions and activities of the Cayman Islands Government Office in the United Kingdom are within the domain of the Ministry of Financial Services, Tourism & Development and are referenced in the ministry's publication scheme.

## **Corporate Management\***

- Quarterly reports
- Plans for hazard management and disaster recovery

### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

### **Financial Management\***

- Annual budget
- Monthly accounts

#### Administration\*

- Insurance policies
- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Training records
- Information Technology

<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from the Information Officer.

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#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES\***

- Health and Safety Policy
- Fire Risk Assessment Procedure

\*Copies can be obtained upon request from the Information Officer.

### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS\***

Minutes of meetings

\*Copies can be obtained upon request from the Information Officer.

### LISTS & REGISTERS\*

FOI disclosure log

\*Copies can be obtained upon request from the Information Officer.

#### **OUR SERVICES**

The main specific functions of the office are:

To promote Cayman Islands interests and expand contacts in the United Kingdom and Europe by liaison with appropriate UK Ministries, UK Parliament, Commonwealth bodies, the UK Overseas Territories Association (UKOTA), the Overseas Countries & Territories Association of the EU (OCTA) and other international organisations.

To disseminate information on the Cayman Islands to a wide range of enquirers: Government, private sector companies and the general public. Topics include enquiries about living in the Cayman Islands, obtaining permanent residence, visa and immigration requirements, job opportunities, buying property, establishing a business, investment opportunities etc.

To provide the Cayman Islands Government with information and policy advice on events and policies in the UK and Europe.

Make advance arrangements for official visitors and private sector visitors from the Cayman Islands to UK and Europe, e.g. Cayman Islands politicians and senior civil servants; to receive such visitors and provide maximum support.

To provide support and consular assistance to Caymanians and in particular to Caymanian students in the UK, especially in times of crisis (e.g. hurricanes). To maintain a database of Caymanian students in the UK.

To represent the Cayman Islands at official functions, ceremonial occasions, Commonwealth and Parliamentary gatherings, Foreign Office receptions etc, in order to promote the Cayman Islands as an international entity of importance.

To execute the Government's programme of recruitment in the UK, as and when required. This may include the placement of advertisements, dealing with requests for application form and job description, receiving back and acknowledging completed applications, setting up interviews for shortlisted candidates, liaising with the selected candidate/s and handling the arrangements for the new appointee to take up the post.



## **Publication Scheme**

## Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice

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## 1. About the publication scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the General Registry to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

## The General Registry will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below:
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;

- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The General Registry will generally **not** publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the General Registry, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available e.g. information that is contained in files that have been placed in storage, or is otherwise difficult to access; and
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure

   e.g. personal information; or corporate sensitive information. In maintaining this
   publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in *section 7: Categories of information*.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it. e.g. where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the General Registry or another organization commercial interests.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

## 3. Method(s) of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides additional details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

### Online

Much of the information that is available from our Authority is accessible electronically on our website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant section of the website.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at <a href="www.ciregistry.gov.ky">www.ciregistry.gov.ky</a> If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact <a href="cindy.jefferson@gov.ky">cindy.jefferson@gov.ky</a> or write to Information Manager, General Registry Department, Ground Floor, Citrus Grove, Goring Ave., Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands KY1-9000.

#### **Email**

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at <a href="mailto:cigenreg@gov.ky">cigenreg@gov.ky</a> to request information. Please also provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### **Fax**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by fax. Please send your request by fax to the attention of the Information Manager at (345) 949 0969 to request information.

#### **Post**

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Information Manager, General Registry Department, Citrus Grove Building, Goring Ave., Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, KY1-9000.

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See Section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### **Personal visits**

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme.

## **Advice and assistance**

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact cindy.jefferson@gov.ky or cigenreg@gov.ky.

The <u>General Registry</u> will adhere to its obligations under Section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The <u>General Registry</u> strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, the General Registry will advise the applicant to obtain agreement as to the cost prior to processing the requested information. We will endeavor to keep the cost to a minimum within the constraints of the various Laws. In addition to any other relevant fee computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc Information will be provided when the General Registry has received your payment.

See <u>General Registry Website</u> for fee(s) usually charged by the Registry for services to customers.

### Postage costs

The General Registry will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the General Registry has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the publication scheme

Information held by the General Registry that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

Please contact the Information Manager Cindy Jefferson-Bulgin at (345) 9467922 or by email at <a href="mailto:cindy.jefferson@gov.ky">cindy.jefferson@gov.ky</a> or <a href="mailto:foi.reg@gov.ky">foi.reg@gov.ky</a>

### 6. Complaints

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Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from <a href="http://www.ciregistry.gov.ky/portal/page?">http://www.ciregistry.gov.ky/portal/page?</a> pageid=1941,4581443&\_dad=portal&\_sch\_ema=PORTAL

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 10727, Grand Cayman KY1-1007, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: <u>appeals @ico.gov.ky</u>

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### **ABOUT US**

### **GENERAL REGISTRY DEPARTMENT**

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## **Information Manager**

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## **Ministry**

MINISTRY OF FINANCE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT

**Organisation and functions** 

The General Registry is responsible for collecting a significant portion of revenue through registry management and the maintenance of public records. It also provides advice and information to facilitate the formulation of new Government policies, laws and regulations with regards to the register(s) it manages.

Mailing address: General Registry Department,

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KY1-9000

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Website address: www.ciregistry.gov.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
General Registry, Ground Floor, Citrus Grove, Goring Ave., Grand Cayman, KY1 – 9000 Office Hours: Mon-Fri. 8:30am - 5:00pm Closed on Public Holidays	Registration and maintenance of Companies, Partnerships, Trusts, Patents & Trade Marks, Public records, Births, Deaths, Marriages, Co-Operatives, Trade Unions and Building Societies.

## **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

None.

## Frequently asked questions

See General Registry Website

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

#### Governance

Companies Law (2010 Revision)

Companies Winding Up Rules (2008)

Public Recorder Law (2007 Revision)

Patents & Trade Marks Law (2007 Revision)

Births and Deaths Law (2007 Revision)

Exempted Limited Partnership Law (2007 Revision).

Partnership Law (2002 Revision)

Cooperative Societies Law (2001 Revision)

The Trade Union Law

**Building Societies Law** 

Legislation administered by the authority; in development; or under review.

#### **Corporate management**

Annual reports

http://www.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1142,1591697& dad=portal& schema=PORTAL

Statistics: See **General Registry Website** 

- Company Statistics as at 30 November 2010
- Partnership Statistics as at 30 November 2010
- Births, Deaths and Marriage Statistics as at 30 November 2010

## **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively including the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

## **Financial management**

The Public Management and Finance Law (2003 Revision).

The Financial Regulations, 2004

Annual budget

http://www.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1142,1593653& dad=portal& schema=PORTAL

#### **Administration**

Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)

Personnel Regulations - Public Service Management Law, 2005

Public Service Code of Conduct - December 2007

#### Press releases

http://www.ciregistry.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1941,1& dad=portal& schema=PORT AL

### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Complaints-handling procedure; HR policies and procedures <a href="http://www.ciregistry.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1941,4581443&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL">http://www.ciregistry.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1941,4581443&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL</a>

### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

None.

### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

The Authority oversees the functions and activities of eleven Registers namely; Companies, Partnerships, Trusts, Patents & Trade Marks, Public records, Births, Deaths, Marriages, Co-Operatives, Trade Unions and Building Societies.

## **OUR SERVICES**

A list of services provided by the General Registry relative to the various registers it oversees may be found at <u>General Registry Website</u>. In addition, some services are available online from our website. The links to these services are provided below.

<u>Births, Deaths & Marriages</u> <u>Companies, Partnerships & Trusts</u>



## **Economics and Statistics Office**

## **Publication Scheme**

## Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

The Economics & Statistics Office (ESO) is covered by the Freedom of Information Law and has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information, which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the ESO to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

### The ESO will:

- specify the information held by the office, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available information held by the office that falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public; and
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

### 2. Information that may be withheld

The ESO will generally not publish:

- information in draft form:
- information that is not held by the ESO, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information or commercially sensitive information.
- Questionnaires and information identifiable to any individual or business in accordance with S.8 (2) and S.(17) of the Statistics Law (1996 Revision) as amended by the Statistics (Amendment) Law 2010. The Freedom of Information Law 2007 as under S.3 (7) of FOI does not abrogate the confidentiality clauses of the Statistics Law and this information is therefore not available under FOI
- Other records containing exempt matter unless in a redacted<sup>1</sup> form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible. However, ESO records are exempt from disclosure in the following instance where such disclosure:

- is not in accordance with the Statistics Law (1996 Revision) as amended by the Statistics (Amendment) Law 2010;
- constitutes an actionable breach of confidence, for example an opinion, advice or recommendations prepared for another party;
- is premature and could reasonably be expected to or have substantial adverse effect on the Caymanian economy or the Government's ability to manage the economy;
- is an opinion, report, advice or recommendations prepared for Cabinet;
- prejudice, or would be likely to prejudice, the effective conduct of public affairs;
- reveal trade secrets, information of commercial value and interests prejudiced or diminished by disclosure; and
- unreasonable exposure of personal information, whether living or dead.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Part III of the FOI Law lists the exemptions to the general right of access to records. These records will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

Like all statistics offices, the ESO is governed by a law, the Statistics Law (1996 Revision), as amended by the Statistics (Amendment) Law 2010, which guarantees confidentiality of respondents and their information. A copy of this law is available at http://www.eso.ky/stats-act.html

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

If you wish to complain about any information, which has been withheld, please refer to Section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

#### <u>Online</u>

Many of our documents are published electronically on www.eso.ky and can be downloaded in PDF or Excel format. Where information is available online, a link within Section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document. If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at http://www.eso.ky/ If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact foi.eso@gov.ky or infostats@gov.ky

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.eso@gov.ky or infostats@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

## **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call (345) 949-0940 to request information.

#### Fax

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by facsimile. The fax number is (345) 949-8782 to request information.

### <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Attn: Information Manager Economics & Statistics Office Elizabethan Square Phase III Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name address telephone number; and full details of the information or documents you would like to receive.

For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See Section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in Section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact the Information Manager at foi.eso@gov.ky or Elizabeth.Talbert@gov.ky or Julietta.Beaupierre@gov.ky

The ESO will adhere to its obligations under Section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the ESO is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

### 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The ESO strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

The ESO offers some publications for sale. This includes:

Cayman Islands Compendium of Statistics	US\$60.00 or CI\$50.00
1999 Cayman Islands Census	US\$60.00 or CI\$ 50.00
Annual Economic Report (AER)	US\$ 60.00 or CI\$ 50.00
Quarterly Economic Report (QER)	US\$30.00 or CI\$25.00
Labour Force Report (LFS)	US\$30.00 or CI\$25.00
Consumer Price Index (CPI)	US\$30.00 or CI\$25.00
Overseas Trade Report	US\$30.00 or CI\$25.00

These publications are charged at the cover price, and actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2.00 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The ESO will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within Section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the ESO has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Statistical data and economic information produced by the ESO may be obtained without making a request under the FOI Law. Please contact the Information Manager, Elizabeth Talbert or Julietta Beaupierre to determine whether an FOI request needs be submitted for the information sought.

However, if you are making an FOI request, it must be done in writing (letter, email, and facsimile). This request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

Further details are provided at http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=freedomofinformationfoi

### 6. Complaints

The ESO aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Information Manager, Elizabeth Talbert (345)-244-1621 or email foi.eso@gov.ky or Elizabeth.Talbert@gov.ky and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible. Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from http://www.eso.ky/freedom of information (Making an FOI Appeal)

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response:

Information Commissioner's Office 2nd Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 10727, Grand Cayman KY1-1007, Cayman Islands Telephone: +1 345 747 5402

email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

### 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

(Hyperlinks are in blue and underlined; press the CTRL button and 'Click' the link to follow it to the document)

### Name of public authority

**Economics and Statistics Office** 

### Ministry

Ministry of Financial Services, Tourism and Development

## Principle officer [or Key staff]

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#### Information manager

Information Manager: Mrs. Elizabeth Talbert

Email address: Elizabeth.Talbert@gov.ky or foi.eso@gov.ky Telephone Number: (345)

244-1621

Information Manager Designate: Julietta Beaupierre

Email address: Julietta.Beaupierre@gov.ky or foi.eso@gov.ky Telephone number: (345)

244-3500

Freedom of Information Office website www.foi.gov.ky

### **Organisation and functions**

The Cayman Islands' Economics and Statistics Office (ESO) provides basic information on the country's people and economy. The ESO:

- a. Monitors the economy, develops economic policies and plans, and advises Government on a range of economic issues to sustained growth of the islands.
- b. Conducts and analyzes social and economic surveys and compiles and publishes statistical data on the Cayman Islands, and provides other government departments with technical advice on data collection and dissemination, and survey design and methodology.

#### Mailing address:

Economics & Statistics Office Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Cayman Islands

**Telephone number:** (345) - 949-0940

**Fax Number:** (345) – 949-8782

Email address: foi.eso@gov.ky or infostats@gov.ky

Website address: http://www.eso.ky

# **Location and hours**

Economics & Statistics Office 3rd Floor, Elizabethan Square Phase 3 Shedden Road **Opening Hours:** Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

### What We Do

- a. Conduct macro-economic analysis and research;
- b. Monitor the economy and produce quarterly and annual economic reports;
- c. Provide secretariat and technical support services to the Public Sector Investment Programme (PSIP) when convened by the Financial Secretary;
- d. Conduct the Census of Population and Housing approximately every 10 years;
- e. Publish statistical series, which include the annual Compendium of Statistics and the Annual Overseas Trade Report;
- f. Update the Household Register and Business Register as needed.
- g. Conduct and publish the results of Labour Force Surveys.
- h. Conduct and publish the results of quarterly Consumer Price Index surveys.
- i. Develop and implement a macroeconomic compilation program consisting of a *System of National Accounts* and *Balance of Payments* systems as resources permit.
- j. Conduct other household and business surveys to provide the data requirements of statistical publications or socio-economic reports and studies for Government.
- k. Provide technical assistance on economic and statistical matters to other Government Departments and Agencies, as resources permit.
- I. Promote the wider use of statistics in the local community, and facilitate greater community participation in data collection and dissemination.
- m. Provide technical assistance to regional and international agencies on economic and statistical matters related to the Cayman Islands.
- n. Promote and implement the adoption of international standards in the compilation of national statistics, and the participation of the Cayman Islands in relevant initiatives related thereto.

#### **Boards and committees**

Name Meetings Minutes		Meetings	Minutes
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Census Advisory Committee (2008–2011)  Members:  Haroon.Pandohie, Department of Planning Ernie Scott, Sister Islands District Commissioner Deanna Lookloy, Department of Children & Family Services Lonny Tibbetts, Department of Employment Relations Shirley Wahler, Department of Education Sonia Campbell Tammy Ebanks-Bishop, Ministry of District Administration, Works and Gender Affairs Will Pineau, Chamber of Commerce Elizabeth Talbert, Economics and Statistics Office Maria Zingapan, Economics and Statistics Office Kenneth Ebanks, Ministry of Financial Services, Tourism and Development	Meetings are not open to the public.  Economics & Statistics Office 3rd Floor, Elizabethan Square Phase 3 Shedden Road George Town, Grand Cayman	http://www.eso.ky/UserFiles/File/Advisory%2 OLinks(4  Minutes can be requested or accessed by telephone: Tel: (345) - 949-0940  by mail: Mailing address: Economics & Statistics Office Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Cayman Islands  or by visiting the office: Economics & Statistics Office 3rd Floor, Elizabethan Square Phase 3 Shedden Road George Town, Grand Cayman
rubiic Sector Investment Committee - not convened by the Financial Secretary	As convened or directed by the Financial Secretary	

### **History**

The history of ESO started with the very first official statistics on the Cayman Islands which is the 1802 census conducted by Edward Corbet, a staff aide to the Governor of Jamaica, Lieutenant General George Nugent. For more on ESO's history, please visit http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=esohistory.

#### **Job Vacancies**

http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=jobvacancies

## **ESO & the Community**

ESO has outreach activities in the community such as among students. Please visit http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=esothecommunity for additional information on ESO & the Community.

## Frequently asked questions

This is a list of frequently asked questions related to ESO's statistical reports, such as definitions of gross domestic product; labor force; consumer price index; census, etc. Please visit http://www.eso.ky/faq.html for additional frequently asked questions.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

(Hyperlinks are in blue and underlined; press the CTRL button and 'Click' the link to follow it to the document)

#### Governance

- Public Management & Finance Law (2005 Revision)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- Financial Regulations (2007)
- Personnel Regulations (2006)
- Public Service Code of Conduct
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Statistics Law (1996 Revision) http://www.eso.ky/stats-act.html
- Statistics (Amendment) Law (2010) http://www.eso.ky
- The Statistics (System of National Accounts and Balance of Payments) Regulations, 2010
- Census Cayman Islands Order 1999
- The Census (Cayman Islands) Order 2010
- The Census (Cayman Islands) Regulation 2010
- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
- Evidence Law (2007 Revision)
- Electronic Transactions Law ( 2003 Revision)
- UN Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics http://www.eso.ky/UserFiles/File/UN%20Fundamental%20Principles%20of%20St atistics.pdf

## **Corporate management**

- Strategic Plan 2007-2011 & Updates http://www.eso.ky/strategic-plan.html
- HR Audit Reports
   http://www.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/PCSHOME/FOI/DOCLIBRARY/ANNUAL\_HR\_REPORT2007.PDF
- ESO Continuity Plan
- Government Email Policy

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

(Hyperlinks are in blue and underlined; press the CTRL button and 'Click' the link to follow it to the document)

#### **Administrative Policies and Procedures**

- ESO Open Door Policy http://www.eso.ky/
- Customer Complaints Procedure http://www.eso.ky/
- Guidelines for the Selection of Census Enumerators and Field Supervisors
- HR Policies and Procedures

#### Manuals:

- Labour Force Survey Manuals http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=labourforcesurveys
- Cayman Islands Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose (COICOP)

- 1999 Census Field Manual http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=populationandhousingcensus1999
- Census Information PowerPoint Presentation http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=2010populationandhousingcensus
- 2010 Census Manual http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=2010populationandhousingcensus
- Balance of Payments Methodology http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=balanceofpayments
- System of National Accounts Methodology http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=annualnationalaccountssurvey
- 2008 Cayman Islands' Consumer Price Index basket

### **Decisions & Recommendations**

Opinions, advice or recommendations prepared for the Cabinet or a committee thereof are exempt from disclosure under Section 19.1 of the FOI Law.

### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

- Asset Register
- FOI disclosure log http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=freedomofinformationfoi
- Business Register Not covered by FOI Law and disclosure is barred under S.8 (2) and S.(17) of the Statistics Law (1996 Revision)
- Household Register Not covered by FOI Law and disclosure is barred under S.8 (2) and S.(17) of the Statistics Law (1996 Revision).

## Organizational Chart http://www.eso.ky/organizational-chart.html

#### **OUR SERVICES**

- 1) Official Publications:
  - Consumer Price Index

http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=consumerpriceindex

- Labour Force Survey http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=labourforcesurveys
- Overseas Trade

http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=2010populationandhousingcensus.eso.ky/pages.php?page=overseastradereport

- Compendium of Statistics
  - http://www.eso.ky/pages1.php?page=introductionexplanatorynotes
- Census http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=2010populationandhousingcensus
- Population & Vital Statistics http://www.eso.ky/pages1.php?page=populationandvitalstatistics
- National Accounts http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=annualnationalaccountssurvey
- Balance of Payments http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=balanceofpayments
- Annual & Quarterly Economic Reports http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=quarterlyandannualeconomicreports
- Special reports http://www.eso.ky
- 2) Studies, Advice & Recommendations for Cabinet Exempt S. 19 (1) FOI Law
- 3) Technical Assistance to Agencies
- 4) Other Socio-Economic Surveys and Statistics
  - Survey of Living Conditions and Household Budget Survey http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=surveyoflivingconditionshouseholdbudgetsurvey
  - Immigration Data http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=immigrationdata
  - Statistical Principle & Methodologies http://www.eso.ky/pages.php?page=statisticalprinciplesclassificationsandmethodologies



# Her Majesty's Customs Cayman Islands

## **Publication Scheme**

Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits H.M. Customs Cayman Islands to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities. H.M. Customs Cayman Islands will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven
   (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;

- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

H.M. Customs Cayman Islands will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by H.M. Customs Cayman Islands or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access:
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in *section 7: Categories of information*.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm H.M. Customs Cayman Islands (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at www.customs.gov.ky or www.gov.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact Mrs. Trenda Kelly, Information Manager Designate.

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.cus@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call Mr. Kevin Walton at (345) 244-4922 or Mrs. Trenda Kelly at (345) 244-4934 to request information.

#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Mr. Kevin Walton
Information Manager
H.M. Customs Cayman Islands
P.O. Box 898
Grand Cayman KY1-1103
Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

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Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications which the H.M. Customs Cayman Islands offers for sale. This include: The Customs Tariff Law, etc. These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service, or the Customs Tariff Law may be downloaded free of charge from www.customs.ky

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per discs.

### Postage costs

The H.M. Customs Cayman Islands will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the H.M. Customs Cayman Islands has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

<u>Information held by</u> the H.M. Customs Cayman Islands that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

For further details please visit http://www.foi.cus.ky/FOI.php#Request

## 6. Complaints

H.M. Customs Cayman Islands of the Cayman Islands aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Mr. Kevin Walton at (345) 244-4922 via email kevin.walton@gov.ky or Mrs. Trenda Kelly at (345) 244-4923, via email trenda.anglin-kelly@gov.ky and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our com<sup>p</sup>laints <sup>p</sup>rocedures can be obtained from (insert website) You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office 2nd Floor, Elizabethan Square Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402

Email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

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## **ABOUT US**

## Name of public authority

Her Majesty's Customs Cayman Islands

#### Ministry

Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development

#### Financial Secretary

Mr. Kenneth Jefferson, Portfolio of Finance & Economics, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Government Administrative Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000

#### **Chief Officer**

Mrs. Sonia McLaughlin, Portfolio of Finance & Economics, 4<sup>th</sup> Government Administrative Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000

#### Name and title of Head

Mr. J. Carlon Powery, Collector of Customs, 42 Owen Roberts Drive, George Town

### Information manager

Mr. Kevin Walton Information Manager H.M. Customs Cayman Islands P.O. Box 898

Grand Cayman KY1-1103 Direct Line: (345) 244-4922 Office: (345) 949-4579 Email: Mitchell.welds@gov.ky

FOI Email: foi.cus@gov.ky Website: www.customs.ky or www.gov.ky

Freedom of Information Website: http://foi.gov.ky

#### Designate

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Website: www.customs.ky or www.gov.ky Freedom of Information: http://foi.gov.ky

## **Organisation and functions**

H.M. Customs Cayman Islands is responsible for:

- 1. the collection of revenue, including protection of duties, package tax and Warehouse fees.
- 2. the prevention of smuggling;
- 3. the implementation of prohibitions and restrictions upon the importation and exportation of certain goods;
- 4. the provision of information concerning imports and exports for trade statistics;
- 5. assisting other law enforcement agencies and other agencies in the enactment of their laws.

#### Vision

To protect the borders of the Cayman Islands while securing the future of its people.

## **Mission statement**

To collect and protect Government's revenue, facilitate legitimate trade and control prohibited and restricted goods in a cost effective manner while preserving a safe environment for all.

P.O. Box 898 Grand Cayman KY1-1103 Tel: (345) 949-4579

Fax: (345) 949-1573

Website: www.customs.ky or www.gov.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
Admin Office 42 Owen Roberts Drive, 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor George Town 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday	Administrative concerns Human Resources
Collections Office 42 Owen Roberts Drive, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor George Town 8:30am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday 8:30am to 12:00pm Saturday	Clearing of Cargo
Courier Office 42 Owen Roberts Drive, George Town 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday	Clearing of Courier Cargo
Parcel Post Airport Post Office, George Town 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday 8:30am to 12:00pm Saturday	Clearing of Air Parcel Cargo
Airport Terminal Owen Robert Intl Airport, George Town 6:00am to 11:00pm Monday to Sunday	Clearing of commercial and private aircrafts and passengers
General Aviation Terminal GAT Terminal Owen Roberts Drive, George Town 6:00am to 9:00pm Monday to Sunday	Clearing of private aircrafts and passengers
Sea Freight/Ocean Freight Office Port Authority, Cargo Distribution Center Portland Road, George Town 8:30am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday 8:30am to 12:00pm Saturday	Clearing of Cargo
Fraud Unit 42 Owen Roberts Drive 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor George Town 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday	Deter, investigate and prosecute of non compliance with customs procedures

Narcotics Enforcement Team 42 Owen Robert Drive 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor George Town 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday	Investigate, identify and prosecute drug offences
Intelligence Unit 42 Owens Roberts Drive 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor George Town 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday	Gather, analyze, and disseminate relevant information to appropriate sections of H.M. Customs Cayman Islands
Preventative Unit 42 Owens Roberts Drive 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor George Town 8;30am to 4:30pm Monday to Friday 8:30am to 12:00pm Saturday	Inspection and verification of containerized and loose cargo
Sea Port Office 45A Harbour Drive, Port Authority Building George Town 8:30am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday 8:30am to 12:00pm Saturday	Clearing of ocean vessels

#### **Boards and committees**

H.M. Customs Cayman Islands does not oversee any boards or committees.

# Frequently asked questions

# What are the duty rates for cars?

The duty rates for cars are as follows:

Up to \$20,000 c.i.f. value 29.5% Between \$20,000 and \$25,000 c.i.f. value 32% Between \$25,001 and \$30,000 c.i.f. value 37% More than \$30,000 c.i.f. value 42%

## Who is in charge of H.M. Customs Cayman Islands?

Mr. J. Carlon Powery is the Collector of Customs, who is in charge of H.M. Customs Cayman Islands.

## How much is my allowance?

All passengers over the age of 18 may bring with them the following items

- Up to 1 liter of Portable Spirits
- Or 4 liters of wine
- Or 1 case of beer ( not exceeding 8 liters)
- Up to 200 Cigarettes
- Or 100 Cigarillos

- Or 25 Cigars
- Or 250 grammes of Tobacco

Cayman residents returning from an overseas visit may bring with them household and personal items up to the value of CI\$350.00 (US\$417.00).

## Why do I have to pay duty?

Collection of duty is Government's main source of revenue. This allows Government to earn money for the continuing operation for essential services and funding for capital projects

# Why do I have to pay duty on gifts?

Goods other than unsolicited gifts not exceeding fifty (50) dollars in value are liable for duty.

# How much money does H.M. Customs Cayman Islands make?

H.M. Customs Cayman Islands collects approximately CI\$150 million dollars in revenue per year.

## How do I make a FOI request?

If you wish to make a request for information then you should contact he Information Manager listed above or in his absence, the Information Manager Designate. Requests may also be made through our Government assigned email address foi.cus@gov.ky or H.M. Customs Cayman Islandss' own FOI email address www.foi.gov.ky. Requests must be in writing (letter, email or facsimile) and must include your name and an address (either postal or email). Please be as specific as possible about the information you would like, as this will help us to respond promptly. Where possible, please include a contact telephone number so we can call to discuss your request if necessary.

We will respond to your request immediately. The Law requires public authorities to respond within 30 calendar days, allowing an extension of an additional 30 calendar days if needed. We are obligated by law to always acknowledge receipt of all FOI requests made to the Information Manager and we are also obligated to let you know if there is a need to extend the deadline. For detailed advice on what sorts of information is exempt please see the FOI Unit website.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The Principal Law relating to the administration and procedures of H.M. Customs Cayman Islands is the Customs Law. This Law constitutes the legal basis for the collection and management of the Customs Duties and the Enforcement of the Prohibitions and Restrictions on the importation and exportation of goods.

The key strategic goals and objectives for H.M. Customs Cayman Islands are:

- 1. To continue risk-based enforcement activities in the area of containerized cargo.
- 2. To improve the quality of customer services both internally and externally.
- 3. To ensure that the automated system captures all activities and provides reliable information for management and reporting purposes.

- 4. To continue the corporation and information sharing with other Law Enforcement Agencies locally, regionally and internationally.
- 5. To develop and implement policies that satisfies the needs of employees.

#### Governance

Customs Law (2007 Revision)

Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)

Public Service Management Law 2005, (Law 27 of 2005)

Personnel Regulations, 2006

Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)

Customs Department Safety Policy

**Customs General Procedures** 

**Customs Complaint Handling Procedures** 

Additional information is available at www.gazettes.gov.ky or at www.gov.ky

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the department's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with importers, the public and other government agencies. Principal accounting polices are adopted and are prepared in accordance with International Public Accounting Standards and International Accounting Standards.

## Financial management

- Finance and Accounting
- Annual Budget
- Financial statement; half-yearly/quarterly
- Sources of revenue; import duty
- Accounting procedures; contracting procedures
- Ministerial expenditure
- List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; recently-awarded contracts
- Auction

#### Administration\*

- Insurance policies
- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Training and safety
- Information technology
- Human resources

<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

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#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Customs Law (2007 Revision)

Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)

Public Service Management Law 2005, (Law 27 of 2005)

**Customs General Procedures** 

Customs Complaint Handling Procedures (2009 Revision)

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Management Meetings
- Minutes of meetings
- Evaluation procedures
- Assessment criteria

# **Lists and Registers**

- H.M. Customs Cayman Islands FOI Disclosure Log (Available at our office. Electronic or hard copy may be requested)
- 2010 FOI Publication Scheme List (Master list available at our office and updated each year)
- 2011 FOI Publication Scheme List (Master list available at our office and updated each year)

#### **OUR SERVICES**

H.M. Customs Cayman Islands is responsible for the collection of Import Duties, Package tax and Warehouse fees under the Customs Law and Customs Regulations.

The staff of H.M. Customs Cayman Islands will help you in every reasonable way to obtain your rights and to understand and meet your obligations under the Customs Law. So that they can do this, Officers are entitled to expect that your declaration will give them the full facts they need to decide how much duty you should pay. The staff of H.M. Customs Cayman Islands will at all times carry out their duties courteously, considerately and promptly.

This information is available online at www.customs.gov.ky or can be purchased at the Legislative Assembly Building in George Town, Grand Cayman.



# **Publication Scheme**

Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Treasury Department to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Treasury Department will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Treasury Department will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Treasury Department, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Treasury Department's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on the Treasury Department website at www.treasury.gov.ky and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If you are still having trouble locating information listed using the Treasury Department website, please contact the FOI Information Manager Louella Thompson at 949-7900 or direct line at 244-2120 or email at louella.thompson@gov.ky or foi.treasury@gov.ky

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.treasury@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call Louella Thompson at 949-7900 or direct line at 244-2120 or Email louella.thompson@gov.ky or foi.treasury@gov.ky to request information.

### <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Ms. Louella Thompson Information Manager The Treasury Department 71A Elgin Avenue Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Louella thompson at 949-7900 or direct line at 244-2120 or email louella.thompson@gov.ky or foi.treasury@gov.ky.

The Treasury Department will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Treasury Department is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Treasury Department strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below..

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The Treasury Department will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information of the FOI Regulations

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Treasury Department has received your payment.

#### 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Treasury Department that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law by contacting the FOI Manager, Louella Thompson at 949-7900 or direct line at 244-2120 or email louella.thompson@gov.ky or foi.treasury@gov.ky

Or visit http://www.treasury.gov.ky Making a Request.

#### 6. Complaints

The Treasury Department aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Louella Thompson at 949-7900 or direct line at 244-2120 or email louella.thompson@gov.ky or foi.treasury@gov.ky and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from http://www.treasury.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1751,3490966& dad=portal&schma=PORTAL

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

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#### **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

**Treasury Department** 

## **Ministry**

Ministry of Finance, Tourism, & Development (Public Finance)

### **Head of Department**

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Freedom of Information website: www.foi.gov.ky

# Organisation and functions FUNCTION

The nature and scope of business of the Treasury Department is to prepare consolidated core government forecast and financial statements: cash management and forecasting: negotiation, evaluation and management of government borrowings: financial management services for Ministries/Portfolios and the Executive; promote the use of International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) in the core government and the management of delegated Trusts Assets (Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty – MLAT; Defunct Companies).

The Treasury Department is also responsible for the collection of environmental protection fees, cruise ship departure charges and debit transaction fees.

#### **UNITS/SECTIONS**

Cash Management Unit (CMU)

The Cash Management Unit operates under Part V of the Financial Regulations (2007 Revision). It falls under the auspices of the Financial Secretary and forms part of the Treasury Department within the Ministry of Finance, Tourism & Development. It is responsible for core government's centralized banking system, financing activities, reserves and investments. Its delegation includes the development and application of policies, procedures and processes to facilitate cash management functions.

The unit's functions consist of managing government's suite of bank accounts, working capital and funding activities for ministries, portfolios, statutory authorities and government companies for outputs, capital projects, investments and reserves. It serves as a conduit to the Financial Secretary in negotiating and securing core government's borrowing and provides for the subsequent management and administration of loan instruments. The unit lends itself to planning, organizing and performing financial services on behalf of Ministries and Portfolios, as well as managing and overseeing the Treasury's interest rate regime.

Cash Management Unit is comprised of two senior managers, four professional and technical staff members and one clerical officer.

#### The full team is:-

Evelyn McTaggart – Acting Manager, Fund & Cash Flow E-mail: evelyn.Mctaggart@gov.ky Ext. 244 2114

Susan Smith – Cash Management Officer E-mail: susan.mith@gov.ky Ext. 244 2128

Charles McCoy – Systems Accountant

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David Levy – Cash Management Officer E-mail: david.levy@gov.ky Ext. 244 2127

Krista Seymour-Mohammed – Cash Management Officer

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Merline Answer-Watkins – Clerical Officer

E-mail: merline.answer-watkins@gov.ky Ext. 244 2134

## **Entire Public Sector (EPS) UNIT**

The EPS Unit is charged with the responsibility of the Government's financial reporting. To this end, the Unit produces consolidated Financial Statements. A principal support function relates to the maintenance and development of the central accounting system in order to ensure accurate and timely processing and reporting of financial transactions. They assist the Accountant General recommend suitable accounting policies in compliance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS), the Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and Financial Regulations (2007 Revision) and a general adherence to best practices. The Unit comprises nine (9) persons and is divided into two (2) distinct teams. The Bank Reconciliation Team and the Reporting Team. The Bank Reconciliation team is responsible for the Bank Reconciliation function of all Ministries and Portfolios and is supervised by Jean Carias, Senior EPS Reporting Accountant, while the Reporting team reports directly to the Deputy EPS Manager Randy Myles. The overall management of the unit is headed by Sheila Thomas, Manager, EPS Reporting.

The full team is:-

Sheila Thomas – Manager, EPS Reporting E-mail: Sheila.thomas@gov.ky Ext. 244-2197

Randy Myles - Deputy Manager, EPS Reporting E-mail: Randy.myles@gov.ky Ext. 244-2139

Lorna Jackson – Senior EPS Accountant E-mail: Lorna.jackson@gov.ky Ext. 244-2100

Jane Carias - Senior EPS Accountant E-mail: Jane.carias@gov.ky Ext. 244-2129

Carlene Watler-Scott - Senior EPS Accountant E-mail: Carlene.watler-scott@gov.ky Ext. 244-2126

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Jacqueline Miranda - Bank Reconciliation Officer E-mail: jacqueline.miranda@gov.ky Ext. 244-2107

Dale Connor - Bank Reconciliation Officer Email: Dale.connor@gov.ky Ext. 244-2123

Edith Prendergast - Bank Reconciliation Officer E-mail: Edith.prendegast@gov.ky Ext. 244-2144

# **DEBT RECOVERY UNIT**

This unit is charged with the responsibility to monitor, manage and collect government's arrears of revenue and bad debts. Functions also include taking legal action to recover overdue accounts on behalf of Ministries, Portfolios, Departments and other government related entities and to recover overdue executive revenue on behalf of Cabinet.

To manage and administer all loans made by Government including loans granted to employees, private sector entities and other individuals.

The Unit's Manager is Mrs. Maria Dally and she is supported by five members of staff.

#### The full team is:

Maria Dally – Manager, Debt Recovery Unit E-mail: Maria.dally@gov.ky Ext. 244 2141

Shiann Nalty-Palmer – Credit & Debt Administrator

E-mail: Shiann.nalty@gov.ky Ext. 244 2135

Jairia Ramoon – Debt Recovery Officer

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Noel Robinson – Debt Recovery Officer

E-mail: Noel.robinson@gov.ky Ext. 244 2116

Thoywell Facey - Debt Recovery Officer

E-mail: Thoywell.facey@gov.ky Ext. 244 2125

Georgina Williams - Debt Recovery Officer

E-mail: Georgina.williams@gov.ky Ext. 244 2140

#### **PAYMENTS & PAYROLL UNIT**

The Payments and Payroll Unit provide financial management services to Ministries and Portfolios including processing of payroll related payments to all government employees and cheque processing for creditor payments as requested by Ministries and Portfolios. The Unit is supervised by the Payments and Payroll Manager who is assisted by four Payments and Payroll officers.

#### The full team is:

Ruthann Campeau – Payments & Payroll Manager E-mail: Ruthann.campeau@gov.ky Ext. 244 2103

Eric Smith – Payments & Payroll Officer E-mail: Eric.smith@gov.ky Ext. 244 2101

Camillee Beckford - Payments & Payroll Officer E-mail: Camillee.beckford@gov.ky Ext. 244 2142

Temar Clarke - Payments & Payroll Officer E-mail: Temar.clarke@gov.ky Ext. 244 2104

Jenny Miller - Payments & Payroll Officer E-mail: Jenny.miller@gov.ky Ext. 244 2118

Location and hours	Matters handled

Treasury Department Treasury Cashier - Receipt of Funds 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Treasury Admin. Providing Administrative and technical support for the overall function of the Government Administration Building 71A Elgin Avenue Department George Town Cash Management – responsible for core Grand Cayman Government's centralised banking system. Cayman Islands financial activities, reserves and investment which includes processing requests for drafts. 8:30 am to 5:00 pm - Monday to Friday wires, funding, deposit slips, exchange rates, (Main Office) requests for Corporate Credit Cards etc. Debt Recovery Services - Responsibility to monitor, manage and collect government arrears 8:30 am to 3:30 pm – Monday to Friday of revenue and bad debts, to manage and (Cashier) administer all loans made by Government. EPS Unit – Bank Reconciliations & Financial Reporting Payments and Payroll - Processing of Governments payroll and Creditor Payments

#### **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
The Accounting Policies Committee Mrs. Gloria Myles, Chairman Mrs. Sheila Thomas, Treasury Rep Chairman Patrick Smith, C.I., Audit Office Rep Delores Gordon, Internal Audit Rep Rep Tamara Hurlston, Resource Rep Ryan Raykumarsingh, Resource Rep.  Currently inactive pending appointment of new representatives.	Meets once per month and is not open to the public.	Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by requesting a copy in writing from the Information Manager at:-  Mrs. Louella Thompson Information Manager Treasury Department Government Administration Building 71A Elgin Avenue Grand Cayman KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS Direct Line: 1 (345) 244-2120 Office:1(345)949-7900Ext. 2120 Email: Louella.thompson@gov.k FOI Email: foi.tsy@gov.ky Website: www.treasury.gov.ky

# Background

The Accounting Policies Committee (APC) is an internal working committee that falls under the remit of the EPS Unit. The APC was established in 2007 with the mandate of reviewing and recommending changes to the accounting policies and procedures of the Public Sector.

The mandate of the APC is embodied in Part 2 – General Accounting of the Accounting Policies for the Financial Statements of Government.

The accounting policies are based on generally accepted accounting practice as defined in the Public Management and Finance Law (2007 Revision) and the Financial Regulations (2008 Revision).

#### **Purpose of the Committee:**

To serve the interests of the Entire Public Sector by promoting the use of IPSAS, IAS & IFRS, To ensure that the accounting policies are continuously updated to be consistent with IPSAS, IAS & IFRS.

To Facilitate Continuing Professional Education and other related training needs and, Establish relations with IFAC and other like bodies.

The Committee will meet the above objectives by:

- Promoting the acceptance and use of these standards,
- Issuing changes to the accounting policies to be consistent with accounting standards.
- Providing timely information to the EPS on any changes to the accounting policies,
- Providing guidance in the application of these standards to ensure consistency of treatment and,
- Formation of alliance with relevant accounting bodies.

The Committee comprises seven (7) members drawn from departments within Government. The committee members serve for a period of two (2) years.

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- What day is pay day?
  - A schedule of monthly, bi-weekly pay days can be found in the Document Library.
- Can cheques that are processed form another government department be collected from the Treasury?
  - Cheques are returned to the requesting Ministry or Portfolio for distribution.
- Is today the beginning of the new fiscal year?
  - The fiscal year begins on July 1, of each year.
  - Can coins be purchased at the Treasury Department?

    No. These can be purchased from the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority.
- Is this the department where court funds are processed and issued?
   No. Court funds are processed and issued at the Courts Office, Judicial Building George Town.
- What amount of funds can a government employee borrow for a personal loan? The maximum amount of money that can be borrowed by an employee is CI\$5,000.00.
- When is the next Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) being paid?
   COLA payments are determined and published by the Portfolio of Internal & External Affairs.
- How long does it take to process invoices to be paid by the Government?
   Government usually processes invoices 21 days net of invoice date but also has the option to pay earlier by guick cheque method.
- How are payments for deceased persons who are employed by the Cayman Islands Government handled?
  - If the deceased person is employed at the time of his/her death, payment would be handled in the usual way i.e. payable by way of direct deposit or by cheque in the person's name.

## How can I obtain a copy of my pay slip?

Pay slips for both monthly and bi-weekly employees are sent to Ministries/Portfolios and Departments for distribution to employees.

Requests for pay slips must be directed to the various payroll officers in the respective Ministries/Portfolios and Departments. Request to the Treasury will not be allowed unless the pay slips are lost or misplaced or there is a genuine need for a copy.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The Ministry of Finance, Tourism & Development (Public Finance) administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

#### **Governance & Legislation**

In relation to performing the Treasury function, the primary legislation and regulation are:

- Public Management & Finance Law (2010 Revision) (PMFL)
- Public Management & Finance Law Regulations (2008 Revision)

## **Corporate Management**

High-level documents that plan and evaluate the work of the authority are:-

- Annual Budget Statements
- Treasury's Continuity Plan

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

#### **General Nature of Activities**

The general activities of the Treasury is to prepare consolidated core government forecast and financial statements, cash management and forecasting, loan negotiation, evaluation and management of government borrowings, financial management services for Ministries / Portfolios and the Executive. To promote the use of International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) in the entire EPS.

## **Financial Management\***

- Annual Budget Statements
- Cayman Armoured Courier Services Contract

\*Copies can be obtained upon request from the Information Manager

#### Administration\*

- Press Releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Training
- Staff pay and grading structures Organizational Chart
- Records Management file plan or classification scheme.

### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

In addition to the laws and regulations listed above the following policies and procedures are used at the Treasury Department.

- Complaints-handling procedure;
- HR policies and procedures
- Public Servant's Code of Conduct and Public Service Values (5.12.2007)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) Law governing the Cayman Islands Civil Service & Personnel Regulations, 2006
- Draft Operating policies and procedures; standards of service (to be further updated)
- Credit Card Policy
- Information Management policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on record Management
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- National Archive and Public Records Law (2010 Revision)
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- Electronic Transactions Law (2003 Revision)
- National Pensions Law (2010 Revision) and Regulations
- Travel (Departure Tax and Environmental Protection Fee) Law (2003 Revision)
- Stamp Duty Law (2007 Revision)
- Other Local Laws and Regulations

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS\***

- Minutes of Meetings
- Evaluation Procedures
- Assessment criteria

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#### LISTS & REGISTERS\*

- FOI disclosure log: can be found at: http://www.treasury.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=3490923&dad=portal&schema=PO RTAL
- Asset Register\*

\*Copies can be obtained upon request from the Information Manager.

#### **OUR SERVICES**

The scope of the Treasury Department's activities is as follows:

- Financial advice and support
- Financial reporting
- Forecast and management of core Government's cash flows, loan tendering, evaluation and debt management
- Financial management services for Ministries / Portfolios and the Executive including Payroll processing, Creditor processing, Debt Recovery, Loans Made and Trust Asset management.
- Management of business processes of Government's financial information systems (IRIS)
- To promote the acceptance and use of IPSAS through the Accounting Policies Committee (APC)

## **Customers and Location of Activities**

Executive and Ministry / Portfolios, general public, statutory authorities and Government owned companies (GOC's) within the Cayman Islands.

General Forms\*

- Complaints Forms
- Create New Accounts receivable (Memo Line)
- Create New Account (IRIS)
- Create New Project (IRIS)
- Create New Category (IRIS)
- Create New Deposit or Cost Centre (IRIS)
- Create New Entity (IRIS)
- Application Form for Salary Advance PFE 2
- Application Form for personal Loans PFE 1
- Employee Bank Details Form
- Inter-Department Transfer Form
- Inter-Org Transfer of Funds Form

- Royal Bank of Canada Request for Telegraphic Transfer
- Vendor Creation Request Form
- Stamp Duty Reporting Form for Insurance other than Life
- Corporate Credit Card Expense Form

#### \*Available on our website:

http://www.treasury.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1751,3490862&dad=portal&schma=PORTAL and

http://it.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1185,1547969&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL&page\_param\_site=2296363&Find=Display+Documents

#### **List of Publications\***

- Government Pay Dates for 2011
- TRS Cut-Off Dates for 2011
- Government Medical Loans

#### \*Available on our website:

http://www.treasury.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1751,3490912&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORT AL

Copies of the above forms and publications may be obtained in writing or calling our Information Manager at the below address between the hours of 8:30am and 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

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#### **Classes of Information Held**

A Class of Information is a way of collecting together similar types of information. The Department of Treasury has grouped its Classes of Information into broad categories, by functions which reflect the Treasury's major areas of responsibility. If you are intending to make a request, the following Classes of Information will help you explain more precisely which records you are seeking, or where the information may be found:

## **Function – Financial Asset Management**

Administering Government cash flows, investments, reserves and trust assets. Managing Executive bank accounts and the movement of funds for the core government. Forecasting and reporting on aggregate cash position for Core Government.

Disbursements

**Government Savings** 

**Planning** 

**Policy** 

Reporting

Trust Management

## **Function – Government Accounting**

Preparing financial forecasts and reports for the Entire Public Sector. Offering advice to the Financial Secretary with regard to Treasury matters. Providing financial management services for Ministries, Portfolios and the Executive. Administering Government's financial information systems.

## For Treasury's internal accounting processes, SEE Financial Management.

Advising

Bank Reconciliation

**Debt Recovery** 

Financial Services (Payments & Payroll)

Forecasting

Guidance

Iris Management

**Planning** 

**Policy** 

Reviewing

Reporting

Training

#### **Function – Public Debt Management**

Administering and reporting on programmes to raise funds to finance government expenditure, in accordance with fiscal policy. Managing the repayment of public borrowings.

loan negotiation

loan management

policy

reporting

## **Function – Secretariat Support**

Administering or providing administrative services and assistance to high-level Committees, Boards, Advisory Councils etc. – as listed in the E-Publication Scheme.

Includes: records of the body's establishment, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, minutes of meetings, reports, and agenda.

Excludes: records of internal committees and general agency meetings. USE the relevant administrative or operational function.

Advising

Arrangements

Establishment

**Proceedings** 

Reporting

Research & Development http://www.treasury.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1751,3490928&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORT AL



# **Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands**

# **Publication Scheme**

## Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands' (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3 Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on our website, http://www.cishipping.com and can be downloaded in PDF format.

If you have any trouble locating information, please contact foi.maci@gov.ky

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's Redaction Standard.

Should you not have access to a computer or the internet the Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands will provide access via an office computer. Please call and organise a visit at:

Second floor, Strathvale House 90 North Church Street George Town Tel: +1 345-949-8831

Fax: +1 345-949-8849 Email: foi.maci@gov.ky

Monday - Thursday 8.30am - 5pm | Friday 8.30am to 4pm

#### Email

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## **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call +1 345-949-8831.

#### Post

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Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or information that is already and existing service Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage.

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#### Registration fees

## **Ship Registration:**

- Registration of ships-
- First registration of a ship;
- Registration of a Demise Chartered ship transferred IN;
- o Registration Anew or re-Registration of a ship;
- o Interim Registration of a ship<sup>1</sup>; or
- Transfer of Registration of a ship between British Registers-

	CI \$	US\$
Up to 150 gross tonnage	328.00	400.00
Over 150 and up to 400 gross tonnage	492.00	600.00
Over 400 and up to 1500 gross tonnage	697.00	850.00
Over 1500 gross tonnage	984.00	1200.00

### Registration under the issue of a Provisional Certificate of Registry

**CI** \$ **US** \$ 205.00 250.00

#### Registration of a ship under construction:

**CI** \$ **US** \$ 246.00 300.00

## Registration of Transfer or Transmission of Ownership of a ship of gross tonnage:

	CI\$	US \$
Up to 150 gross tonnage	246.00	300.00
Over 150 and up to 400 gross tonnage	328.00	400.00
Over 400 and up to 1500 gross tonnage	369.00	450.00
Over 1500 gross tonnage	492.00	600.00

## Registration of:

	CI \$	02 Þ
Alterations to a registered ship:	164.00	200.00
Change of Name of a registered ship: or	for each alteration	1

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CI\$ US\$

Change of Address or of other particulars of a Registered or change Owner, other than Change of Owner,

including the re-issuance of the Certificate of Registry.

Authorisation of a "Declaration of Lifeboats and Tenders Attached to a Ship", where applied for other than at the time of initial Registration of the parent ship:

**CI** \$ **US** \$ 82.00 100.00

Re-issuance of a Certificate of Registry to a ship and recording of changes in the Register with respect to a pleasure yacht changing status from private to commercial use or vice versa:

**CI \$ US \$** 246.00 300.00

# Processing and approval of application for reservation of a name for a ship

CI\$ US\$

where application has been made and fees paid for the No additional registration of the ship for which the name is being requested charge where application is otherwise made 492.00 600.00

#### Mortgage Registration

#### Registration of:

- A Mortgage;
- The Transfer of a Mortgage;
- The Transmission of a Mortgage; or
- The Discharge of a Mortgage -

CI\$ US\$

in relation to a ship of up to 499 gross tonnage 246.00 300.00 in relation to a ship of over 499 gross tonnage 369.00 450.00

#### Recording of a Priority Notice regarding a Mortgage:

CI\$ US\$

in relation to a ship of up to 499 gross tonnage 164.00 200.00

#### **Tonnage Measurement and Annual Tonnage Fee**

Survey for tonnage measurement and issue of appropriate Tonnage Certificate under the Tonnage Regulations

CI\$ US\$

#### CI\$ US\$

Under 24 metres in length<sup>3</sup> 369.00 450.00 24 metres in length<sup>3</sup> and over 738.00 900.00

## Annual Tonnage Fee<sup>4</sup> -

## (a) For ships of less than 87,500 gross tonnage5:

CI \$ US \$
Minimum Annual Fee: 246.00 300.00

Per 100 gross tonnage for the first 1000 of the ship's gross 41.00 50.00 tonnage:<sup>6</sup>

Per 100 gross tonnage above the first 1000 of the ship's gross 13.77 16.79 tonnage:<sup>7</sup>

# (b) Reduced Fees for ships of 87,500 gross tonnage or greater which meet the criteria set out in paragraph (c):

	Fixed Annual	Tonnage Fee
	CI\$	US\$
Gross tonnage of 87,500 or more but less than 150,000:	12,300.00	15,000.00
Gross tonnage of 150,000 or more but less than 200,000:	16,400.00	20,000.00
Gross Tonnage of 200,000 or more but less than 250,000:	20,500.00	25,000.00
Gross Tonnage of 250, 000 or more:	24,600.00	30,000.00

## (c) Criteria to be met for ships of 87,500 gross tonnage or more under paragraph (b)-

- i. The ship is to be not more than 5 years old from the date of original build at the time of registration in the Cayman Islands;
- ii. The ship is to be able to meet the requirements for it to be brought under the Cayman Islands Alternative Compliance Scheme (ACS) (See Shipping Notice No. [02/09] [CISR website] for full detail of the ACS); and
- iii. The ship is to meet all other registration and operational requirements and standards applicable to it.

# **Crew Compliance and Safe Manning Fees**

# Assessment of Application for and initial issuance of a Minimum Safe Manning Document (MSMD)-

CI \$

US \$

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For a vessel of less than 500 gross tonnage:	328.00	400.00
For a vessel of 500 gross tonnage or more:	492.00	600.00
For a sister ship or near sister ship of less than 500	164.00	200.00
gross tonnage:		

CI\$ US\$

For a sister ship or near sister ship of 500 gross 246.00 300.00 tonnage or more:

Assessment of Application to vary and re-issue an existing MSMD or the renewal of a MSMD upon its expiration, as appropriate-

CI\$ US\$

For a vessel of less than 500 gross 164.00 200.00 tonnage:

For a vessel of 500 gross tonnage 246.00 300.00 or more:

Assessment of Application for an Endorsement or Licence recognising a Certificate of Competence for service in a Cayman Islands ship and the issuance of an Endorsement or Licence as appropriate:

**CI \$ US \$** 246.00 300.00

**Processing of Application for a Seaman's Discharge Book or other Seafarer's Document:** 

CI\$ US\$

82.00 100.00

Verification of sea service upon request from a seafarer who has served on board a Cayman Islands ship:

CI\$ US\$

82.00 100.00

#### **Miscellaneous Fees**

Transcripts, Deletions, Miscellaneous Services and Administrative Charges

#### Issuance of a-

Transcript of Register (Existing or Closed):

Deletion Certificate;

CI \$ US \$
164.00 200.00
Per Per item

Duplicate Certificate of Registry to replace Lost or Damaged Certificate;

New Certificate of Registry following the lapse of a Provisional Certificate of Registry;

New Certificate of Registry to extend or replace an Interim Certificate of Registry;

Certified Copy of a Document relating to the Registration of a Ship or

Mortgage;

Issuance of Certified copies of Documents relating to the Registration of a ship

## Inspection of Register Book (per inspection):

CI\$ US\$

82.00 100.00

## Issuance or re-Issuance of a Hard Cover for Certificate of Registry:

CI\$ US\$

41.00 50.00

# Re-processing of a Document not executed within the specified time frame (e.g. a Carving and Marking Note):

CI\$ US\$

82.00 100.00

# Out of Office Hours Service Surcharge in addition to the normal applicable fee:

CI\$ US\$

205.00 250.00

# 24 Hour Service Rush Fee in addition to the normal applicable fee:

75% of the normal applicable fee

# Over-the-Counter Service Surcharge in addition to the normal applicable fee 100% of the normal applicable fee

## Faxing of Registration documents overseas (per document)

CI\$ US\$

41.00 50.00

#### Sending of documents by courier-

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Where courier costs paid by Authority	the USA & Canada 49.20	0 60.00
	United 53.30 Kingdom	0 65.00
	Rest of the 61.50 World	0 75.00
Where courier costs prepaid client	by Admin charge 20.56	0 25.00

CI\$ IIS\$

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Information held by the Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands that is not published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law. see: http://www.cishipping.com/ FOI/Making a Request

Requests should be in writing and addressed to:

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#### 6 Complaints

The Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please see <a href="http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,3520679&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL">http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,3520679&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL</a>

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

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- Strategic Management
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#### **ABOUT US**

#### Name of Authority

Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands authority as shown in the list of public authorities at www.cina.gov.ky

### Ministry

Ministry of Financial Services, Tourism & Development

# Principal officer and Key staff

Chief Executive Officer; A Joel Walton

Divisional Heads;

Director of Global Operations Kenrick Ebanks
Director of Global Commercial Services: Alfred Powery
Director of Global Safety and Compliance Greg Evans

Information manager

Information Manager; Susan Dyer

Designate; Glenda Dilbert-Davis

As listed on the Freedom of Information website www.foi.gov.ky

## **Organisation and functions**

As the national maritime administration for the Cayman Islands, Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands (MACI) will facilitate the development of Cayman as an international maritime centre and help foster a dynamic environment that supports its clients' efforts to maximise their respective stakeholders' growth opportunities and returns in global shipping; whilst promoting compliance with international standards, regional agreements, and Cayman's legislation in the areas of maritime safety and security, marine environmental pollution prevention, and social responsibility, particularly in respect to seafarers' welfare.

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#### **Boards and committees**

Please request information relating to boards and committees in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law. see:

# http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,3497406&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

Name	Meetings
Cayman Islands Ship-owners Advisory Committee	Yearly
Cayman Island Yacht-owners Advisory Committee	Yearly
Marine Patrol Strategy Workgroup	Bi annually
Maritime (Shipping) Sector Consultative Committee	Quarterly
Maritime Authority Board of Directors	Quarterly
National Maritime Security Council	Quarterly
Red Ensign Group	Yearly

#### Frequently asked questions

http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,1684138&\_dad=portal&\_schema=P

#### Registration

## Can I have an Official Number and Call Sign allocated before vessel registration?

Yes, provided that Cayman is in receipt of the application forms and relevant fees. This facilitates the simultaneous marking of a vessel, the submission of an application for Ship Radio Station Licence, and other related items.

## Can you complete the registration of a vessel with a copy of evidence of title documents such as a Bill of Sale for an existing vessel or a Builder's Certificate for a new vessel?

Yes. All registration documentation may be provided either in original form or in faxed form accompanied by an Undertaking to deliver the originals to Cayman within 7 days.

## How long does the vessel registration process take?

Under normal circumstances, transactions are completed within 2 working days of receipt of all of the forms, required documentation and applicable fees. For an additional service charge transactions may be completed on a "rush" basis within 24 hours, on the next working day. E-mail <a href="mailto:client.relationships@cishipping.com">client.relationships@cishipping.com</a> and use express fax # 1-345-946-7822.

#### Can the Shipping Registry transaction be done today?

Yes. By pre-arrangement, and for an additional service charge, we also offer an "over-the-counter" service whereby transactions may be completed "on-the-spot" by presenting, in person, the required forms, supporting documentation and applicable fees

to Cayman. E-mail <u>client.relationships@cishipping.com</u> and use express fax # 1-345-946-7822.

# Can vessel and mortgage registrations be done at any time other than within normal opening hours?

Yes. Cayman can provide a 24-hour registration and mortgage registration service for all vessels such as tankers, bulk carriers, and commercial yachts, by pre-arrangement with Cayman. For this "out-of-office service", available outside normal office hours, there is an additional fee. E-mail <a href="mailto:client.relationships@cishipping.com">client.relationships@cishipping.com</a> and use express fax # 1-345-946-7822.

# Is the Certificate of Survey from a previous Shipping Registry acceptable for vessel registration purposes?

Yes, provided that it has all of the information required by Cayman and that it has been issued by one of the seven Classification Societies authorised by Cayman.

## Can I inspect the Shipping Register?

Yes. All information held on the Register, including mortgage details, is considered to be available, for a fee, to anyone. Persons may inspect the Register at Head Office (George Town) between normal office hours or we can provide the information in the form of a document called a "Transcript of Registry".

## Can I have a copy of the Certificate of Registry for a vessel?

The documentation held on a vessel registration file is available only to the registered owner (or his/her authorised representatives) therefore no such documentation is available to third parties except for a "Transcript of Registry"

 Can I submit vessel registration forms, supporting documentation and mortgage documents at locations other than Head Office?

Yes. All can be faxed to 1-345-946-7822 and supported by a notarised Undertaking to deliver the originals to Cayman within 7 days of the date of registration. Additionally, mortgages and their related documents may be physically delivered at four other depositories worldwide.

### **Crew Compliance**

How do I apply for a Cayman Islands Endorsement and what is the supporting documentation that is required?

See Applying for an endorsements.

http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,1684629&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

# How long does it take for the application for an Endorsement to be processed?

If all required supporting documents and the relevant fees have been included it may take up to 5 working days from the day an application has been received.

# I have a Yachtmaster Offshore/Ocean ticket, what documents am I required to submit in order to obtain a Cayman Endorsement?

We do not issue a STCW endorsements in recognition of the Yachtmaster Offshore/Ocean certificates of competency since these are not certificates awarded in accordance with the STCW 1978, as amended. However, we can recognise them as certificates to serve on Cayman vessels up to a certain gross tonnage (for deck watch ratings up to 3,000 GT, unlimited; Master up to 200 GT for less than 150 miles from a safe haven; Chief Mate up to 500 GT for less than 150 miles from a safe haven; and Officer of the Watch up to 500 GT, unlimited distance from a safe haven). In addition, you will need a Seaman's Discharge Book (SDB) and therefore you will need to apply for a SDB in order to obtain the recognition of your certificate.

## May I obtain a Cayman Seaman's Discharge Book (SDB)?

Yes. A bona-fide seaman may be issued with a Cayman Seaman's Discharge Book to serve on Cayman-registered ships including yachts.

See Applying for a SDB.

http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,1684614&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

# Where should I send my completed application for a Cayman Endorsement, Seaman's Discharge Book, Minimum Safety Manning Document or Dispensation?

Head Office processes all Crew Compliance and related applications.

The ship I am going to join has been issued with a Minimum Safe Manning Document which requires a Second Engineer holding a R.III/2 (Y2) Certificate of Competency. May I obtain some form of dispensation since I possess a MCA C/Eng Y4 (III/3) Certificate of Competency.

Article VIII of the STCW Convention 1978, as amended, regulates the issue of a dispensation by a Flag State, however, the Convention stresses "in circumstances of exceptional necessity" and therefore a continuing difficulty to crew a vessel with fully-qualified personnel does not qualify for dispensation.

# Implementation of the International Ship and Port Facility Security Code

# How do I submit the Ship Security Plans (SSP) for my vessels for approval?

The Ship Security Plan, and the Ship Security Assessment (SSA) on which it is based, should be submitted to the Cayman Islands Shipping Registry (CISR) in George Town. The SSP and SSA can be submitted either as a hard and electronic copy or purely as an electronic submission. If a hard copy is submitted it will be stamped after approval and returned to the company. If only electronic copies are submitted, the title, index and revision status pages will be printed and stamped and returned to the company for inclusion in the copy of the SSP that is to be forwarded to the vessel. The CISR will only retain an electronic copy of the approved SSP and the SSA. Any additional hard copies that have been submitted will be destroyed by secure shredding after the approval process is complete.

How long should records relating to security be retained onboard?

The CISR requires records to be retained onboard for three years. This is to ensure that all records that have been made since the last verification are available at the next verification.

# How will the CISR keep companies informed of the current Security Level applicable to ships?

Current security levels will be available via www.cishipping.com . In addition, when the Security Level changes the company will be informed by email of the change.

## What security officer training will be accepted by the CISR?

Although the CISR will not be approving individual training courses, we will accept security officer training that is approved, accepted or recognized by any Administration on the STCW "White List" as meeting the requirements of the relevant IMO Model Course. It should be noted that the CISR auditors will verify the effectiveness of this training during the onboard verifications.

# What is the minimum evidence a CISR auditor will need to see in order to issue an International Ship Security Certificate (ISSC)?

Because of the short time scale ships have to comply with the ISPS Code, the CISR is not requiring a minimum implementation period before an ISSC can be issued. Up until 1 July 2004, the CISR will issue an ISSC if there is satisfactory objective evidence that:

- 1. All onboard have received appropriate instruction and training and are fully conversant with their roles and responsibilities related to ship security.
- 2. Both the master and the SSO are fully conversant with all aspects of the Ship Security Plan (SSP).
- 3. The SSP is onboard and has been approved by the CISR.
- 4. There are plans to conduct an internal audit within 3 months of the SSP being implemented onboard (if an internal audit has not already been carried out).
- 5. At least one security drill specified in the SSP has been carried out and any identified corrective action implemented.
- 6. Security equipment has been included in the ships maintenance system and has been maintained in accordance with the requirements of that system.
- 7. All security equipment is operational and is fit for its intended service.
- 8. All security measures indicated for the current security level are being implemented and that the ship is able to implement the security measures for all security levels.

# • The ISPS Code talks of "security and surveillance" equipment. What equipment is classed as "security and surveillance" equipment?

If the operation of any equipment is necessary to fulfill a requirement of the SSP or the ISPS Code it will be classed as "security equipment" for the purposes of the ISPS Code. This will include "dual use" equipment, even when the equipment's primary function is not related to security. As an example, deck lighting will probably be classed as security equipment as it is required to effectively monitor deck areas during the hours of darkness. Similarly, communications equipment will be classed as security equipment if it is used for security related communications. Conversely, an internal door lock would

not normally be classed as security equipment unless, say, it was also used to control access to a restricted area.

# Section 9 of the ISPS Code calls for many procedures to be included in the SSP. What constitutes an acceptable procedure?

A procedure is not a simple restatement of the requirements of the Code; rather it describes how you will meet these requirements. What is to be done? Who does it? How is it done? What controls do you have in place to ensure it is done? Draw on the experience you have gained in complying with the ISM Code. A simple statement that "internal audits will be carried out annually by persons independent of the area being audited" would not be accepted as an internal audit procedure for ISM, and similarly it would not be considered acceptable as an internal audit procedure for the ISPS Code.

## Do I need to duplicate work I have already done to comply with the ISM Code?

No! You already conduct internal audits, perform management reviews and prepare for emergencies related safety; it makes sense to employ this knowledge and experience in complying with the ISPS Code. A word of warning though; your existing procedures and practices may need revising to fully meet the requirements of the ISPS Code. One important difference between the ISM and ISPS Codes is that the SSP requires formal approval. When you submit your SSP for approval it must be complete. Common ISM / ISPS procedures and contingency plans must be included if full. The SSP can not state "internal audits will be conducted in accordance with ISM Procedure XXX" unless the full procedure s included in the SSP.

# When should I submit SSPs for approval and offer ships for verification?

The simple answer is "as soon as possible". Regardless of the Administration your ships are registered with, or if your Administration has delegated to a RSO, the number of ships to be verified is far in excess of the number of qualified auditors to conduct the verifications. If every ship requires verification in the last few weeks before 1 July 2004, the demand for verifications will outstrip the global capacity to supply the qualified auditors. As well as being a SOLAS requirement, recent reports suggest that failure to obtain an ISSC by the due date will invalidate P&I cover.

# How do I obtain a Continuous Synopsis Record?

Application forms for the CSR can be obtained from www.cishipping.com

# Does the Ship Identification Number required by SOLAS XI-1/3 require the prefix "IMO" or is just the seven figure number acceptable?

The ship identification number must include the prefix "IMO". That is, the number should be in the form "IMO 1234567" and not just "1234567". This was decided by IMO at MSC 77 in June 2003. The reasoning lies in IMO Assembly Resolution A.600(15) which covered the adoption of Ship Identification Numbers by IMO. The number "1234567" is legally a "Lloyd's Register Number", while "IMO 1234567" is the Ship Identification Number as adopted by IMO.

# What are the acceptable methods for marking the Ship Identification Number on large yachts?

The CISR will accept marking of the external Ship Identification Number in line with the requirements for passenger ships. That is, the external marking may be on a horizontal surface visible from the air, providing the marking is clear of awnings and other obstructions. For yachts, transfers will be considered an acceptable method for externally marking the Ship Identification Number; provided these are clearly visible, clear of any other markings on the hull and of a contrasting colour to the hull.

# When marking the Ship Identification Number internally in the machinery space, the following methods are considered acceptable:

# Steel Hull Aluminium Alloy Hull GRP / FRP Hull

Raised lettering by Raised lettering by Raise lettering mechanically fastened welding or centre welding or centre to the ships structure by means of punching.

bolts, screws etc or laminated.

The size of the markings shall be in accordance with SOLAS XI-1/3.

## Do yachts over 300 GT require AIS in accordance with SOLAS V/19?

AIS is to be provided on all yachts which have been issued with a Certificate of Compliance for a Large Charter Yacht, regardless of whether the operate in a purely private capacity. Further, the CISR recommends the fitting of AIS to all yachts engaged on international voyages.

# Where can I get more information an advice?

Although CISR is not delegating any responsibilities under the ISPS Code to Classification Societies or other Recognized Security Organizations, most of these organizations have help and advice on their websites. The websites of the major Classification Societies can be found at <a href="www.iacs.org.uk">www.iacs.org.uk</a>. Advice from CISR can be obtained from <a href="survey@cishipping.com">survey@cishipping.com</a>, please ensure you include details of you Cayman Islands registered ships with your enquiry so we can offer the most relevant advice.

#### **Merchant Ship Survey and Audit**

#### How can I contact a surveyor?

Call Head Office number (+1 345 949 8831) or send an e-mail to survey@cishipping.com.

#### What if I have an emergency?

Call Head Office number (+1 345 949 8831). Outside of normal office hours, on weekends and public holidays a recorded message will give details of how to contact a Cayman surveyor on duty.

## Does our commercial vessel require to be surveyed prior to registration?

Yes. Prior to accepting a commercial vessel for registration, a Merchant Ship Flag-in Matrix "scoring" system is used by Cayman to ensure that the vessel meets minimum safety and operational standards. Generally vessels over 15 years old or those vessels with a medium to high score may require a pre-registration survey, depending on the particular case.

# What surveys and audits can be carried out by the vessel's classification society at Flag-in?

Providing the vessel has a low Merchant Ship Flag-in Matrix score (50 or less) surveys and audits at flag-in may be delegated to the relevant classification societies.

# Can "Class" carry out Cargo Ship Safety Equipment and Cargo Ship Safety Radio annual, intermediate or renewal surveys?

Yes. For those vessels that are not in the Alternative Compliance Scheme (ACS) these surveys may be delegated to classification societies but only after a written request has been made to Cayman by the owner (or authorised representative), manager or master. These requests for delegation are reviewed immediately and approved on a case-by-case basis.

# Can a classification society surveyor/auditor carry out ISM and/or ISPS Code audits on my Company or ships?

Only in very exceptional circumstances will Cayman authorise classification societies to carry out these audits. Cayman endeavours to carry out all such audits using its own fully trained and experienced auditors.

#### How much does a survey cost?

See Survey Fees.

## Does Cayman issue Ship Radio Station Licences?

Ship Radio Station Licences for Cayman-registered ships are all issued by the Cayman Islands Information & Communications Technology Authority (ICTA). On-island assistance with your application for a Ship Radio Station Licence is also available from <a href="mailto:client.relationships@cishipping.com">client.relationships@cishipping.com</a>.

### Do I need to report an accident to my vessel?

Yes. Under Section 159 of The Merchant Shipping Law (2005 Revision) the Owner or Master is required to report any accident resulting in loss of life or serious injury to any person. Also, the Owner or Master is required to report any material damage to the vessel which may affect its seaworthiness.

# Do I need to keep an official log book?

Yes. Under Section 140 (1) of The Merchant Shipping Law (2005 Revision) all Cayman ships are required to keep an official log book. An official log book can be obtained by shopping online or by contacting our Head Office or our European Regional Office in the UK.

# Where can I get an official log book?

An official log book can be obtained by shopping online or by contacting our Head Office or our European Regional Office in the UK. In addition to the official log book, we also supply oil record books, garbage record books, and GMDSS log books. We do not supply deck log books or engine room log books but these can be purchased from various maritime documentation suppliers.

# **Large Commercial Yacht Survey and Audit**

# What is the Code of Practice for Safety of Large Commercial Sailing and Motor Vessels?

This Code of Practice was introduced in 1998 (as an equivalent approach) to address the requirements of SOLAS, International Load Line Convention (LL 66) and the STCW Convention in a yacht-specific manner. IMO Circular letter 1966 dated 27th July 1997 gave effect to the Code as equivalence on an international basis.

# How does the Code of Practice for Safety of Large Commercial Sailing and Motor Vessels relate to the term LY1 and LY2?

LY1 is the abbreviated term used to refer to the original Large Commercial Yacht Code which came into effect in December 1998. LY2 is the abbreviated term for the revised Code, which came into effect in September 2004 When do I need to comply with the Code of Practice for Safety of Large Commercial Sailing and Motor Vessels?

When the yacht is engaged in trade/commercial activities, such as chartering-out.

# Can I comply with the Code of Practice for Safety of Large Commercial Sailing and Motor Vessels on a voluntary basis?

Yes, many owners will build to the Code or bring their yachts into the Code, for a number of reasons, including the peace of mind of knowing their yacht complies with an internationally recognised safety standard. Other reasons include vessel resale value maximisation and risk management issues such as risk mitigation.

### What International Conventions apply to Yachts?

See Matrix of International Conventions Applicable to Yachts. http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,1684570&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

# What are the requirements for maintaining Large Commercial Yacht Certificates once these are issued?

Large Commercial Yacht Certificates are valid for a maximum of 5 years subject to periodic inspections followed by a renewal survey at the end of the 5 years.

# • What happens if the periodical vessel inspections are not carried out?

The periodic inspections can be carried out within 3 months either side of the anniversary date, which corresponds to the expiry date of the certificate otherwise the certificate becomes invalid.

## Does the yacht have to be on the Commercial Vessel Register to be able to Charter?

No, the vessel may remain on the Pleasure Yacht Register, but the yacht must have valid Large Commercial Yacht Certificates appropriate to the size of the vessel and be manned in accordance with Cayman Manning Regulations and LY2 requirements.

# Can a yacht switch between Commercial Vessel and Pleasure Yacht Registration on a regular basis?

Yes. However, a yacht can only be issued with one Certificate of Registry at a time. In order for the yacht to be registered as a commercial vessel it must be in possession of valid certificates appropriate to its size. For yachts over 500 GT, this includes, but is not limited to, a Safety Management Certificate, an International Ship Security Certificate, a Continuous Synopsis Record and a Minimum Safe Manning Document. These Certificates must remain valid for the duration of the period that the yacht remains registered as a commercial vessel. The Certificate of Registry which is not in current use must be returned to Cayman but can then be re-issued on application.

#### Does the MARPOL Convention apply to Yachts?

Yes, MARPOL applies to all vessels, commercial and pleasure, however only yachts over 400 GT are required to be certificated.

### Is the COLREG applicable to Yachts?

Yes, the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREG), prescribes safe measures for visibility, navigation and sound signalling to ensure safe navigation for all users of the world's oceans.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

### Copies of all Laws and Regulations available at cost from Cayman Registry.

Companies Law (2009 Revision)

- Freedom of Information Law (2007 Revision)
- The Maritime Authority Law (2008 Revision)
- The Merchant Shipping Law (2008 Revision)
- The Merchant Shipping (Marine Pollution) Law, 2001
- The Merchant Shipping (Returns of Births and Deaths) Regulations, 2004
- The Merchant Shipping (Classes of Ships) Regulations, 2002
- The Merchant Shipping (Carriage of Packaged Irradiated Nuclear Fuel Etc.) (INF Code) Regulations, 2003
- The Merchant Shipping (Certification of Ships' Cooks) Regulations, 2004
- The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Collisions and Use of Distress Signals)
   Regulations, 2003
- The Merchant Shipping (Counting and Registration of Persons on Board Passenger Ships) Regulations, 2002
- The Merchant Shipping (Entry into Dangerous Spaces) Regulations, 2004
- The Merchant Shipping (Registration Fees) Regulations, 2006
- The Merchant Shipping (Guarding Of Machinery and Safety of Electrical Equipment)
   Regulations, 2004
- The Merchant Shipping (Load Line) Regulations, 2002
- The Merchant Shipping (Certification, Safe Manning, Hours of Work and Watchkeeping) (Amendment) Regulations, (2004 Revision)
- The Merchant Shipping (Marine Pollution) Regulations, 2004
- The Merchant Shipping (Means of Access) Regulations, 2004
- The Merchant Shipping (Medical Examination) Regulations, 2002
- The Merchant Shipping (Carriage of Nautical Publications) Regulations, 2002
- The Merchant Shipping (Port State Control) Regulations, 2003
- The Merchant Shipping (Registration of Ships) Regulations, 2002
- The Merchant Shipping (Marine Pollution) (Reporting of Incidents Involving Harmful Substances) Regulations, 2004
- The Merchant Shipping (Safety of Navigation) Regulations, 2004
- The Merchant Shipping (Tonnage) Regulations, 2002
- The Merchant Shipping (Vessels in Commercial Use for Sport or Pleasure) Regulations, 2002
- The Merchant Shipping (Maritime Security) Regulations, 2007
- The Merchant Shipping (Control of Pollution by Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk) (Cayman Islands) Regulations, 1988
- The Merchant Shipping (BCH Code) (Cayman Islands) Regulations, 1988
- The Merchant Shipping (IBC) Code) (Cayman Islands) Regulations, 1988

- The Merchant Shipping (Crew Accommodation) (Cayman Islands) Regulations, 1988
- The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Garbage) (Cayman Islands) Regulations, 1989
- The Merchant Shipping (Submersible Craft Construction, Equipment and Survey) (Cayman Islands) Regulations, 1991
- The Merchant Shipping (Submersible Craft Operations) (Cayman Islands) Regulations, 1991
- The Merchant Shipping (Provisions and Water) (Cayman Islands) Regulations, 1989
- The Merchant Shipping (Repatriation) (Cayman Islands) Regulations, 1989
- The Merchant Shipping (Crew Agreements, List of Crew and Discharge of Seamen)
   Regulations, 1992

#### **Corporate management**

http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,4163079&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,4568246&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

Annual report

Press Releases

Audit reports

**Statistics** 

Plans for business continuity,

Disaster recovery

Minutes of meetings;

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

#### Financial management

Documents relating to the administration of the authority's monetary resources – including projected and actual income and expenditure; tendering; procurement; and contracts.

http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,1684241&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

Annual budget

**Credit Card Authorisation** 

Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)

Public Management and Finance (Amendment) Law, 2009

Copies of all Laws and Regulations available at cost from Legislative Assembly.

#### Administration

Documents relating to other administrative functions carried out within the authority – including buildings, equipment & vehicles; communications; human resources; information & technology management.

Disposal schedule (Draft only)

Records Management file plan (Draft only)

Copies of these documents will not be available until final.

### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Current written protocols used by the authority for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services.

Complaints-handling procedure Employee and Office Policies Handbook Cayman Maritime Employment Application Information Management policy

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

This information is covered under MACI Corporate.

### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

Information held on the Register, including mortgage details, is considered to be available, for a fee, to anyone. Persons may inspect the Register at Head Office (George Town) between normal office hours or we can provide the information in the form of a document called a "Transcript of Registry".

Shipping Registry

**Statistics** 

Specialized reports can be created to collate specific information when necessary

### **OUR SERVICES**

The maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands (MACI) is a statutory corporation formed as a separate legal entity under the Maritime Authority of the Cayman islands Law, 2005, which came into effect on 1 July, 2005.

Below is a list of Publications available listed under MACI Divisions

http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,1684544&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

**Shipping Notices** 

## Registration

Serving both pleasure yachts and commercial shipping interests

http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,1684241&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,4568246&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

A Guide to Vessel registration Cayman Registry a brief Overview Presentation Vessel Name Proposal and Reservation Appointment of an Authorised Person

# Vessel Registration in the Cayman Islands

Application for Miscellaneous Services

## **Crew Compliance**

Ensuring that a ship is safely manned and the crew properly trained, certified and medically fit to work on Cayman ships.

# http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,1684241&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

Endorsement Application Seaman's Discharge Book Safe Manning Application (Ships) Safe Manning Application (Yachts)

# **Survey and Certification**

Professional survey services to Cayman-registered vessels globally, and to new builds of another Flag, to ensure these ships are built and maintained in accordance with international and domestic legislation

# http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,1684241&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

Request for Services

Request for the issue of a Continuous Synopsis Record

**Shipping Notices** 

http://www.cishipping.com/portal/page?\_pageid=1307,1684544&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

# **Methods of Access**

Further Information is available on the Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands' website <a href="http://www.cishipping.com">http://www.cishipping.com</a>

Should you not have access to a computer or the internet the Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands will provide access via an office computer. Please call and organise a visit at:

All other information can be purchased through Cayman Registry:

Second floor, Strathvale House

90 North Church Street

George Town

Tel: +1 345-949-8831

Fax: +1 345-949-8849

Email: foi.maci@gov.ky

Monday - Thursday 8.30am - 5pm | Friday 8.30am to 4pm



# Tourism Attraction Board Publication Scheme Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice

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## 1. About the publication scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Tourism Attraction Board to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Tourism Attraction Board will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Tourism Attraction Board will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Tourism Attraction Board, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in *section 7: Categories of information*.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Tourism Attraction Board's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### **Online**

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within *section 7: Categories of information* will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at <a href="https://www.tab.ky">www.tab.ky</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact:

## **Information Manager**

Tourism Attraction Board Crighton Building, Suite # 203 PO Box 31783 Grand Cayman KY1-1207 Cayman Islands, BWI T: (345) 949-6999

T: (345) 949-6999 F: (345) 949-6668

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at <a href="foi.tab@gov.ky">foi.tab@gov.ky</a> to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call (345) 949-6999 to request information.

#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

## **Information Manager**

Tourism Attraction Board PO Box 31783 Grand Cayman KY1-1207

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See *section 4: Fees and charges* for further details.)

# Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

# Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact the **Information Manager** @ (345)949-6999.

The Tourism Attraction Board will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Tourism Attraction Board is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Tourism Attraction Board strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The Tourism Attraction Board will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Tourism Attraction Board has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the publication scheme

Information held by the Tourism Attraction Board that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

#### 6. Complaints

The Tourism Attraction Board aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Information Manager, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from our offices.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 10727, Grand Cayman KY1-1007, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: <u>appeals@ico.gov.ky</u>

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
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# **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Tourism Attraction Board (TAB)

# **Ministry**

Financial Services, Tourism & Development

4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Gov't Admin Bldg, George Town, Grand Cayman

Tel: (345) 244-2458 Fax: (345) 945-1746

Email: tedc@gov.ky Website: http://www.caymanfinance.gov.ky

# Chief Officer - Ministry FS, T&D

Mr. Carson K. Ebanks

## **Chief Executive Officer - TAB**

Mr. Gilbert Connolly

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Mr. Andrew Guthrie

• General Manager, Queen Elizabeth II Botanic Park

Mr. Carson (Denny) Ebanks

General Manager, Pedro St. James

Mr. Bernie Bush

• Executive Director, Pirates Week National Festival

Mr. Jean-Eric Smith

Manager, Cayman Craft Market

Mr. Patrick Thompson

• Financial Comptroller, Tourism Attraction Board

# **Information Manager**

Mr. Patrick Thompson

Mrs. Junilee Brooks (*Designate*)

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# **Organisation and functions**

The Tourism Attraction Board overseas the management of four on island attractions as well as the national festival.

- Queen Elizabeth II Botanic Park
- Pedro St. James
- Cayman Craft Market
- Hell Attraction Site
- Pirates Week National Festival

The Tourism Attraction Board is established under The Tourism Attraction Board Law, 1996. The major responsibilities of the Tourism Attraction Board are defined in this Law and there are currently no accompanying regulations.

Location and hours	Matters handled
Tourism Attraction Board Administrative Offices Suite 203, Crighton Building, George Town, Grand Cayman 8:30 am – 5:00 pm – Monday to Friday (Closed for Public Holidays)	Development and implementation of marketing strategies, personnel management, general accounting & insurance management; preparation of budgets and financial statements, F.O.I. management, Health Insurance and Pensions management, the provision of secretarial services for the Board and implementation of Board Policies.
Queen Elizabeth II Botanic Park  367 Botanic Road North Side Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands October to March: 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., last admission at 4:30 p.m. April to September: 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., last admission at 5:30 p.m. (Closed on Christmas and Good Friday)	Operational management for the display and maintenance of Colour Gardens and Heritage Garden; maintenance of nature trail; plant sales and maintenance; educational seminars; operation of gift shop; promote rental of the site for special events and the propagation of indigenous plants.
Pedro St. James 290 Pedro Castle Road Savannah Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  Open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Closed Christmas Day and Good Friday)	Operational management and custody of a historic site; operation of gift shop and the theatre audio-visual show; café and bar operation; promote rental of the site for special events; generate revenue from on site activities.

Multi-sensory 3-D presentation begins every hour from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Final seating is at 4 p.m.)	
Cayman Craft Market Corner of Boilers Road and South Church Street George Town Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  8:30 pm— 3:00 pm — Monday to Friday (weather permitting)  (Occasionally open on Saturdays during high season)	Organize and manage the activities of artists and vendors; maintenance of building and site; promote Caymanian arts and craft.
(Closed Christmas Day and Good Friday)  Hell Attraction Site 93 Hell Road West Bay Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  Site is accessible at all times however the shops and restrooms are open from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm daily	Preservation of natural resources; maintenance of buildings and site; collection of monthly rental fees from gift shops.
Pirates Week National Festival 10 Shedden Road George Town Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands 8:30 am – 5:00 pm – Monday to Friday (Closed for Public Holidays)	Organise and schedule units of the festival; generate revenue from events, sponsorship, and donations; assist District Heritage Days presentations.

# **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Tourism Attraction Board  Chairman - Kirkland Nixon Deputy Chairperson - Ezeithamae Bodden Member - Deirdre Seymour Member - Rollin Jackson Secretary - Gilbert Connolly (CEO) Ex-Officio (DOT) Ex-Officio (Ministry)	Meets quarterly. Not opened to the public.	Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by requesting a copy in writing from the Information Manager
The Pirates Week Committees	Meets on demand. Not opened to the public.	Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by requesting a copy in writing from the Information Manager.

# Frequently asked questions

### When do the theatre shows run at Pedro St. James?

Pedro St. James features a multi-sensory theatre experience. The show touches all the senses as it takes viewers through the history of the Great House.

Showing for the show start daily at 10:00 am and run throughout the day on the starting on the hour. The final showing of the day is at 4:00 pm.

Special viewing times for special groups or functions can be set up. Contact the administrative offices at Pedro St. James for more information – (345) 947-3329.

## Do I have to pay an entry fee to enter the Hell attraction site?

No, the Hell attraction site is open free to the public. There are 3 gift shops on the property as well as public washrooms which are open daily from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.

Please note that there is limited lighting and no on-site security, therefore after hours visits are discouraged and done so at the visitors own risk.

## Can I hold my wedding ceremony at the Botanic Park?

Yes, the Botanic Park has been the venue for many weddings and private functions. There are several locations on the site that are suitable for events. For more information contact the Botanic Park at (345) 947-9462.

## When is the Cayman Craft Market open?

The Cayman Craft Market is officially open Monday – Friday from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. There are however other times that you may see vendors selling at the market and this is due to individual vendors choosing to extend or add to the normal hours when large numbers of cruise ships are in port. The market is also sometimes open on weekends during the high season to accommodate cruise visitors.

Please note that on days where the weather and conditions are extreme, the Craft Market will be closed. For more information contact the Craft Market at (345) 949-0049.

### Can I book a special function at Pedro St. James?

Yes. The Pedro St. James site is used regularly for weddings, parties, conferences and special events. These functions can be as small as 2 to over 1000 people.

There are several locations available and include; the Great Lawn, the Gazebo, the Resource Centre, the Cafe and the Courtyard.

The site also employs a full-time events coordinator who can help with any questions or queries you may have. The events coordinator can be contacted at (345) 947-3329 for more information on what is available.

# Can I purchase plants from the Botanic Park?

Yes. The Botanic Park operates a plant nursery which is open to the public. The nursery houses many different types of plants including; native trees, fruit trees, flowering plants and orchids. Several times a year the nursery holds plant sales. The dates for these sales are set based upon the inventory that is available to sell.

The Botanic Park also partners with the Cayman Islands Orchid Society once a year (usually in the first quarter of the year) to put on an Orchid Show. During and following the show, a large selection of orchids is also available for purchase.

New to the nursery is a separate 'Native Tree' section which features for sale many species of plants/trees native to the Cayman Islands. Funding for this project was from a partnership with the Department of Agriculture and a private sector donation.

For more information on specific types of plants available for sale, please contact the Botanic Park at (345) 947-9462.

# How do I find out more about the Blue Iguanas?

The Blue Iguana Recovery Project is run by the Cayman Islands National Trust. They are also responsible for the Captive Breeding Programme. While the programme is based on the Botanic Park site, all iguana related activities are carried out by the National Trust.

For more information on the Blue Iguana's please contact the Program Director at (345) 947-6050 or <a href="www.blueiguana.ky">www.blueiguana.ky</a>.

# How can I become a vendor at the Cayman Craft Market?

The Cayman Craft Market on the corner of Boilers Road and South Church Street features a group of crafty and artistic vendors. In order to obtain a licence to do business at the market you must complete the following steps:

1) Complete and return the 'Vendor Application Form' to the TAB Admin Offices in the Crighton Building on Crewe Road. Forms can be downloaded from the Craft Market website (<a href="www.tab.ky/craftmarket">www.tab.ky/craftmarket</a>) or picked up from the TAB

- Administrative Offices. Photographs of the products you wish to sell must accompany the application form.
- 2) The application is passed on to the Manager of the market for feedback.
- 3) A meeting time is set with the CEO to discuss the application with the prospective vendor. At this time it is advised that the applicant bring samples of the products they wish to sell in order to better illustrate their proposal.
- 4) The CEO decides if a licence should be issued.
- 5) If a licence is issued, the applicant must pay the prescribed fee(s) and sign a formal licence agreement.
- 6) Once the licence is issued, the new vendor contacts the Craft Market manager to arrange a date to start at the market.

# **STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT**

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

The key strategic goals and objectives (from an ownership perspective) for The Tourism Attraction Board for the 2010/11 financial year are as follows:

- Increase the attendance at and profitability of the attractions and national festival, ensuring their sustainability as tourism products in the Cayman Islands.
- Preserve and enhance the environment and history of the attractions through physical renovations and social awareness.
- Provide research to assess visitor expectations, human capital requirements, and commercial opportunities.
- Improve the visitor experience through education, improved signage, and technological enhancements.

## Governance

- The Tourism Attraction Board Law, 1996
- Employee Hand Book & Office Policies Manual
- Public Accountants Law (2009 Revision) International Public Accounting Standards
- Information Management Policy; Disposal Schedule (records retention policy)
- Labour Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- Public Service Management Law
- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008

- Electronic Transactions Law 2003 revision
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Workmen's Compensation Law (1996 Revision)
- Immigration Law (2006 Revision) and Regulations
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2005 Revision)
- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision) and Regulations
- Environmental Health Laws and Regulations

# **Corporate management**

- Annual reports
- Audit reports on overall operations or major projects
- Compliance assessments; inspections; reviews; performance evaluations
- Statistics
- Risk management assessments
- Plans for business continuity, hazard management and disaster recovery

# FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

# Financial management

- Annual budget
- Financial statements: Half-yearly / quarterly reports
- Sources of revenue; Investments; Capital programme
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures
- Ministerial expenditure
- List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; Recently-awarded contracts

#### Administration

- Insurance policies
- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme

# **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

- The Tourism Attraction Board Law, 1996
- Complaints-handling procedure; HR policies and procedures

- Information management policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Operating policies and procedures; Standards of service
- Employee Hand Book & Office Policies Manual

# **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Board Meeting
- Minutes of meetings
- Evaluation procedures
- Assessment criteria

# **LISTS & REGISTERS**

FOI disclosure log

# **OUR SERVICES**

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE – Development and implementation of marketing strategies, personnel management, general accounting & insurance management; preparation of budgets and financial statements, F.O.I. management, Health Insurance and Pensions management, the provision of secretarial services for the Board and implementation of Board Policies.

BOTANIC PARK – Operational management for the display and maintenance of Colour Gardens and Heritage Garden; maintenance of nature trail; plant sales and maintenance; educational seminars; operation of gift shop; promote rental of the site for special events.

PEDRO ST. JAMES –Operational management and custody of a historic site; operation of gift shop and the theatre audio-visual show; café and bar operation; promote rental of the site for special events; generate revenue from on site activities.

PIRATES' WEEK OFFICE – Organise and schedule units of the festival; generate revenue from events, sponsorship, and donations; assist District Heritage Days presentations.

CAYMAN CRAFT MARKET – Organize and manage the activities of artists and vendors; maintenance of building and site; promote Caymanian arts and craft.

HELL ATTRACTION – Preservation of natural resources; maintenance of buildings and site; collection of monthly rental fees.

### **Customers and Location of Activities**

The customers come from three markets – residents, stay-over tourists, and cruise ship passengers.

The services provided by the Tourism Attraction Board are supplied through its attractions sites located at; Pedro St. James, Savannah; the Queen Elizabeth II Botanic Park, Frank Sound Rd, North Side; Cayman Craft Market, George Town; Hell Attraction, West Bay; Pirates' Week Office in George Town. The Tourism Attraction Board Administrative office is located at Suite # 203, Crighton Building, Crewe Road, Grand Cayman.



# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This Publication Scheme commits Cayman Airways Limited to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

Cayman Airways Limited will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

Cayman Airways Limited will generally not publish;

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by Cayman Airways Limited, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorized disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, wherever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed is Section 7: Categories of Information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm Cayman Airways Limited (or other organizations) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to Section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of Information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed. Website address: www.caymanairways.com

#### Online

Some of our documents are published electronically on www.caymanairways.com, and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within *Section 7: Categories of Information* will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If the link is broken, you may contact our Information Manager Pamela Watler directly at 743-8228 or Abbey Glasgow Information Manager Designate directly at 743-8443 or alternatively via e-mail to foi@caymanairways.net

#### E-mail

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by e-mail. You can e-mail us at foi@caymanairways.net to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

# **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please contact Ms. Pamela Watler at (345)743-8228 or, Ms. Abbey Glasgow at (345)743-8443, to request information.

### <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to;

Ms Pamela Watler Information Manager Cayman Airways Limited P.O. Box 10092 Grand Cayman KY1-1001 CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See Section 4: Fees and Charges for further details).

#### Personal Visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *Section 7: Categories of Information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

# Advice and Assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Pamela Watler at 743-8228 or Abbey Glasgow at 743-8443 or alternatively email them at pamelawatler@caymanairways.net; abbeyglasgow@caymanairways.net.

Cayman Airways Limited will adhere to its obligations under Section 10 of the **FOI Law**, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where Cayman Airways Limited is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. Cayman Airways Limited strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by e-mail will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

# Reproduction Costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

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Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within Section 7: Categories of Information of the FOI Regulations.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when Cayman Airways Limited has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by Cayman Airways Limited that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing.

Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law by contacting FOI Manager Pamela Watler at 743-8228 or by e-mailing pamelawatler@caymanairways.net.

#### 6. Complaints

Cayman Airways Limited aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, or would like to request further information regarding our complaints procedures, please contact Pamela Watler at 743-8228 or Abbey Glasgow at 743-8443 or alternatively, an email to: foi@caymanairways.net and we will try to resolve your complaint as guickly as possible.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

P.O. Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: 1(345)747-5402 E-mail: appeals@ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
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- Management, Board and Committees
- Destinations/Gateways
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- Policies and Procedures
- Departments
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- Flight Schedules

#### **ABOUT US**

### Name of Public Authority

Cayman Airways Limited, National Flag Carrier of the Cayman Islands

## <u>MINISTRY</u>

Cayman Airways Limited operates under the Ministry of Financial Services, Tourism & Development

### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

To be the premier choice of safe, reliable, and enjoyable air transportation to all markets we serve, in the best interests of the Cayman Islands.

#### **VISION STATEMENT:**

To be the most efficient Airline in the region

# **VALUES:**

- Caymanian
- Dynamic
- Easy to do business with
- A great place to work
- A participative and team oriented Organization
- Leveraging technology
- A good Corporate Citizen
- Committed to Safety and Security
- Dignified and respectful in all relationships
- Devoted to continuous improvement
- Dedicated to Customer satisfaction every time

#### **GOVERNANCE:**

The Companies Law
Trade & Business Law
Public Management & Finance Law
Civil Aviation Authority Cayman Islands
Federal Aviation Authority

### **ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS:**

Cayman Airways is the national flag carrier of the Cayman Islands. With our head office in Grand Cayman, we operate mainly as an international and domestic scheduled passenger carrier, with cargo services available on all routes and a limited charter service offered. Our operations are based at Owen Roberts International Airport, Grand Cayman.

Cayman Airways was established and started operations on August 7, 1968. It was formed following the Cayman Government's purchase of 51 percent of Cayman Brac Airways, from LACSA, the Costa Rican flag carrier, and became wholly government owned in December 1977.

# **MANAGEMENT, BOARD & COMMITTEES**

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#### **DESTINATIONS/GATEWAYS**

As of January 2009, Cayman Airways operates scheduled flights to and from the following destinations:

# Cayman Islands:

Grand Cayman (Owen Roberts International Airport) Cayman Brac (Gerrard Smith International Airport) Little Cayman (Edward Bodden Airfield)

#### Cuba:

Havana (Jose Marti International Airport)

#### Honduras:

La Ceiba (Goloson International Airport)

## Jamaica:

Kingston (Norman Manley International Airport) Montego Bay (Sangster International Airport)

## **United States:**

Chicago, Illinois (O'Hare International Airport) Seasonal\*
Miami, Florida (Miami International Airport)
New York, New York (John F. Kennedy International Airport)
Tampa, Florida (Tampa International Airport)
Washington DC (Washington Dulles International Airport) Seasonal\*

### **Cayman Airways Future Destinations:**

### Panama:

Panama City (Tocumen International Airport)

# **Cayman Airways Past Destinations:**

#### **United States:**

Boston, Massachusetts (Logan International Airport) Houston, Texas (George Bush Intercontinental Airport)

#### **HEADQUARTERS LOCATION**

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Telephone: 345.949.8200 Facsimile : 345.949.7607

#### **OPENING HOURS:**

### **ADMINISTRATION OFFICES:**

MONDAY – FRIDAY 8:30AM – 5:00PM

# **RESERVATIONS OFFICES**:

MONDAY – FRIDAY 7:00AM – 9:00PM

SATURDAY & SUNDAY 7:00AM – 5:00PM

# **PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

9:00AM - 5:00PM (subject to change)

# **CITY TICKET OFFICES**:

MONDAY – FRIDAY 8:30AM – 5:00PM SATURDAY – 9:00AM – 4:00PM

# **SUNDAY: CLOSED**

# **CARGO**

**MONDAY - FRIDAY:** 

Imports 8:30AM - 5:00PM

Exports 8:30AM - 5:00PM \* (Cargo acceptance closes at 3:00PM)

SATURDAY:

Imports 8:30AM - 12:00PM

Exports 8:30AM - 12:30PM \* (Cargo acceptance closes at 10:30AM)

# **SUNDAY: CLOSED**

# **EXPRESS**

MONDAY - FRIDAY:

8:30AM - 5:00PM

# **SATURDAY: CLOSED**

## **SUNDAY: CLOSED**

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

## HR Policies and Procedures:

- Policy 101: Nature of Employment
- Policy 102: Employee Relations
- Policy 103: Hiring of Relatives
- Policy 104: Employee Medical Examinations
- Policy 105: Outside Employment
- Policy 106: Job Posting & Transfers
- Policy 104: Re-Hire Eligibility

# **Employee Status and Records:**

- Policy 201: Employment Applications
- Policy 202: Employment Reference Checks
- Policy 203: Personnel Data Changes
- Policy 204: Performance Evaluations
- Policy 205: Access to Personnel Files

## **Employee Benefit Programs:**

- Policy 301: Employee Benefits
- Policy 302: Vacation
- Policy 303: Holidays
- Policy 304: Maternity Leave
- Policy 305: Sick Leave
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- Policy 307: Compassionate Leave
- Policy 308: Relocation
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- Policy 310: Health Insurance
- Policy 311: Life Insurance
- Policy 312: Workers' Compensation Insurance
- Policy 313: Educational Assistance

### Non-Revenue Travel:

Policy 350: Free and Reduced Rate Transportation

**Definitions** 

Penalties for violation of free and reduced rate privileges

Company Policy

Ticket/Trip Pass not transferable

Authorization and control of access

### **Dress Code**

# Timekeeping/Payroll:

- Policy 401: Timekeeping
- Policy 402: Paydays
- Policy 403: Separation from Employment

Notice

Layoffs

Severance Pay

Suspension

References

Policy 404: Administrative Pay Corrections

### Work Conditions & Hours:

- Policy 501: Safety
- Policy 502: Work Schedules/Attendance
- Policy 503: Smoking
- Policy 504: Rest and Meal Periods
- Policy 505: Overtime
- Policy 506: Emergency Closings
- Policy 507: Business Travel Expenses
- Policy 508: Visitors in the Workplace
- Policy 509: Workplace Monitoring
- Policy 510: Workplace Violence Prevention

### Leaves of Absence:

- Policy 601: Personal Leave
- Policy 602: Pregnancy related issues

### Employee Conduct and Disciplinary Action:

- Policy 701: Employee Conduct and Work Rules
- Policy 702: Employee Responsibilities

Standards of Professionalism

**Productivity** 

Housekeeping

**Telephone Courtesy** 

Misrepresentation

**Professional Conduct** 

**Business Ethics and Conduct** 

Conflicts of Interest

### Non-Disclosure

#### The Media

- Policy 703: Drug and Alcohol Use
- Policy 704: Sexual and Other Unlawful harassment
- Policy 705: Attendance and Punctuality
- Policy 706: Personal Appearance
- Policy 707: Use of Company Property

Use of Telephones

Use of equipment and vehicles

Computer and Email Usage

Internet Usage

- Policy 708: Return of Property
- Policy 709: Resignation
- Policy 710: Retirement
- Policy 711: Security Inspections
- Policy 712: Solicitation
- Policy 713: Drug Testing
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- Policy 715: Problem Resolution
- Policy 716: Casual Days

## Miscellaneous:

- Policy 800: Life-Threatening Illnesses in the Workplace
- Policy 801: Employee Activities and Programs

#### Employee Acknowledgement Form: NonU.S.

- Policy 901: Immigration Law Compliance
- Policy 902: Employment Categories
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- Policy 904: Adoption Leave Benefits
- Policy 905: Witness Duty
- Policy 906: Benefits Continuation
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- Policy 910: Political Activities
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#### Employee Acknowledgement Form: U.S.

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- Policy 960: Family and Medical Leave
- Policy 961: Military Leave

# **RATES/SCHEDULE OF FEES**

# **CARGO RATES:**

### **GRAND CAYMAN**

	JIFFY (from Miami Only)Under 5lbs	MIN 5lbs - 70lbs	71 lbs to 100lbs	Over 100 lbs	Over 1100 lbs
Grand Cayman - Miami	\$35.00	\$50.00	.60 per lb	.55 per lb	.50 per lb
Grand Cayman - Tampa	-	\$55.00	.70 per lb	.65 per lb	.60 per lb
Grand Cayman - Kingston	-	\$45.00	.52 per lb	.45 per lb	.42 per lb
Grand Cayman - Cayman Brac	-	\$30.00	.31 per lb	.27 per lb	.25 per lb
Grand Cayman - Havana	-	\$44.00	.51 per lb	.45 per lb	.42 per lb
Grand Cayman - Little Cayman	-	\$30.00	.31 per lb	.27 per lb	.25 per lb

All rates **excluded** Air waybill \$10.00, Collect Fee \$10.00, Security Charge \$10.00 (MIA-GCM)/ \$18.00 (GCM-MIA)

# **CAYMAN BRAC**

JIFFY (from Miami Only)Under 5lbs	MIN 5lbs - 70lbs	71 lbs to 100lbs	Over 100 lbs	Over 1100 lbs
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<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from the Information Manager/Designate\*

Cayman Brac - Miami	\$35.00	\$55.00	.55 per lb	.60 per lb	.55 per lb
Cayman Brac - Tampa	-	\$70.00	.75 per lb	.70 per lb	.65 per lb

### **EXPRESS RATES:**

GCM to/from CYB/LYB:	CYB to/from LYB:
\$6.00	N/A
\$15.00	\$10.00
\$25.00	\$15.00
\$37.00	\$25.00
\$37.00	\$25.00
	\$6.00 \$15.00 \$25.00 \$37.00

Plus \$0.50/lb each additional lb Plus \$0.25/lb each additional lb (Subject to change)

### **BAGGAGE RATES:**

Weight .

Weight:	Description .	1 663.
56 – 70 pounds	(Overweight Bag)	\$ 50.00
71 – 99 pounds	(Overweight Bag)	\$175.00
Over 99 pounds		*Not Permitted

Fees.

Quantity: Fees:

Description ·

Additional bag up to 55 pounds (excess bag 3-5) \$100.00 Additional bag up to 55 pounds (excess bag 6-8) \$200.00 Additional bag (excess over 8) \*Not Permitted

Fees and charges for weight and quantity are cumulative.

#### SIZE:

63 – 80 inches	(length + height + width)	up to 55 pounds	\$100.00
63 – 80 inches	(length + height + width)	up to 70 pounds	\$150.00
63 – 80 inches	(length + height + width)	up to 99 pounds	\$225.00
Over 80 inches	(length + height + width)		*Not Permitted

Contact a Cayman Airways Representative at 345 949 8200 for any questions or clarification of allowance, charges, fees as they may be subject to change.

### **FLIGHT SCHEDULES:**

Flights are subject to change. Please contact a Cayman Airways representative at 345 949 8200 for any questions or confirmations regarding all flight schedules.



# Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd.

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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## 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every Public Authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a Publication Scheme.

The purpose of a Publication Scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage Authorities to proactively publish information and to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The Publication Scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This Publication Scheme commits Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. will:

- specify the information held by the Authority which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish, or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the Authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this Scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this Scheme:
- make this Publication Scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this Scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- specific scientific papers or documents;
- information that is not held by Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd., or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised Disposal Schedule;
- information that is not readily available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matters will be published in a redacted form, wherever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this Publication Scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible, however, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one (1) of the categories of information listed in Section 7: Categories of Information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it, for example: where disclosure would breach the Law of Confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Cayman Turtle Farm's commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to Section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of Access

Information available under our Publication Scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of Information provides more details on the information available under the Scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online:

Many of our documents are published electronically on our website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within Section 7: Categories of Information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at www.turtle.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our Scheme, please contact Ms. Katherine Jackson, Information Manager.

#### Email:

If information is listed in our Publication Scheme but is not published on the website, we will send it to you by email. You can email us at foi@turtle.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details, if necessary.

#### Phone:

Documents listed in the Publication Scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call 345 949 3894 to request information.

#### Post:

All information listed in the Publication Scheme will be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

P.O. Box 812, Grand Cayman, KY1-1303, Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details, if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See Section 4: Fees and Charges for further details.)

## Personal Visits:

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the Publication Scheme. Appointments may be made from Mondays to Fridays, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A reading area will be provided in the Finance and Administration Offices.

#### Advice and Assistance:

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Ms. Katherine Jackson, Information Manager.

Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. will adhere to its obligations under Section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination when providing information in accordance with this Publication Scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

## 4. Fees and Charges

The purpose of this Scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

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#### Reproduction Costs:

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

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# Postage Costs:

Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within Section 7: Categories of Information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. that is <u>not</u> published under this Scheme can be requested in writing. Each request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law. Listed below are the methods of contact:

## Contact Methods and Detail

- Email your request or comments to foi@turtle.ky
- Post your letter to P.O. Box 812 KY1-1303 WB Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands
- Fax your letter with the Attn: Katherine Jackson to 345-949-1387
- Hand deliver your written request to our receiving department in the Executive Offices at 786 NW Point Road, West Bay
- In Person at our office and fill out a FOI Request Form, 786 NW Point Road, West Bay

#### 6. Complaints

Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. aims to make our Publication Scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this Publication Scheme, please contact Ms. Katherine Jackson at katherinejackson@turtle.ky or foi@turtle.ky and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from our Complaints Procedures document and is available online at foi@turtle.ky or in hard copy.

You have legal rights to access information under this Scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

P O Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
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## **ABOUT US**

#### Name of Public Authority

Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd.

#### Ministry

Ministry of Financial Services, Tourism and Development Government Administration Building, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, George Town, Grand Cayman

Tel: (345) 244 2458 Fax: (345) 945 1746 E-mail: foi.mte@gov.ky

## **Principal Officers**

Timothy Adam, Managing Director Christopher Jackson, Chief Infrastructure Manager Raymond Hydes, Chief Sales Officer Phillip Fourie, Head of Finance

## **Other Key Personnel**

Sean Glidden, Finance Manager Joelle McCrae, Human Resources Manager Mary McCoy, Merchandise Manager Geddes Hislop, Curator, Terrestrial, Exhibits & Educational Programmes Brian Dann, Senior Aquarist
Walter Mustin, Chief of Animal Husbandry
Carla DeSouza, Box Office Manager
Katherine Jackson, Office Manager/Information Manager
Gary Franklin, Information Technology Manager
Brian Barnes, Food & Beverage Manager

## **Information Manager**

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#### **Organization and Functions**

Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. was first opened in July 1968 as Mariculture Ltd., the home of the green sea turtle (*Chelonia mydas*), by a group of investors from the United States and Great Britain as a facility to raise the green sea turtle (*Chelonia mydas*) for commercial purposes. It was first located at the Salt Creek inlet in the North Sound, and then relocated to the current Goat Rock area in the early 1970s.

The intention was to supply the market with a source of product that did not deplete the wild populations further. By releasing turtles and facilitating research, any harm created by removing turtles and eggs from the wild would be mitigated.

After much work was put into pioneering the requirements of domesticating this wild animal, regulations designed to protect the sea turtle prevented the sale of even the farmed turtle products to overseas markets. Mariculture Ltd. was eventually bought out by a group from Germany in 1975 and renamed Cayman Turtle Farm Ltd. After eight (8) years, this new company gave up and the Cayman Islands Government then purchased the Farm in 1983 and continued operations as a private company, Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd.

At the Farm, the entire life cycle of the green sea turtle (*Chelonia mydas*) can be observed, and once per year, young green sea turtles (*Chelonia mydas*) of 12 – 18 months are released into our ocean as part of our conservation of the living breed.

In 2001, the Island encountered a terrible hurricane, Michelle, which wrought much damage to the Turtle Farm, and, because of the extensive renovations needed, it was decided that a marine park, Boatswain's Beach would be designed to become the new home of Cayman Turtle Farm and located on the land side. Boatswain's Beach was opened in November 2005 which added greatly to the Island's tourism product.

In September 2010, as part of a new strategic planning exercise, the Board of Directors of Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. announced its decision to drop the trading name "Boatswain's Beach" and to proceed instead with the trading name: "Cayman Turtle Farm: Island Wildlife Encounter". A new logo has also been produced to be used along with the new trading name.

Cayman Turtle Farm: Island Wildlife Encounter is a marine-themed park which carries a predator tank with Brown or Sandbar sharks and Nurse sharks, a 1.3 million gallon salt-water snorkel lagoon with a variety of fish and small turtles, a fresh water lagoon with its own waterfall, a free-flight aviary showcasing Caymanian and Caribbean bird life with a nearby Nature Trail, the turtle tanks containing various ages of the green sea turtle or *Chelonia mydas* including a touch tank, the Cayman blue iguanas, agoutis, and a 4-year old crocodile which we adopted from Old Man Bay, North Side. The Hawksbill, Loggerhead and Kemp Ridley turtles are also kept on display.

In addition to all our facilities, we also have the Marine/Turtle Education Centre which houses a new state-of-the-art turtle hatchery. a restaurant and bar serving the local delicacy, Turtle Meat and many other Caymanian dishes, Splash - the retail shop, three (3) rented retail kiosks and our own Cayman Street. We also lease a retail kiosk at the Royal Walter Port Terminal to greet our cruise guests.

Eighty-seven (87) persons are employed to ensure that this facility operates efficiently.

## **Company's Vision Statement:**

To be the Cayman Islands' premiere tourism attraction where visitors and residents enjoy a world class experience, showcasing Caymanian wildlife and heritage while hosting an internationally renowned research and conservation centre for Sea Turtles.

## **Company's Mission Statement:**

To be a world-renown Caymanian attraction where guests enjoy a quality interactive experience with animals, all served by friendly professional well-trained personnel in a culturally rich and safe environment while promoting public awareness and involvement in conservation through research, utilization and education.

Mailing Address:

P O Box 812,

Grand Cayman KY1-1303

Cayman Islands

Telephone Number: 1-345-949-3894 Fax Number: 1-345-949-1387 E-mail Address: foi@turtle.ky Website Address: www.turtle.ky

## Here is also a link to the Freedom of Information Website:

www.foi.gov.ky

#### **Location and Hours**

Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. is located at 786 Northwest Point Road, West Bay, Grand Cayman. Opening hours are from Monday to Saturday – 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Name of Departments	Matters Handled
Executive	Evaluates the Company's overall performance and progress towards established targets. Revises regulatory instruments that affect the Company's functions and responsibilities.

Administration and Finance	Manages government relations with the Governor, Ministers and Members of the Legislative Assembly. Obtains legal advice from external sources. Includes executive support, internal policy development, corporate planning and annual reporting activities.  Administers the Company's monetary resources, managing funds allocated through Cabinet and other revenues. Establishes internal controls and procedures for financial management, operating account systems, financial planning and budget management. Develops business plans and corporate policy. Sets long-term goals and objectives.
Operations (Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing)	Manages Company's material resources, buildings, equipment and vehicles to facilitate normal business operations. Acquires and maintains premises that are built, purchased or leased by public sector agencies. Acquires and maintains equipment and stores — major and minor Acquires and maintains all mechanical, electrical and plumbing elements. Maintains a reliable and effective Animal Life Support System (ALSS) to produce the most clean and clear water to facilitate a wonderful experience for guests while enjoying peace and tranquillity in a serene environment. Manages all lagoon works, including scheduling of lifeguards, while seeking alternate energy sources. Includes motor vehicle accident reporting and security activities.
Human Resources Management	Administers Company's human resources, establishing new positions, recruiting and transferring personnel. Manages salaried, waged and volunteer staff, employed under the Public Service Management Law 2005 or General Orders, and the Public Service Pensions Law. Develops staff skills through training and other programmes. Reviews remuneration and employment conditions. Ensures the health and safety of staff and visitors to the Company's premises.  Includes performance management and work place relations activities.
Strategic Management (Box Office, Retail, Terrestrial & Education, Marine, Turtles, Tours, Food & Beverage)	Manages the Company's operations at the organizational level. Evaluates the Company's overall performance and progress towards established departmental targets. Manages programmes to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery. Revises regulatory instruments that affect each

	Department's functions and responsibilities to ensure top quality in delivering excellence in customer service while supporting education and	
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Communications (Marketing and Special Events through Tower Marketing Ltd.)	animal interaction.  Manages the Company's relationships with its clients, Government and the public. Maintains customer relations and handling of complaints. Contributes to formal inquiries or investigations. Develops public relations through community events, media campaigns and official functions. Designs and produces publications in any format (e.g. paper, online and multimedia). Includes marketing, promotional activities and special events.	
Information and Technology	Presently outsourced to Tower Marketing Ltd.  Administers the Company's information	
Management	resources and systems. Designs, procures and	
(includes Freedom of Information)	implements systems for managing and communication business information. Maintains and disposes of software or hardware. Creates or acquires, stores and disposes of information resources. Provides reference services and handling of Freedom of Information requests. Develops policies, tools and procedures for managing technology and information.  Ensures that the Company has the necessary leadership, resourcing, planning and training in place for the successful implementation and execution of the FOI Law. Ensures that the Company has a comprehensive Publication Scheme for access by the public.  Includes records management, library management and technical intranet or website maintenance activities.	

# **Boards and Committees**

Name		Meetings	Minutes
Mr. Kenneth Hydes	Chairman	Board Meetings are held at Cayman Turtle Farm's Conference Room on a monthly basis unless	or Management Meetings are available, upon request,
Mr. Armando Ebanks	Deputy Chairman	otherwise dictated by urgent matters arising.	which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure –
Mr. Dale Bodden	Director		for example: personal information or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt

Mrs. Pamela Small	Director	matters will be published in a redacted form, wherever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.
Mrs. Laura McLaughlin	Director	αρριγ.
Mrs. Dara Flowers- Burke	Director, Chamber of Commerce Representative	
Mr. Michael Nixon	Director, Financial Secretary's nominee	
Mr. Carson Ebanks, MBE, JP	Director, Permanent Secretary for Tourism	
Mr. Kearney Gomez, MBE, JP	Director, Permanent Secretary for Agriculture	
Mr. Timothy Adam	Managing Director/Secret ary	

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

## What kinds of sharks are in Predator Reef?

The Cayman Turtle Farm has two species of sharks at this time. They are **Brown or Sandbar Sharks** (Carcharhinus plumbeus) and **Nurse Sharks** (Ginglymostoma cirratum).

# How do you tell the difference between the two species?

The Brown Sharks are all approximately 4' at this time and will reach a length of 7'. The Brown Sharks are very sleek looking with a single prominent dorsal fin in the middle of their backs and a much smaller dorsal fin near the caudal fin or tail. You will see the Brown Sharks continually swimming the majority of the time.

The Nurse Sharks are quite a bit different. They will spend a great deal of their time lying on the bottom. They have two distinct dorsal fins on their backs and two sensory barbels found on either side of their mouths like a cat fish. The barbels are used to help the

nurse sharks find prey under the sand and rocks. The smallest of the nurse sharks is named Freddy and he is approximately 6' in length and he is the best trained of the nurse sharks. The other Nurse Sharks are over 8' in length. Our largest is named Macca and he is more than 9' in length.

#### Are the Sharks males or females and how do you tell the difference?

You will see both males and females in Predator Reef. To tell the difference you have to look at their lower bellies behind their anal fin. If they are males you will see two finger-like projections running along behind the anal fins. These projections are called Claspers. If you see nothing like that then the Shark is a female, though the claspers can be very difficult to see in adolescent male Sharks. All of the nurse sharks are males and have very large, easily seen claspers.

#### Will the Sharks breed?

That is a possibility but we will have to wait and see.

# How many Sharks live in Predator Reef?

7. 3 nurse sharks and 4 brown sharks.

## Are the Sharks dangerous?

Sharks can be dangerous; however we treat them with respect and they do the same for us when we are in the water with them.

The Brown Sharks are closely related to Bull Sharks (Carcharhinus leucas,) which is considered by most Shark experts to be the most dangerous of all the Shark species. The Brown Sharks are also cousins to the Great White Shark (Carcharodon carcharias); however, Brown Sharks are not considered to present that much danger to humans as long as they do not feel threatened.

The Nurse Shark probably bites more humans than any other Shark. The reason is most likely due to most people considering them harmless and toothless and therefore will harass them to the point of aggression. Nurse Sharks do have teeth and can deliver a good bite if provoked. SO DON'T PROVOKE THEM.

## Do the Sharks eat the other fish in Predator Reef?

Not typicall, however, they could and mostly likely will on occasion. Sharks will be Sharks! These sharks are well fed by the biologists so they will usually not waste the energy in hunting.

#### When are the Sharks fed?

Typically the biologists will feed them every day at 11:00 am, except Saturdays.

#### Can the quests swim with the Sharks?

Not at this time, however, a program is being worked on for the future where the guests would be allowed to sign up for a supervised SCUBA dive or snorkel. Check back with us in a few months.

## How many fish are found in the Lagoon and Predator Reef?

At this time there are approximately 1200 in the Salt-Water Lagoon and 150 in the Predator Reef. Fish of several different species are found in both lagoons. In the near future, a lot more fish will be introduced.

#### How are the fish fed?

The biologist feed the fish in the Lagoon and Predator Reef around 9:30 am - 5 days a week. After the food is prepared for the fish the biologists will throw the food into the Lagoon. This occurs from certain points around the Lagoon by scattering the small chunks of chopped fish over wide areas to give all of the fish a chance to eat.

## Can the guests feed the fish?

The biologists need to keep a close watch over the diets of all of the fish to insure they are getting only high quality food in the correct amounts and varieties. The guests are invited to enjoy watching the feeds and ask questions about the feeding but to, please, not feed the animals.

Brian Dann Senior Aquarist Updated: November 30<sup>th</sup> 2010

## **FAQs**

## Where is Cayman Turtle Farm: Island Wildlife Encounter?

Cayman Turtle Farm: Island Wildlife Encounter is located on the Northwest tip of Grand Cayman in the district of West Bay, just 8 miles from George Town. On the way, visitors are treated to the scenic vista of the world-famous Seven Mile Beach as well as authentic Caymanian architecture.

## I'm a cruise ship passenger. How do I avail myself of a tour?

Grand Cayman allows a maximum of 6,000 cruise ship visitors daily, which means there can be as many as three to five ships at one time. Being one of the most popular ports of call in the Caribbean, there is at least one cruise ship in port on most days.

The cruise lines most frequently seen calling in the Cayman Islands include: Carnival Cruise Lines, Celebrity Cruises, Crystal Cruises, Cunard Cruise Line, Holland America, Norwegian Cruise Line, Princess Cruises, Radisson Seven Seas Cruises and Royal Caribbean International.

All ships call at the capital of George Town in Grand Cayman. As there is no cruise ship dock, all ships anchor off shore and visitors are brought ashore by tenders. Whilst on board the ship, passengers are given a variety of choices pertaining to available activities to do during their day in Grand Cayman. This includes a trip to the Turtle Farm. Buses will be waiting at the North or South terminal for those on pre-booked excursions.

## I have no pre-booked tour. How do I get to and from Cayman Turtle Farm?

#### **Taxis**

Taxis are readily available from the taxi stand at the cruise ship dock, all resorts and Owen Roberts International Airport. They offer a fixed rate per vehicle or per person. The cost of a taxi from George Town to the Cayman Turtle Farm is CI\$16.00/ US\$20.00 for up to three people (subject to change).

#### **Buses**

Visitors may also opt to take the official public bus transportation system first launched in October 1998. The new bus terminal is located adjacent to the Public Library on Edward St. in downtown George Town and serves as the dispatch point for buses to all districts.

There are 38 mini-buses operated by 24 licensed operators, serving eight routes. Daily service starts at 6:00 am from the depot to West Bay every 15 minutes and the schedule is as follows:

Route	Colour Code	Time	Fare
Route 1 (Directly to Cayman Turtle Farm)	Yellow	6:00am – 11:00pm Sunday-Thursday	CI \$2.00 – (subject to change)
Route 2	Lime Green	6:00 am - 12 midnight Friday & Saturday	CI\$2.00 + extra CI\$1.00 to stop at the Turtle Farm (subject to change)

To maintain consistency in fares, each bus must display a fare table outlining standard government-authorized fares. The hotline number for public comment and feedback is 945-5100.

#### **Limousine Services**

There are several private limousine services on Grand Cayman for special events and airport transfers.

#### **Rental Cars**

Rental cars can be pre-booked before arriving in Grand Cayman. This is advisable during our busy winter season. Most cars can be picked up at the airport or driven to your hotel. Cayman has one of the Caribbean's most extensive modern fleets of rental cars at competitive rates, and many feature right hand drive.

In addition, most rental jeeps and vans are right hand drive, left hand stick shift. Driving is on the left side of the road throughout the Cayman Islands and it is the law to wear seat belts. Visitors must obtain temporary driver's licenses from the car rental agency, easily granted upon presenting a valid driver's license from their home state, county or parish.

You must be 21 to rent a car in the Cayman Islands, and some rental agencies' insurance will not cover renters under 25. Please check with your rental company in advance to determine. This info can also be found on our website at www.turtle.ky

## **Implementation**

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The key strategic goals and objectives (from an ownership perspective) for the Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. are as follows:

## **Turtle Herd**

- Increase hatchlings by 230%
- Reduce hatchling mortality rate by 20%
- Grow herd number by approximately 5,000 turtles

## **Turtle Meat production**

- Maintain production at 400 lbs. live weight per day, 4 days per week.
- Adjust meat product retail price to achieve desired level of production and to optimize the turtle herd.

## **Retail & Tours**

- Increase Turtle Farm Tour customer arrivals by 2% to 5%.
- Review commercial viability of different tours / business segments and adopt a long term sustainable option.

#### Governance

- Endangered Species Protection Law
- Marine Conservation (Marine Parks) Regulations (2007 Revision)
- Environmental Health Laws and Regulations
- Labour Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- Public Service Management Law
- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- Electronic Transactions Law 2003 revision
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Public Service Pensions Law
- Public Health Law
- Liquor Licensing Law (2000 Revision)
- Music and Dancing (control) Law (1995 Revision)
- Workmen's Compensation Law (1996 Revision)
- Immigration Law (2006 Revision) and Regulations
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2005 Revision)
- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision) and Regulations
- HR policies and procedures
- Public Accountants Law (2009 Revision) International Public Accounting Standards

#### **Corporate Management**

Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. has fourteen (14) departments, each of which has a Head of Department.

Listed below are documents, procedures and policies which are used to plan, implement and evaluate the work of each Department:

#### **Executive**

Minutes of Board Meetings Minutes of Management meetings Articles of Association Memorandum of Association

Company Registers – Shareholder's Register and Directors' Register

Lease Documents on rented Kiosks (3)

Schedule of Owned Property (Block and Parcel Number)

Contract with private Tour partner

Dolphin Discovery (Cayman) Ltd. Lease

Ownership Agreement between Cabinet of Cl Gov't and Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd.

Summary of Board and Delegated Authorities 2010

## **Administration & Finance Department**

2010 – 2011 Annual Budget templates

**Purchasing Notes** 

Cheque Requisition Template

Payroll Amendment Requisition form

Wristband Reconciliation form

Standard of Procedure for Accounts Staff

**Inventory Count Guidelines** 

PC Request form

Inter-Dept. Expenses Allocation form

Signed Annual Audited Financial Statements (2002 – 2009)

Unaudited Financial Statements (2010)

Monthly Management Accounts (from 2007/2008)

Port Authority Lease Document

## **Operations Department**

Request for Proposal letter

Logbooks for all Company Vehicles

Insurance Policies for all Company Vehicles

Insurance Policy for Company

Hurricane Preparedness Plan (updated)

Wire Transfer Requisition

Credit Card Explanation form

**Employee Performance Evaluation** 

Janitorial Log – Daily Activity

Janitorial Appraisal form

Job Request form

MEP Appraisal form

New Vendor Notification

Sample of Ledger for each of Operations' Vendors

Sample of Ledger for Operations (July 07 –

Schedule of Owned Vehicles

Notice of Accident-Public Liability Insurance form

Employee's Notice of Injury Claim form

Incident/Accident Report

Lifeguards' training manual

#### **Human Resources Department**

**Employment Application form** 

Employee's Handbook

Public Service Pension Board's Enrolment Form

Medical Insurance Contract with Cayman First Insurance (Sagicor)

Benefit Election form – Defined Contribution

Exit Survey template

Unsuccessful Application Letter

Designated Beneficiary form 08

Absent Form

HR Work Request form

New Hire-Computer Work Order

Bank Reference Letter

Job Offer Letter

Incident Accident Report template

Performance Evaluation

**BB** Organizational Chart

Staff Pay and Grading Structure

## Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing Department

BB Lagoon Lifeguard Zones

Absent Form

Cheque Requisition Form

Grounds Staff Schedule (Nov. - Dec. 2009)

ALSS Daily Check List

Petty Cash Requisition form

Breakers Pool Lifeguard Zones

Grounds Reference Map

Overtime Claim Form

Special Pool Cleaner Compensation Claim Form

**Aquatic Incident Report** 

Work Order template

Contractor Daily Return

Grounds Staff Daily Activity Log

Lifeguard New Daily Supervisor Log

Pool Testing Log

Vigilance Awareness Training – Operational Mannequin Drops – Report

CUC Bill Charts 2009

Water Authority Discharge Permit Report (monthly)

Animal Life Support Data Log

Water Bill Chart 2009

Lifeguard Cleaning Hours Chart

Lifeguard Cleaning Hours Log

## **Box Office Department**

Standards of Procedure (SOP) for Sales Attendants

Refund Policy (draft)

#### **Retail Department**

Standards of Procedure (SOP) for Retail Employees

Refund Policy (draft)

## **Terrestrial and Education**

Birds Papers

Budget 2009 – 2010

T&E Brochure

Lagoon and Predator Tank brochure

Treasure Hunt brochure

Visitor's Guide Sheet

Summer Camp Protocol

Education Tour Packages guidelines

**Aviary Sections Plan** 

Animal Stock 2009

School Visitation Guidelines

School Visitation application form

Standards of Procedure – Education

Terrestrial Exhibits Operations Manual

Quarantine Room Cleaning Procedures

Water Protocol

Enrichment Protocol

Nature Trail Protocols

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Animal Guidelines and Procedures

Iguana Feeding Protocol

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Protocols for Cleaning the Waterfall

Cleaning the Dishes Protocol

Husbandry Manual, Agouti

Husbandry Manual, Parrots

White Crown Pigeons Release Protocol

Feeding Protocol

Other Zoos Protocol

**Agouti Training Procedures** 

Sponsor a Turtle - Conservation Guidelines

Blue Iguana Observations

Green Iguana Notes

## **Marine Department**

Fish Transport and Receipt Protocol

Food Preparation Protocol

Skimmer Box Grating Cleaning Protocol Jan 09

Predator Reef Dive Protocol

Water Pre-treatment Protocol for Chlorine and de-chlorine

Buffering Protocol for Shark Quarantine System

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Volunteer Programmes - List of Expectations

## **Turtle Department**

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Permit Applications US

DoE/DoA Correspondence

Fish Acquisition

Water Chilling/Deep Well information

Keys Workshop and Sea Turtle Symposium

Management Training documents

Disease Publications

**Nesting Records** 

Farm Records

Breeders - Nov 01

Pond Watch Reports Fish Information Effluent Monitoring Anti Degradation Study

#### **Tours Department**

Carnival Cruise Line Contract
Disney Cruise Line Contract
Royal Caribbean Cruise Line Contract
Princess Cruise Lines Contract
Norwegian Cruise Line Contract
Tours Procedures

#### Information Technology

Information Technology Usage Compliance Policy Telephone Contracts with LIME

## **Food and Beverage Department**

License for Sale of Liquor on Premises License for Music and Dancing on Premises

## **Freedom of Information Department**

Complaints Form (revised 281008)

Internal Complaints Procedure (revised 120908)

File Lists

Disclosure Log (JADE Tracking System)

Filing Space Allocation Plan

Deputy Governor's Paper on Code of Practise on Publishing (111109)

\*\* **Marketing** and **Special Events Departments** were closed in early 2010, and Tower Marketing Ltd. has since been contracted as the Company's Marketing agent.

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Current written protocols used by Cayman Turtle Farm (1983) Ltd. for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services:

Articles of Association

Memorandum of Association

Information Technology Compliance Policy

Refund Policy

Standards of Procedure

Employee's Handbook

Turtle Farm Complaints Procedures (FOI)

Internal Complaints Procedure

**Purchasing Notes** 

Hurricane Preparedness Plan

Employee Performance Evaluation

Staff Pay and Grading Structure

Communications Procedures

Special Events Policies and Procedures

Grounds Staff Daily Activity Log

Lifeguard New Daily Supervisor Log

Pool Testing Log

Standard of Procedure (SOP) for Sales Attendants

Refund Policy (draft)

Disease Publications

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**Tours Procedures** 

"Manager on Duty" Roster

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Minutes of all Board Meetings and Management meetings are maintained which include any Board Resolutions, policy proposals and changes, recommendations and other executive matters.

Minutes of Board Meetings

Minutes of Management Meetings

Schedule of Directors' Fees (2007 to date)

## LISTS & REGISTERS

## The following lists and registers are maintained:

Company Registers – Shareholder's Register and Directors' Register Schedule of Owned Property (by Block and Parcel Number)

Schedule of Vehicles

## **OUR SERVICES**

See Section 7: Categories of Information, Point (a), Location and Hours for these details. Also see our website – www.turtle.ky.



# **Cayman Islands Airports Authority**

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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This Publication Scheme commits the **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

## The CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this Scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this Scheme;
- make this Publication Scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this Scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

# The **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information which is not held by the CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information which is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this Publication Scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY's** (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

## 3. Method of access

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

Information available under our Publication Scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below:

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

## Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on our website: http://www.caymanairports.com and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within *section 7: Categories of information* will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If you experience difficulty locating information listed under our Scheme, kindly contact:

The Information Manager
Cayman Islands Airports Authority
298 Owen Roberts Drive
P.O. Box 10098
Grand Cayman KY1-1001
CAYMAN ISLANDS

Email: foi@caymanairports.com
Website: http://www.caymanairports.com

**Telephone**: +1345 943-7070 **Facsimile**: +1345 943-7071

#### <u>Email</u>

If information is listed in our Publication Scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at **foi@caymanairports.com** to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

## Phone

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#### Post

All information listed in the Publication Scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

The Information Manager
Cayman Islands Airports Authority
298 Owen Roberts Drive
P.O. Box 10098
Grand Cayman KY1-1001
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In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

## Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact:

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Email: foi@caymanairports.com Telephone: (+1345) 943-7070 Facsimile: (+1345) 943-7071

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Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

## 4. Fees and charges

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Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

## Postage costs

The **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** that is <u>not</u> published under this Scheme can be requested in writing or via email to **foi@caymanairports.com**. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

To Make a Request, an application form may be downloaded from our website at: http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/FOI%20Application%20Form.pdf

# 6. Complaints

The **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** aims to make our Publication Scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

Further information about our Complaints Procedure may be obtained from: http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/customer-service/complaints-policy

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this Publication Scheme, please contact the **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** at +1345.943.7070 or via email to **ciaa@caymanairports.com** or fax at +1345.943.7071 and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

You have legal rights to access information under this Scheme, and a right to complain to the **Information Commissioner** if you are dissatisfied with our response. The contact details are as follows:

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town P.O. Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1345.747.5402 Email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
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- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

## Name of public authority:

**CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** as shown in the list of public authorities at www.cina.gov.ky

## **Ministry**

Ministry of Financial Services, Tourism & Development

## **Key Staff:**

For a comprehensive listing with photographs of the Management Team of the **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY**, kindly visit our website:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/about-us/our-team

Chief Executive Officer: Jeremy L. Jackson

Senior Managers:

Wendy Jackson Chief Human Resource Officer

Wayne DaCosta Information & Communication Services

Walter Ebanks Air Navigation Services

Kerith McCoy Airport Operations (Owen Roberts International Airport)
Rohendis Britton Airports Operations (Gerrard-Smith International Airport)

Shelley Ware Financial Controller

Andrew McLaughlin Safety Management Systems

Shane Bothwell Airport Security

Managers:

Sheron Ebanks Human Resources Manager Bianca Moore-Downey Airport Operations Manager

Caren Thompson-Palacio Communications & Marketing Manager
Julian Watler Information Technology Manager

Jayne Brett Accounting Manager Eimer Powery Project Manager

**Information Manager:** Caren Thompson-Palacio

Designate: Liz Lynee

As listed on the Freedom of information website: www.foi.gov.ky

## **Organisation and Functions**

The **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** (CIAA) is a statutory authority which owns and operates Cayman's airport facilities comprising of two international aerodromes, Owen Roberts International Airport on Grand Cayman and Gerrard-Smith International Airport on Cayman Brac, as well at off-site navigational aids on both islands.

The CIAA was created in June 2004 and is governed by a Board of Directors who oversees its operations in accordance with the Airports Authority Law (2005 Revision).

A Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is appointed by the Board and is responsible for the day to day management, including financial, commercial and operational matters as well as the overall safety and security of airport operations and human resource development. The Management Team consists of the CEO and eight senior managers and six managers.

## **Contact Details:**

# **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY**

298 Owen Roberts Drive 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor – Main Terminal Building P.O. Box 10098 Grand Cayman KY1-1001 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Email: ciaa@caymanairports.com Website: http://www.caymanairports.com

**Telephone:** (+1345) 943-7070 **Facsimile:** (+1345) 943-7071

Locations and hours	Matters handled
Cayman Islands Airports Authority (ORIA) Administrative Offices 298 Owen Roberts Drive 2 <sup>ND</sup> Floor, Terminal Building Grand Cayman 8:30am -5:00pm Monday – Friday Terminal Overview: http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/ove rview-of-owen-roberts-international-airport	Commercial & Private Aircraft Terminals Air Traffic Services & Support Functions Security Access Passes (Vehicles & Personnel) Airline Office & Passenger Processing Facilities Dispatch Functions for Ground Transportation Commercial Facilities (Concessions/Restaurants) Revenue Parking Facilities (Short & Long Term)
Cayman Islands Airports Authority (G-SIA) Administrative Offices 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Terminal Building West End, Cayman Brac 8:30am - 5:00pm Monday – Friday Terminal overview: http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/ove rview-of-gerrard-smith-international-airport	As outlined above.

# **Boards and Committees:**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Board of Directors:		
Chairman:	Meets Monthly	Hard copies of these
Mr. Norman Bodden		Minutes may be requested
Deputy Chairman:	Not open to the public	in writing from the
Mr. Richard "Dick" Arch		Information Manager at
Directors:		foi@caymanairports.com
Mr. Roy Grant		
Mr. Larry Bryan		Please refer to section 3:

Mr. Arnold Berry Mr. Frank E. Flowers, Sr. Mr. Andrew Johnson Mr. Bruce Smith Mr. Carlon Powery This information is also available at our website: http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/about-us/our-team		Methods of Access
Aerodrome Safety Committee Provides advice to airport management on airside and apron safety matters and provides a forum for airport management to work with its users and staff to consider and address safety related issues. Wildlife Hazards Working Group	Meets Monthly  Meets Annually or as	Hard copies of these Minutes may be requested in writing from the Information Manager at foi@caymanairports.com Please refer to section 3: Methods of Access Hard copies of these
Addresses wildlife problems at the aerodrome. The group considers hazards and techniques for wildlife mitigation, future anticipated hazards such as migratory patterns, and impact of local projects that will have an effect on the wildlife present on the airport.	needed	Minutes may be requested in writing from the Information Manager at foi@caymanairports.com Please refer to section 3: Methods of Access
Apron Management Sub-Committee  Discusses and develops policies and procedures for airside operations.	Meets as needed	Hard copies of these Minutes may be requested in writing from the Information Manager at foi@caymanairports.com Please refer to section 3: Methods of Access
Airport Security Committee  Provides a forum for airport partners for the coordination of policies and procedures for aviation security.	Meets Quarterly	Hard copies of these Minutes may be requested in writing from the Information Manager at foi@caymanairports.com subject to FOI Exemptions. Please refer to section 3: Methods of Access
Airport Facilitation Committee  Provides a forum for CIAA  Management and airport partners to address matters relating to passenger servicing; aircraft handling and associated fees as well as other relevant airport matters.	Meets Monthly	Hard copies of these Minutes may be requested in writing from the Information Manager at foi@caymanairports.com Please refer to section 3: Methods of Access

## **Frequently Asked Questions:**

**Q:** What are the functions of the CIAA (Cayman Islands Airports Authority) versus the CAACI (Civil Aviation Authority Cayman Islands)?

**A:** The CIAA owns and operates the two commercial terminals: Owen Roberts International Airport on Grand Cayman and Gerrard-Smith International Airport on Cayman Brac, whereas, the CAACI is the statutory authority responsible for providing technical and economic regulatory oversight for the Cayman Islands' aviation industry.

For a list of other frequently-asked questions, kindly refer to: http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/customer-service/faq

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Our Vision: To Bring Excellence to All Levels of Your Airport Experience

**Our Mission:** To provide our customers with professional, innovative airport services and facilities in a safe efficient manner.

## **Our Core Values:**

**Safety:** We are dedicated to a strong safety culture.

**Excellence:** We are committed to ensuring excellence in all we do.

**Innovation:** We embrace innovative solutions and are always ready for change.

**Integrity:** We are dedicated to honest and ethical practices.

**Accountability:** We accept responsibility for our actions.

The strategic goals of the **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** are as follows:

- Plan, develop and administer airports, and any other vested property;
- Provide and maintain runways, taxiways, aprons, terminals and other services and facilities, including associated lighting fixtures, necessary or desirable for the efficient operation of airports;
- To provide and control air navigation services;
- Make adequate arrangements for the provision of rescue and fire fighting equipment and services;

- Formulate, test and implement measures to comply with international requirements for airport emergency planning;
- Make adequate arrangements for the provision of meteorological services to the Authority and users of airports;
- Administer prescribed or approved commercial levies, including rent, aeronautical fees, parking revenues and other charges;
- Ensure that airports conform to the standards and recommended practices of the International Civil Aviation Organization; and to
- Provide and maintain airport facilities to meet the requirements of the travelling public, service providers, border control authorities, employees and other airport users.

#### Governance

The **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY** is governed by the following Laws, which can be accessed at: (http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/laws

- Airports Authority Law (2005 Revision)
- Departure Tax and Environment Protection Fee Law (2003 Revision)
- Civil Aviation Law (1997 Revision) Airports (Security Tax) Regulations (2003 Revision)
- Aircraft (Landing and Parking Fees Regulations) Regulation (1995 Revision)
- The Air Navigation (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations, 1991
- Airport Regulations (2005 Revision)

Note: Copies of the above Laws are available at cost from the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly.

#### **Corporate management**

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

This category applies to internal support functions relating to the Authority's finance, personal and business administration.

#### Financial management

Copies of financial records can be obtained by requesting in writing from the Information Manager. *Please refer to Methods of Access in Section 3.* 

#### Administration

- Our Team:
- http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/about-us/our-team
- Vision Mission & Core Values:
- http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/about-us/overview-vision-mission-strategic-objectives
- Press Releases:
- http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/DisplayNewsSection/newsroom/1

- Employment Opportunities:
- http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/at-the-airports/employment-opportunities

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Information or documents may be accessed on the Authority's website at the links provided below in respect of the procedures and/or policies which govern our operations:

Airport Advertising Procedures:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/business-information/airport-advertising

Banner Placement Application Form:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/CIAA%20Banner%20Placement%20Form%202010(1).pdf

Concessions & Service Policy:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/business-information/contracts-concessions

Ground Transportation Overview:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/ground-transportation

Taxi Rates & Conditions:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/Taxi%20Rates%20and%20Conditions.pdf

Complaints Procedure:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/customer-service/complaints-policy

Requests for Proposals:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/business-information/requests-for-proposals

Overview of Airport Identification Requirements:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/airport-security-services

Access to the Restricted Zone & Controlled Zone:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/airport-security-services/granting-access-to-the-rz-and-cz

Identification & Security Access Control Cards Application & Fees http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/Access%20Pass%20Application%20(2009-10-15%20Revision).pdf

Overview of Aerodrome Vehicle Operators Permit:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/airport-security-services/aerodrome-operator-vehicle-permit

Aerodrome Vehicle Operators Manual:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/CIAA%20AVOM%20Manual%202009.pdf

Aerodrome Vehicle Operator Permit Application Form:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/CIAA%20Aerodrome%20Vehicle%20Operator%20Permit%20Application%20Form.pdf

Safety Management Systems:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/safety-services

Safety Management Systems Manual:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/CIAA%20SAFETY%20MANAGEMENT%20MANUAL.pdf

Cargo & Courier Services:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/at-the-airports/cargo-facilities

Lost & Found Services:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/lost-and-found

#### LISTS & REGISTERS

A list of the Airlines which currently serve the Cayman Islands may be obtained at the following link: http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/passenger-information/airlines

Contact information in relation to Border Control Authorities may be obtained at: http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/passenger-information/border-control-and-tourism-authorities

A list of companies who operates Concessions & Dining facilities at Owen Roberts International Airport may be accessed at: http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/passenger-information/shopping-and-dining

A list of companies who operate car rental agencies across from the airport terminals on Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac may be accessed at:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/ground-transportation/car-rental-agencies

A list of companies who provide pre-booked limousine service at the Owen Roberts International Airport on Grand Cayman may be accessed at: http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/ground-transportation/limousine-services

A list of companies who operate taxi services at both airports may be accessed at: http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/ground-transportation/taxi

A list of companies who provide pre-booked bus service may be accessed at: http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/ground-transportation/tour-operators

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Hard copies of the Minutes of the Meetings of the **CAYMAN ISLANDS AIRPORTS AUTHORITY**'s Board of Directors may be requested in writing from the Information Manager.

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## **OUR SERVICES**

This category provides links to documents which may be accessed on our website:

Airport Master Plan:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/GCM%20Master%20Plan%202007.pdf

Overview of Owen Roberts International Airport:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/overview-of-owen-roberts-international-airport

Overview of Gerrard-Smith International Airport:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/overview-of-gerrard-smith-international-airport

Overview of Air Navigation Services:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/air-navigation-services/overview

Air Traffic Services:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/air-navigation-services/air-traffic-services

Aeronautical Information Publication:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/AIP%20Document.pdf

Aerodrome Charges & Payment Policy:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/air-navigation-services/aircraft-fees

Aircraft Information & Licensing:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/air-navigation-services/aircraft-information-and-licensing

Air Navigation Services:

Cuban Over-Flight Form:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/Cuban%20Overflight.pdf

Flight Plan Form:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/Flight%20Plan(4).pdf

# Operating Slot Times Application:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/Operating%20Slot%20Times.pdf

# Pre Flight Information Request Form:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/userfiles/file/Pre%20Flight%20Information%20Request.pdf

## NOTAM:

http://www.caymanairports.ky/ContentDisplay.aspx/air-navigation-services/notam

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- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below:
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by

the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Port Authority of the Cayman Islands will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Port Authority of the Cayman Islands, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information.
   Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Port Authority of the Cayman Islands' (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

## 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

## Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at <a href="http://www.caymanport.com/FOI.php">http://www.caymanport.com/FOI.php</a>. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact Ms. Julette Wright, Information Manager Designate.

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at <u>FOI@Caymanport.com</u> to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call Mr. James C. Parsons at (345)914 3725 or Ms. Julette Wright at (345)914 3702 to request information.

## <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Mr. James C. Parsons, Jr. Information Manager Port Authority of the Cayman Islands P.O. Box 1358 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

## Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Mr. James C. Parsons at (345)914 3725 or Ms. Julette Wright at (345)914 3702.

The Port Authority of the Cayman Islands will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Port Authority of the Cayman Islands is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Port Authority of the Cayman Islands strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications which the Port Authority of the Cayman Islands offers for sale. This includes: Ship Schedules, etc. These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service. Or the Ship Schedules may be downloaded free of charge from <a href="http://www.caymanport.com/shipschedules.php">http://www.caymanport.com/shipschedules.php</a>. Here you able to enter specific search criteria. However, if you wish, you may visit our offices between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm and purchased the latest Ship Schedule for \$1.00. Also, all forms can be downloaded free of charge from <a href="http://www.caymanport.com/Forms.php">http://www.caymanport.com/Forms.php</a>.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

## Postage costs

The Port Authority of the Cayman Islands will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Port Authority of the Cayman Islands has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the publication scheme

Information held by the Port Authority of the Cayman Islands that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

For further details please visit <a href="http://www.caymanport.com/FOI.php#Request">http://www.caymanport.com/FOI.php#Request</a>.

## 6. Complaints

The Port Authority of the Cayman Islands aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please write or call Mr. James C. Parsons at (345)914 3725 or Ms. Julette Wright at (345)914 3702, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible. If you do not have access to the internet, you may collect a copy of our Complaints Policy and form from any of our office locations

between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm.

Our internal complaints process allows us to gain valuable information from the people it serves, and allows the organization to improve its reputation as one of the best public authorities. Information given by people complaining often contains useful criticism. Complaints made by the public can provide valuable decision and policy making information to management as well as highlight the challenges faced by employees.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from <a href="http://www.caymanport.com/cipa/UserFiles/File/Complaints%20Policy%20&%20Procedures.pdf">http://www.caymanport.com/cipa/UserFiles/File/Complaints%20Policy%20&%20Procedures.pdf</a>.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office,

Telephone: 345-747-5402 Fax: 345-949-2026

Email: <a href="mailto:appeals@ico.gov.ky">appeals@ico.gov.ky</a>
Email: <a href="mailto:info@infocomm.ky">info@infocomm.ky</a>
Website: <a href="mailto:www.infocomm.ky">www.infocomm.ky</a>
Physical Address: Elizabethan Square

2nd Floor, Building C,

George Town Grand Cayman, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1375

Grand Cayman KY1-1108

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** 

Hours: Monday to Friday, 9:30am - 4:00pm

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

# **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Port Authority of the Cayman Islands (PACI)

# **Ministry**

Ministry of Finance, Tourism & Development

## **Chief Officer**

Mr. Carson Ebanks, Ministry of Finance, Tourism & Development, 4th Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, Cayman Islands.

## Name and Title of Head

Mr. Paul W. Hurlston, Port Director

# **PACI Freedom of Information Managers**

	Information Manager	Designate
	Mr. James C. Parsons, Jr. Information Manager	Ms. Julette Wright Information Manager Designate
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Office:	(345)949 2055	
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Email:	iparsons@caymanport.com	iwright@caymanport.com
FOI email:	FOI@caymanport.com or foi.poa@gov.ky	
PACI Web site:	www.caymanport.com	
FOI Web site:	http://foi.gov.ky	

## **Organisation and functions**

The Port Authority of the Cayman Islands is a statutory body established on September 15, 1976 under the Port Authority Law. The Port Authority of the Cayman Islands activities involves the management of the maritime affairs of the Cayman Islands. Our Mission at the Port Authority of the Cayman Islands is to contribute to the economic development of the Cayman Islands by fostering and stimulating waterborne commerce and shipment of freight. We achieve this by effectively managing the maritime affairs of the Cayman Islands and by accommodating the volume of imports by sea through the provision of adequate docking and cargo handling/storage facilities.

Cayman Islands being a very popular tourist destination, we strive to assist in the promotion of tourism through the provision of appropriate arrival and departure facilities for cruise ship passengers.

P.O. Box 1358 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS Tel: (345)949-2055 Fax: (345)949-5820

Email: <a href="mailto:info@caymanport.com">info@caymanport.com</a> Website: <a href="mailto:www.caymanport.com">www.caymanport.com</a>

The scope of the Port Authority of the Cayman Islands activities is:

- 1. Providing and maintaining facilities for offloading of cargo imports into all three Islands.
- 2. To contribute to the growth of cruise tourism (and thereby the economy), by providing and maintaining facilities to accommodate the cruise ship passengers.
- 3. Providing and maintaining navigational markers in Cayman Islands waters.
- 4. Providing a patrolling presence, using two fully equipped motor vessels, in the immediate harbour area of the Cayman Islands during cruise ship visits.
- 5. Providing a safe and enjoyable environment for the Port Authority's staff and customers.
- 6. Carrying out the Port Authority Laws.

Location and hours	Matters handled	
Grand Cayman:		
Admin Office		
45A Harbour Drive	<ul><li>Human Resources</li></ul>	
George Town	<ul> <li>Accounts Payable/Receivable</li> </ul>	
•	<ul><li>Payroll</li></ul>	
8:30am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday	■ Complaints	
	<ul><li>Clearing of Cargo from Non-agent vessels</li></ul>	
	<ul><li>Issuance of Port access I.D.</li></ul>	
	<ul><li>Seaport Taxi Dispatch</li></ul>	
	<ul><li>Small craft/boat sea worthiness</li></ul>	
	inspection/licensing	
	<ul><li>Voyage clearance permits</li></ul>	
	Purchase of water and/or fuel for vessels	
Billing Office		
110 Portland Road	<ul> <li>Clearing of Cargo**</li> </ul>	
George Town	<ul> <li>Small craft/boat sea worthiness licensing</li> </ul>	

8:30am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday		
8:30am to 12pm Saturday		
Warehouse - Cargo Distribution Centre		
126A Portland Road	Pick-up of Cargo	
George Town	, ,	
Oars to 4:200 to Manday to Friday		
8am to 4:30pm Monday to Friday 8am to 12pm Saturday		
Dock		
45A Harbour Drive	Taxi Dispatch	
George Town		
Com to Com Manday to Cunday		
6pm to 6am Monday to Sunday (closed on public holidays from 12 midnight		
before the holiday until 12 AM after the holiday)		
Container Yard		
126A Portland Road	Pick-up of Containers	
George Town	Pick-up of Cargo Return of Empty of Containers	
8am to 4:30pm Monday to Friday	Return of Empty of Containers	
8am to 12pm Saturday and 6pm to 6am Monday		
to Sunday		
(closed on public holidays from 12 midnight		
before the holiday until 12 AM after the holiday)  Cruise Operations		
North Terminal, South Terminal, and Royal	Cruise Operations	
Watler Terminal	•	
Harbour Drive		
George Town		
Spotts Dock*		
Shamrock Road		
George Town		
6am to 6pm Monday to Sunday		
Cayman Brac:		
Admin Offices		
385 Creek Road	Clearing of Cargo**	
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8:30am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday 8:30am to 12pm Saturday Warehouse 385 Creek Road Pick up of Cargo Cayman Brac

8am to 4:30pm Monday to Friday 8:30am to 12pm Saturday

- \* During rough weather or as instructed by Port Director

  \*\* Please note that port charges for cargo can also be cleared via our online facility at http://www.caymanport.com

#### **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Port Authority of the Cayman Islands Board  Mr. Stefan Baraud, Chairman  Mr. Woodrow "Woody" Foster, Doputy	Meets weekly and not opened to the public.	Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by requesting a copy in writing from the Information Manager at the below address:
Mr. Woodrow "Woody" Foster, Deputy Chairman		Mr. James C. Parsons, Jr. Information Manager
Mr. Paul W. Hurlston, Secretary		Port Authority of the Cayman
Members: Mr. Rudy Garvin Mr. Carlon Powery/Mr. Dale Ramoon Mr. Curley Evans Mrs. Sonia McLaughlin Mr. Carson Ebanks Mr. James "Sonny Boy" Bodden Mr. Noel March Mr. Ashton Bodden		Islands P.O. Box 1358 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 Cayman Islands Direct Line: (345)914 3725 Office: (345)949 2055 Email: jparsons@caymanport.com FOI email: FOI@caymanport.com or foi.poa@gov.ky Website: www.caymanport.com Freedom of Information Website: http://foi.gov.ky

# Frequently asked questions

- Who owns the Port?
- What size ships can the Port Accommodate?
- What is the maximum lifting capacity of the Port cranes?
- What type of cargo can be handled?
- What is the time of the cargo ship operations?
- What time can cargo be collected?
- What cargo lines service the Cayman Islands?
- From which cities or countries does the majority of our cargo come from?
- What do I need to do in order to collect the cargo I have imported?
- What cruise lines call at the Cayman Islands?
- What is the time of cruise ship operations?
- Why do I need a username/password?
- How do I make an FOI request?

## Who owns the Port?

The Port is a statutory authority owned by the government of the Cayman Islands and run by an appointed Board of Directors.

# What size ships can the Port Accommodate?

The Port can accommodate vessels up to 120m or 400 ft in length with a water draft of no

more than 5m or 16.5 ft.

# What is the maximum lifting capacity of the Port cranes?

The maximum lifting capacity of the cranes is 40 tons.

# What type of cargo can be handled?

Containers, RoRo, Break-bulk and Bulk.

## What is the time of the cargo ship operations?

1800hrs to 0600 hrs (6pm to 6am)

## What time can cargo be collected?

Cargo can be collected from the Cargo Distribution Centre on Portland Road Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm and Saturdays 8am to 12 noon.

# What cargo lines service the Cayman Islands?

Thompson Shipping/Tropical Shipping Seaboard Marine West Indian Marine Seafreight Ltd

# From which cities or countries does the majority of our cargo come from?

Florida, USA and Jamaica.

## What do I need to do in order to collect the cargo I have imported?

- 1) Pay the freight charges to the shipping company that you shipped with. (If shipped with a broker, pay them directly for shipping, customs, and Port Authority charges.)
- 2) Pay Customs Duty
- 3) Pay Port Authority's fees
- 4) Collect the cargo.

# What cruise lines call at the Cayman Islands?

All major cruise lines call at the Cayman Islands. These are: Carnival, NCL, RCL, Costa, Princess, Celebrity, Cunard, Disney, Holland and MSC.

# What is the time of cruise ship operations?

Cruise operations occur seven (7) days per week from 0600 hrs to 1800 hrs (6am to 6pm), except Good Friday and Christmas Day. The Port is closed for these two days each year.

#### Why do I need a username/password?

You will need a username/password only if you are bringing in cargo or releasing cargo and wish to clear it online.

## How do I make an FOI request?

If you wish to make a request for information then you should contact the Information Manager listed above or in his absence, the Information Manager Designate. Requests may also be made through our Government assigned email address foi.poa@gov.ky or the Port Authority's own FOI email address foi@caymanport.com. Requests must be in writing (letter, email or facsimile) and must include your name and an address (either postal or e-mail). Please be as specific as possible about the information you would like, as this will help us to respond promptly. Where possible, please include a contact telephone number so we can call to discuss your request if necessary.

We will respond to your request immediately. The Law requires public authorities to respond within 30 calendar days, allowing an extension of an additional 30 calendar days if needed. We are obligated by law to always acknowledge receipt of all FOI requests made to the Information Manager and we are also obligated to let you know if there is a need to extend the deadline. For detailed advice on what sorts of information is exempt please see the FOI Unit website.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

The key strategic goals and objectives (from an ownership perspective) for The Port Authority of the Cayman Islands are:

- 1. Improve the image of the Cayman Islands and the experience of the cruise tourists, by upgrading the cruise ship arrival facilities in George Town and Spotts.
- 2. Improve efficiency of the cargo operations by repairing and enhancing the cargo facility in Industrial Park by purchasing additional property adjacent to CDC as well as expanding and relocating the present dock facility.
- 3. To fine tune the existing computer system, to meet management's needs for more useful management reports and to serve the customer needs more efficiently.
- 4. To improve human resource and risk management aspects, through developing and maintaining an operations safety/risk management manual.
- 5. To improve operations through the purchase of new equipment and the repairs to existing equipment.
- 6. Improve the efficiency of the administration by constructing additional offices unto the current billing office that will house all administrative and accounting staff in one central location.

#### Governance\*

- Port Authority Law (1999 Revision)
- Port Authority Regulations (2003 Revision)
- Complaints-handling procedure
- HR policies and procedures
- Public Accountants Law (2009 Revision) International Public Accounting Standards
- Information management policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Operating policies and procedures; Standards of service

- Shipping Laws and Regulations
- Labour Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- Public Service Management Law
- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- Electronic Transactions Law 2003 revision
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Workmen's Compensation Law (1996 Revision)
- Immigration Law (2006 Revision) and Regulations
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2005 Revision)
- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision) and Regulations
- Customs Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- Marine Conservation (Marine Parks) Regulations (2007 Revision)
- Environmental Health Laws and Regulations
- Other Local Laws and Regulations

## Corporate Management\*

- Corporate plans
- Annual reports
- Audit reports on overall operations or major projects
- Compliance assessments; inspections; reviews; performance evaluations
- Statistics\*\*
- Risk management assessments
- Hurricane Plan Plans for business continuity, hazard management and disaster recovery: this is found in our Employee Manual
- \* Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager
- \*\* Specialized reports can be created to collate specific information when necessary

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. This section includes: the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies. Principal accounting polices are adopted and are prepared in accordance with International Public Accounting Standards.

## Financial management\*

- Finance and Accounting
- Annual Budget
- Financial statements: Half-yearly / quarterly reports
- Sources of revenue; Investments; Capital programme
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures

<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

- Board members allowances and expenses
- Ministerial expenditure
- List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; Recently-awarded contracts
- Auction

#### Administration\*

- Insurance policies
- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Training and Safety
- Information Technology
- Human Resources
- Insurance Policies
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- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES\***

- Port Authority Law (1999 Revision)
- Port Authority Regulations (2003 Revision)
- La Complaints-handling procedure
- HR policies and procedures:
  - Policy No. 01: Absence Notification
  - Policy No. 02: Annual Vacation
  - Policy No. 03: Compensatory Time
  - Policy No. 04: Computer and Technology Resource Usage
  - Policy No. 05: Drug and Alcohol
  - Policy No. 06: Ground Vehicular Transportation Procedures
  - Policy No. 07: Guidelines for Handling Less than Container Loads (LCL Units)
  - Policy No. 08: Handling Applications for Persons Wishing to Solicit Business at the Port Authority's Facilities
  - Policy No. 09: Progressive Discipline Programme
  - Policy No. 10: Punch Clock
  - Policy No. 11: Purchase Orders
  - Policy No. 12: Sale of Fuel
  - Policy No. 13: Selection of Ships at Spotts
  - Policy No. 14: Telephone Calls
  - Policy No. 15: Theft
  - Policy No. 16: Time off Without Pay
  - Policy No. 17: Sexual Harassment
  - Policy No. 18: Watersports Operators Soliciting Business on the Port
  - Policy No. 19: Cellular Telephone Usage
  - Policy No. 20: Travel

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- Policy No. 21: Outside Employment
- Policy No. 22: Complaints Policy & Procedures
- Policy No. 23: Lost/Damaged Port Equipment
- Policy No. 24: Paternity Leave
- Policy No. 25: Salary Advances
- Policy No. 26: Unloading Flat rack Policy
- Information management policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Operating policies and procedures; Standards of service
- Labour Law (1996 Revision)
- Public Service Management Law
- Traffic Law (2003 Revision)
- Port Policies:
  - LCL Container Loading Regulations
  - Taxies Applying To Work At The Port
  - Water Sport Operators Applying To work At The Port
- Lack Coastal water Regulations:
  - Collision Rules
  - Control Of Vessels
  - General Rules of Navigation in Coastal area for all vessels
  - Rules for Snorkelers and Divers
  - Rules for Swimmers
- Marine Conservation Law
- Boating Safety:
  - File a Float Plan
  - Larry Safety Equipment
  - Make Sure Your Vessel is Seaworthy
  - Fuel Management
  - Radio Etiquette
- Current Fee Structure Port Charges

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS\***

- Board Meeting
- Minutes of meetings
- Evaluation procedures
- Assessment criteria

## LISTS & REGISTERS

- FOI disclosure log: can be a found at http://www.caymanport.com/FOI.php
- Asset Register\*
  - Register of interests
  - Schedule of Property
  - Schedule of Vehicles

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## **OUR SERVICES\***

As specified in our mission statement Port Authority of the Cayman Islands is responsible for seaport cargo and cruise operations in the Cayman Islands. Under each of these sections come more specific duties from cargo clearance to Taxi dispatcher service in and within the vicinity of the Seaports. We have two seaport locations in Grand Cayman; Harbour Drive and Spotts, respectively.

Port Authority does business with local, national and international visitors, customers, shipping companies and agents.

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## **General Forms\***

- Job Application Form
- Pre-Arrival Notification
- Declaration of Security Check for Local Vessels & Vehicles
- Declaration of Security
- Mooring Application Form
- Watersports Operators Application Form
- Taxi Application Form
- La Complaints Policy & Procedures
- La Complaints Report Form
- Guidelines for Obtaining Port IDs
- Boat License Application Form
- Credit Application and Agreement
- Freedom of Information FOI

<sup>\*</sup>Available on our website: http://www.caymanport.com/abouttheport.php

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# **Information Manager**

Mr. James C. Parsons, Jr. Information Manager Port Authority of the Cayman Islands P.O. Box 1358 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 Cayman Islands

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## Designate

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# **Cayman Islands Development Bank**

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

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## <u>Online</u>

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Rhonda Conolly or Paula Smith P.O. Box 2576 Grand Cayman KY1-1103 CAYMAN ISLANDS

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You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

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## **ABOUT US**

The Principal objective of the Cayman Islands Development Bank is to mobilise, promote, facilitate, and provide finance for the expansion and strengthening of the economic development of the Cayman Islands. This is done by providing financing for Tertiary Education, Housing, Agriculture and the Development of Small Businesses.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The Ministry of MFTD administers the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

The Ministry of FTD administers the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. This includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

## LAWS & REGULATIONS FOR CIVIL SERVICE

## **Financial Management**

Development Bank Law (2004 Revision)

## **Administration & Human Resource Management**

• Labour Law (1996 Revision)

# **Records Management**

- Chief Secretary's Code of Practice on Record Management
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- National Achieve and Public Records Law

## **Our Ministry**

Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development

The Premier & Minister for Financial Services, Tourism and Development Hon. W. McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP

## **Chief Officer/Financial Services**

Dr. Dax Basdeo

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Department of Commerce & Investment

George Town, Grand Cayman

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Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS

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Andrew Thomas Manager/Credit & Portfolio Management

Susan Watler Manager/Operations

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Location and hours	Matters handled
Cayman Islands Development Bank 36B Dr. Roy's Drive, George Town Office Hours: 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Public Hours: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Loans Processing & Payments

## **Boards**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Paul Byles – Chairman Noel Williams– Deputy Chairman Matthew Adam – Director Joseph Ebanks – Director Mark Parchment – Director Nicole Hydes – Director. Gloria Myles – Ex Officio Dir.	Monthly Closed Meetings (Only Quarterly Meetings Required)	Board Secretary

# Frequently asked questions

- Q. What type of loans do we offer?
- A. Education, Small Business, Mortgages & Agriculture
- Q. How long will it take to process loan?
- A. One Week
- Q. Terms & Conditions of Loan?
- A. Length, Rate & Security
- Q. How much do I qualify for?
- A. Dependant on Income & Commitments

# **List of Forms Used (External & Internal)**

- Loan Application forms
- Complaints Policy & Procedures
- Complaints Report Form
- Freedom of Information FOI

# **CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD**

Classes of Information	Restrictions & Accessibility to information		
Personal / Human	Access to information restricted to the relevant personnel.		
Resource records			
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# **Cayman Islands Monetary Authority**

## **Publication Scheme**

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- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
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#### **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority:

CAYMAN ISLANDS MONETARY AUTHORITY

## **Location and Hours:**

80e Elizabethan Square, Shedden Road, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

Open: Monday - Friday 8:30am - 5pm; Closed Public Holidays

#### Ministry:

Ministry of Finance, Tourism & Development

## **Chief Officer:**

Mr. Carson Ebanks, Ministry of Finance, Tourism & Development 4th Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, Cayman Islands.

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## Organisation and functions:

As the primary financial services regulator, the mission of the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority is to enhance the economic wealth and reputation of the Cayman Islands by fostering a thriving and growing, competitive, and internationally recognised financial services industry, through appropriate, responsive, cost-effective and efficient supervision and a stable currency.

### History

The Cayman Islands Monetary Authority began operations on 1 January 1997. It was established as a body corporate under the Monetary Authority Law, which was brought into force on that date.

The Authority was created from the merger of the Financial Services Supervision Department of the Cayman Islands Government and the Cayman Islands Currency Board. The former responsibilities, duties and activities of these two bodies now fall to CIMA. The Authority, however, was not established just to continue what was already in place under a different guise but rather to enhance Cayman's ability to maintain a well regulated financial services regime and monetary stability.

In March 2003 the Authority became operationally independent under the Monetary Authority Law (2003 Revision). Independence significantly enhanced CIMA's ability to meet international standards of supervision, accountability and transparency, and has more clearly defined its functions, duties, powers and obligations.

The key change resulting from the granting of operational independence was that powers previously vested in the Cabinet of the Cayman Islands Government to issue and revoke licenses and registration and to exercise enforcement powers now vest in CIMA, through its Board of Directors.

## Boards and Committees (as of this date the publication was submitted):

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Board of Directors:		
Mr. George McCarthy, OBE – Chairman	Quarterly	See section 3 regarding
Mr. Linburgh Martin – Deputy Chairman	or as	"Methods of Access"
Mr. Steve Butterworth – Director	needed.	
Mr. Harry Chisholm, MBE – Director		
Dr. Warren Coats – Director		
Ms. Sara Collins – Director		
Prof. William Gilmore – Director		
Mr. Raul Nicholson-Coe - Director		
Mrs. Cindy Scotland – Managing Director ("MD")		

Executive Committee:  Mr. George McCarthy, OBE - Chairman Mr. Howard Blacker - Deputy MD (Supervision) Mr. Patrick Bodden - Deputy MD (Operations) Mr. Harry Chisholm, MBE – Director Ms. Sara Collins - Director Mr. Linburgh Martin – Director Mr. Raul Nicholson-Coe - Director	Quarterly or as needed.	See section 3 regarding "Methods of Access"
Mrs. Cindy Scotland – MD Mr. Langston Sibblies, QC - General Counsel- Deputy MD  Management Committee:	Weekly	See section 3 regarding
Mrs. Cindy Scotland - MD Mr. Howard Blacker - Deputy MD-Supervision Mr. Patrick Bodden - Deputy MD-Operations Mr. Langston Sibblies, QC - General Counsel- Deputy MD Ms. Tara Abdul-Jabbar Mr. RJ Berry Mr. Rohan Bromfield Ms. Deborah Ebanks Mrs. Reina Ebanks Mrs. Yolanda McCoy Mrs. Gilda Moxam- Murray Mr. Gordon Rowell Mr. Mitchell Scott Mr. Charles Thompson		"Methods of Access"
Audit and Finance sub-committee:  Mr. Linburgh Martin – Chairman  Mr. Patrick Bodden – Deputy MD-Operations  Mr. George McCarthy, OBE – Chairman of the  Board  Mrs. Gilda Moxam- Murray – CFO  Mr. Raul Nicholson-Coe - Director  Mrs. Cindy Scotland – Managing Director	Quarterly or as needed.	See section 3 regarding "Methods of Access"
Policy, Strategy and Legislative sub- committee:  Mr. George McCarthy, OBE – Chairman Mr. Patrick Bodden – Deputy MD-Operations Mr. Howard Blacker – Deputy MD – Supervision Mr. Steve Butterworth - Director Mr. Harry Chisholm - Director Dr. Warren Coats - Director Ms. Sarah Collins - Director Prof. William Gilmore - Director Mrs. Cindy Scotland – MD Mr. Langston Sibblies, QC - General Counsel- Deputy MD	Quarterly or as needed.	See section 3 regarding "Methods of Access"

## Banking Services -

## LICENSING:

# What are the licensing requirements for a bank or trust company?

The legal requirements for obtaining a bank or trust licence in the Cayman Islands are governed by the Banks and Trust Companies Law (2009 Revision). Section 6 (1) of that law states: "The Authority may, if satisfied that the carrying on of such business will not be against the public interest, grant a licence to such person or company subject to such terms and conditions, if any, as the Authority may deem necessary."

- What criteria are used to determine whether an applicant for a licence is fit and proper?

  In determining whether a person is "fit and proper" the Authority will consider a person's:- (a) honesty, integrity and reputation; (b) competence and capability; and (c) financial soundness.
- What information must be supplied, upon application for a licence, on major shareholders, directors and officers for companies?

The annual accounts, for the 2 years immediately proceeding the year of application of each major shareholder which is a corporate body, together with similar accounts for the parent body where appropriate.

A minimum of 3 character references acceptable to the Authority, including one character reference for and one reference verifying the good financial standing of each director, manager and officer of the applicant and any major shareholder, and for each of the aforementioned a police or other certificate satisfactory to the Authority that they have not been convicted of a serious crime or any offence involving dishonesty.

## ONGOING REQUIREMENTS:

## What are the capital adequacy guidelines for licensees?

Under the Banks and Trust Companies Law (2009 Revision), all locally incorporated banks and trust companies are required to maintain a minimum net worth of CI\$400,000 or its equivalent in other currencies except for licensees that hold Restricted Banking or Restricted Trust Licenses. These are required to maintain a minimum net worth of CI\$20,000 or its equivalent in other currencies.

The Cayman Islands Monetary Authority adopts the guidelines set by the Basel Committee for Bank Regulation and Supervisory Practices for the calculation of the capital adequacy ratio (risk asset ratio). The Basel Committee recommends a minimum risk asset ratio of 8%. However the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority requires subsidiaries to maintain a minimum risk asset ratio of 12% and privately owned banks are required to maintain a minimum of 15%.

- What are the reporting requirements for each licensee and their filing deadline?
  - There are several reporting requirements and filing deadlines for each licensee. For a complete list, visit CIMA's website at www.cimoney.com.ky under "Regulated Sectors/Banking Services/Reporting Requirements and Schedules".
- What are the requirements for the appointment and removal of directors and managers?

The prior approval of the Authority is required before the appointment of directors and managers. A request letter should be made to the Authority and should be accompanied by a completed personal questionnaire (obtainable from CIMA), three references (2 character and one financial) and a Police Clearance Certificate for the individual(s) seeking to be appointed.

A letter notifying the Authority of the removal and/ or resignation of directors and managers is also required.

What is the annual licence fee for banks and trust companies and when is it payable?

All licensees are required to pay an annual fee on or before 15 January each year as prescribed by Section 6(8) of The Banks and Trust Companies Law (2009 Revision). This amount should not be confused with the payment required under the Companies Law which is payable to the Registrar of Companies by 30 March each year without penalties. Payments received by the Authority after 15 January are subject to a surcharge not exceeding one-twelfth of the fee for every month or part of the month that the fee is not paid. Payment is accepted in either Cayman Islands or United States dollars (exchange rate CI/US .82). Cheques are to be made payable to the Cayman Islands Government.

## What is the requirement for the chance in shareholders and or beneficial interest?

The same requirements applicable to the appointment of directors and managers apply to the appointment/ change in shareholders/ beneficial interest. A letter outlining the name(s) of the new shareholder(s) along with completed personal questionnaire(s), three references (2 character and one financial) and a Police Clearance Certificate seeking to be appointed should be submitted.

#### **GENERAL**:

# Where can I obtain copies of the Banks and Trust Companies Law?

Copies of all laws including the Banks and Trust Companies Law are available for a nominal fee and may be obtained by writing the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly at 345-949-9236/4237/4238 or by fax at 345-949-9514.

## Why is it preferable to register in the Cayman Islands?

More than 40 of the world's top 50 banks have chosen to establish operations in the Cayman Islands. The reasons influencing their decision include the jurisdiction's strong reputation for fair and balanced regulation, political and economic stability, professionalism, tax neutrality, asset protection, a well-developed infrastructure and Cayman's geographical location.

Both institutions and clients alike are assured that establishing a bank or placing assets in Cayman will afford them the best opportunity to maximise the potential of their assets. This assurance is as a result of the high ethical standards in government and among financial services providers, a sound regulatory regime based on international standards, and an internationally recognised legal system based on English common law.

## Money Services Business -

## **GENERAL**:

## What is a Money Service Business?

Under the Money Services Law (2010 Revision), the term money services business is defined as:-The business of providing (as a principal business) any or all of the following services money transmission, cheque cashing, currency exchange, the issuance or, sale or redemption of money orders or travelers checks; Such other services as the Governor in Council may specify by notice published in the Gazette; or the business of operating as an agent or franchise holder of a business mentioned under (1).

## How many Money Services Businesses are in the Cayman Islands?

There are currently six (6) licensed money services businesses operating in the Cayman Islands.

## LICENSING:

# What are the licensing requirements for a Money Service Business?

The legal requirements for obtaining a money services business licence are detailed in the Money Services Businesses Regulations.

#### How many directors are required?

Under Section 17 of the Money Services Law (2010 Revision), every licensee shall at no time have less than two directors which require the Authority' approval.

# What information must be supplied, upon application for a licence, on major shareholders, directors and officers for companies?

The annual accounts, for the 2 years immediately preceding the year of application of each major shareholder that is a corporate body, together with similar accounts for the parent body where appropriate.

A minimum of 3 references acceptable to the Authority, including one character reference for and one reference verifying the good financial standing of each director, manager and officer of the applicant and any major shareholder, and for each of the aforementioned a police or other certificate satisfactory to the Authority that they have not been convicted of a serious crime or any offence involving dishonesty.

## What criteria are used to determine whether an applicant for a licence is fit and proper?

In determining whether a person is "fit and proper" the Authority will consider a person's honesty, integrity and reputation; competence and capability; and financial soundness.

## What is the timeframe for processing of applications?

With a complete application, the process takes approximately 4 - 6 weeks for the licence to be issued or otherwise.

## **ONGOING REQUIREMENTS:**

What is the annual licence fee for Money Service Business and when is it payable?

All licensees are required to pay an annual fee on or before 15 January each year.

## Are annual audits required by Money Services Businesses?

Under the Money Services Law (2010 Revision), Section 10: Every Licensee shall have the accounts of its money services business audited annually or at such other times as the Authority may require by an auditor, who shall be a chartered accountant, a certified public accountant, or some other professionally qualified accountant, approved by the Authority.

The audited accounts shall be forwarded to the Authority within three months of the end of the financial year of the licensee's money services business, unless prior written approval for an extension has been granted by the Authority.

## What are the filing requirements for returns?

Licensees are required to submit quarterly returns to the Authority as well as annual audited financial statements within 3 months of the business' financial year-end.

## What are the requirements for the appointment and removal of directors and managers?

The prior approval of the Authority is required before the appointment of directors and managers. A request letter should be made to the Authority and should be accompanied by a completed personal questionnaire (obtainable from CIMA), three references (at least one character and one financial) and a Police Clearance Certificate or its equivalent, for the individual(s) seeking to be appointed.

A letter notifying the Authority of the removal and/ or resignation of directors and managers is also required.

#### • What is the requirement for the change in shareholders/beneficial interest?

The same requirements applicable to the appointment of directors and managers apply to the appointment/ change in shareholders/ beneficial interest. A letter outlining the name(s) of the new shareholder(s) along with completed personal questionnaire(s), three references (at least one character and one financial) and a Police Clearance Certificate or its equivalent, for the individual(s) seeking to be appointed should be submitted.

## Fiduciary Services -

## What criteria are used to determine whether an applicant for a licence is fit and proper?

In determining whether a person is "fit and proper" the Authority will consider a person's honesty, integrity and reputation; competence and capability; and financial soundness.

# What documentation is required to add a Director?

The personal questionnaire completed, a Police Clearance Certificate or Notarised Affidavit of no convictions, one Financial Reference, two Character References and CI\$200 - sundry fee

What documentation is required to be submitted to the CIMA in order for a Trust Company to change its name?

Reason(s) for the change of name, submission of original licence, a certified copy of the shareholder's resolution to change the name of the company, a certified copy of the Certificate of Incorporation on Change of Name form obtained from the Registrar of Companies.

## What documentation must be submitted to change an auditor of a Trust Company?

A Letter stating the reason(s) for the change in Auditor and a letter from proposed New Auditor confirming their appointment & willingness to act.

# <u>Insurance</u> –

## What legislation permits captives?

The Insurance Law is the legislation which permits captive insurance companies in the Cayman Islands.

## What is the regulatory authority for captives in the Cayman Islands?

The regulatory authority for the Islands' financial industry, captives included, is the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority.

## What are CIMA's reporting requirements?

CIMA requires annual audited financial statements from captives, with an Annual Statement of Operations.

## Are annual audits required for captives?

CIMA does require annual audits from captives.

# What is the tax structure in Cayman?

No income, capital gains or corporation taxes are payable in the Cayman Islands.

# What is the number of captives incorporated in Cayman by ownership type?

For current statistics on the financial industry please see our website www.cimoney.com.ky under "Regulated Sectors".

## What are the capital requirements of classes?

The capital requirement for short-term general business is US\$120,000; for long-term business (usually life business), the figure is US\$240,000; for both short- and long-term business, the capital requirement is US\$360,000.

## Is there provision for special categories of captives or for Rent-A-Captives?

There is no provision for special categories of captives but the Segregated Portfolio Companies Legislation provides a framework for Rent-A-Captives.

## Is there provision for migration?

Provision is made for migration under the Companies Law.

# Is there a minimum premium to surplus ration?

The minimum premium to surplus ratio, which is determined by the Head of Insurance, greatly depends on the nature of the risk being written, the reinsurance program, etc.

# What documentation/information must be supplied to CIMA for major shareholders, directors and officers for companies?

# Shareholders

CIMA requires that due diligence <u>on the ultimate shareholder of the licensee</u> be conducted, expect where the shares are held by a company traded on a recognized exchange.

Shareholders of the licensee who will own 10% or more at the time of licensing and more than 5% after licensing are required to submit full due diligence documentation/ information for approval.

Where the shares of the licensee are held by a public company, CIMA requires the following information: Two (2) years of audited financial statements.

Where the shares of the licensee are privately owned, CIMA requires the following information regarding the shareholder(s). Or, where a trust structure is involved, due diligence regarding the beneficiaries and Trustee of the trust must be carried out and the following information is required; personal questionnaire, financial reference from a cognized financial institution in which the application has been a customer for at least 2 years and has maintained his/her accounts in a satisfactory manner, two independent character references, affidavit or police clearance certificate, and statement of net worth (this is not required of the Trustee).

## Directors/ Officers

Documentation/ information required at the time licensing and after licensing: personal questionnaire, financial reference from a cognized financial institution in which the application has been a customer for at least 2 years and has maintained his/her accounts in a satisfactory manner, two independent character references, affidavit or police clearance certificate, and prescribed fee for Directors only, there is no fee for officer appointments.

## Investments Funds -

## **MUTUAL FUNDS:**

## What is a mutual fund?

As defined by the Mutual Funds Law, a mutual fund is "any company, trust or partnership either incorporated or established in the Cayman Islands, or if outside the Cayman Islands, managed from the Cayman Islands, which issues equity interests redeemable at the option of the investor, the purpose of which is the pooling of investors' funds with the aim of spreading investment risk and enabling investors to receive profits or gains from investments."

There are three types of mutual funds that are regulated under the Mutual Funds Law: a Registered Fund under Section 4(3); an Administered Fund under Section 4(1) (b); and a Licensed Fund under Section 4(1) (a).

## What are the main differences between the three types of funds?

An Administered Fund must have a licensed mutual fund administrator providing its principal office in the Cayman Islands.

A Registered Fund must have either a minimum aggregate equity interest of CI\$80,000 (US\$100,000) purchasable by a prospective investor or the equity interests must be listed on a stock exchange approved by the Authority. Further information on approved stock exchanges is available in Appendix G12 of CIMA's Regulatory Handbook Appendices.

A Licensed Fund must have either a registered office in the Islands or, if a unit trust, a trust company licensed under the Banks and Trust Companies Law as its trustee.

## What documentation is required for the registration of a fund?

The documentation required for the registration/licensing of a mutual fund is outlined on the applicable MF Form located under Investment Fund Forms - Application Forms. For a Registered Fund under Section 4(3), use the MF1 Form; for an Administered Fund under Section 4(1) (b), use the MF2 Form, and for a Licensed Fund under Section 4(1) (a), use the MF3 Form.

## How long does it take to register a mutual fund?

It takes approximately five business days to register a mutual fund and four to six weeks to license a fund once all documentation has been received.

# What documents are required for funds being registered/licensed by way of continuation from another jurisdiction?

Funds registered/licensed by way of continuation will need to file the prescribed details as well as audited accounts for the past two years, if available.

For those funds registering pursuant to Section 4(3) of the Mutual Funds Law, the Authority also requires an affidavit from the operators of the fund attesting that all current investors meet the US\$50,000 minimum investment criterion as required pursuant to Section 4(3) of the Mutual Funds Law.

It should also be noted that the regulators from the jurisdiction from which the fund is being transferred are contacted prior to fund being registered/licensed, to confirm that the fund was in good standing during the

period that it was subject to regulation; and there were no adverse issues regarding the fund or its operators that the Authority should be made aware of.

# What documents are required for an existing regulated fund wishing to re-register/licence pursuant to a different section of the Mutual Funds Law?

The Authority requires the following for an existing regulated fund wishing to re-register/licence pursuant to a different section of the Mutual Funds Law; return of the original Certificate/Licence, completed MF Form; and updated Offering Document (if applicable).

In addition to the above, funds re-registering pursuant to Section 4(3) of the Mutual Funds Law will also require an affidavit from the operators of the fund attesting that all current investors meet the US\$50,000 minimum investment criterion as required pursuant to Section 4(3) of the Mutual Funds Law.

## What documentation is required in order for a fund to change its name?

In order for a fund to change its name, the following documents are required the original Certificate of Registration/Licence for cancellation and a certified copy of the Certificate of Incorporation on Change of Name obtained from the Registrar of Companies.

## What documentation must be submitted to add a new class of share or a sub-fund?

A copy of the revised/new offering document is required to add a new class of share or a sub-fund.

## Where can copies of the relevant forms be obtained?

Forms can be obtained on CIMA's website at www.cimoney.com.ky under "Regulated Sectors/Investment Funds/Forms".

## What is a closed-ended fund?

Although the definition of a closed-ended fund is subjective, generally speaking, it is a fund that has no regular redemption date, redemptions in limited circumstances or extensive lock-up periods. As the Mutual Funds Law does not currently define closed-ended funds, the Investments & Securities Division encourages industry discussion on this matter where the operator is unsure of the need to register/licence the fund.

## Does the Monetary Authority regulate closed-ended funds?

The Authority does not regulate close-ended funds. However, in order to conduct business in the Cayman Islands, such a fund must be incorporated/registered with the Registrar of Companies either as a locally incorporated entity or a foreign entity. In addition, the Registered Office must be provided by a regulated service provider and therefore the Authority has indirect supervision.

## What documentation is required for the termination of a fund?

The Authority has issued Statements of Guidance on the procedures and documentation required for the cancellation of mutual fund licences and certificates of registration.

# **MUTUAL FUNDS ADMINISTRATORS:**

## What does mutual fund administration mean?

Mutual fund administration means the management, including control of all, or substantially all, the assets of a mutual fund, or the administration of a mutual fund, or the provision of the principal office of the mutual fund in the Cayman Islands, or the provision of the operator to a fund.

## • What documentation is required for a mutual fund administrator's licence?

The information and particulars to be contained in an application for a Mutual Fund Administrator's licence are contained in the Mutual Fund Administrators Licence (Applications) Regulations 2001.

## Where can a list of licensed mutual fund administrators be obtained?

A list of mutual fund administrators licensed by the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority may be viewed on the "Investment Funds/Statistics and Regulated Entities" page of our website. The list is updated quarterly.

## How long does it take to obtain a Mutual Fund Administrator's licence?

It takes approximately 4-6 weeks to obtain a Mutual Fund Administrator's Licence.

# Is a mutual fund administrator's licence required to provide services to a closed-ended fund?

A mutual fund administrator's licence is not required. However, a Company Manager's Licence under the Companies Management Law is required; hence the Authority has indirect supervision of such funds.

• Where a licensed mutual fund administrator is a company, are there any restrictions on the transfer of shares?

Yes. Where a licensed mutual fund administrator is a company, the company shall not issue shares, and a person owning or having an interest in shares in the company shall not transfer, dispose of or deal with those shares or interest, unless CIMA has given permission.

Only those companies that are traded on a recognised stock exchange can be exempt from the requirement to obtain CIMA's permission. Such companies must, however, notify the Monetary Authority of the changes in control, and the transfer of more than 10% of shares.

## What is an administrator's letter of consent?

An administrator's letter of consent is one that indicates acceptance of appointment as administrator, states the name of the fund and a summary of services to be provided.

## **AUDITORS:**

## Who can perform the audit of regulated mutual funds?

Under the Mutual Funds Law, a regulated mutual fund must have its accounts audited annually by an approved auditor. The Authority has implemented a policy requiring local auditor sign-off of annual audit reports of mutual funds and mutual fund administrators incorporated or established locally.

- Where can a list of approved auditors for mutual funds in the Cayman Islands be obtained? A list can be obtained on CIMA's website.
- How does one become an approved auditor of mutual funds in the Cayman Islands?

For information on how to become an approved auditor visit CIMA's website under "Regulated Sectors/Investment Funds/Licensing Authorisation Requirements".

#### What is an auditor's letter of consent?

An auditor's letter of consent indicates acceptance of appointment as auditor, the name of the fund, date of financial statements and what accounting principles will be used. It also contains a statement confirming that the auditor(s) is/are aware of and agrees to fulfill their obligations pursuant to section 34 of the Mutual Funds Law.

#### **GENERAL**:

# What is a registered office?

A registered office is the office of the fund and performs the usual corporate, secretarial and related functions for the fund, including paying fees and filing annual accounts.

## What is a principal office?

A principal office is the office of the fund maintained by a licensed Mutual Fund Administrator. It performs the administrative functions of the fund, including the calculation of the net asset value (NAV) and the subscription/redemption of shares. Other responsibilities include maintaining the fund's corporate and financial records, communicating with investors as well as acting as a liaison between the fund and the Authority.

# What documentation must be submitted to change/add: (1) an Auditor; (2) an Administrator; or (3) an Operator of a registered or administered fund?

Documentation required when changing or adding:

1. **An Auditor**: a letter from the resigning auditors stating the reason for the change along with a letter of consent from the newly appointed auditors.

- 2. An Administrator: a letter of consent from the newly appointed administrator. In the case of an administered fund, where the licensed mutual fund administrator is providing the fund's principal office, a new MF2A Form must be submitted as well as the return of the original Certificate of Registration. A new certificate will be issued reflecting the change in principal office.
- 3. **An Operator** of a registered or administered fund: a letter from the registered/principal office advising of the appointment along with an updated Offering Document (or Supplement).

## Who is considered an authorised agent?

An authorised agent is one who provides a timely and satisfactory liaison between the CIMA and the principals of the fund, files statistical and prudential supervisory returns and annual audited financial statements within the designated time frame, knows of major issues and events regarding the fund represented and reports such to CIMA, responds to CIMA's correspondence and requests on a timely basis, responds to CIMA, as needed, to answer queries regarding the fund.

- What criteria are used to determine whether an applicant for a licence is 'fit and proper'? In determining whether a person is "fit and proper" the Authority will consider a person's honesty, integrity and reputation; competence and capability; and financial soundness.
- What information must be supplied, upon application for a licence, on a major shareholders, directors and officers for companies?

Refer to the Mutual Fund Administrators Licence (Applications) Regulations.

What documentation is required to add a director to a Mutual Fund Administrator or a licensed Mutual Fund?

Documentation required to add a director; a police clearance certificate / affidavit of no convictions, one financial reference and two personal references (refer to the Authority's guidance on minimum standards for reference letters, found in Appendix E3 (part 3.1.2) of the Regulatory Handbook Appendices on CIMA's website), a personal questionnaire, completed, application fee and if the Applicant is an existing Director on a Licensee, references need not be submitted.

Can a fund extend its audit period?

On request, the Authority may allow a fund to extend its audit period to a maximum of eighteen (18) months.

## <u>Securities</u> –

What does the Securities Investment Business law consider to be securities?

Schedule 1 of the Securities Investment Business Law (2010 Revision) defines "securities".

What are the regulated activities?

Schedule 2 of the Securities Investment Business Law (2010 Revision) defines the regulated activities.

What is the geographical scope of the Securities Investment Business Law?

Section 4(1) of the Securities Investment Business Law (2010 Revision) identifies two classes of person as having sufficient nexus with the Cayman Islands to bring them within the geographical scope of the Securities Investment Business Law (2010 Revision), (subject to the Schedule 4 exclusions) any Cayman Islands company or partnership, wherever it may be conducting securities investment business as defined by the Law; or any person who has an established place of business in the Cayman Islands through which he conducts securities investment business as defined by the Law.

There is also the issue of persons who are not Cayman Islands entities of either class above but who might seek to conduct securities investment business in the Cayman Islands from an established place of business outside of the Islands. An example of this might be foreign persons soliciting business from persons in the Cayman Islands via email or the internet in a deliberately targeted manner. Another example would be intermittent 'investment seminars' mounted in the Cayman Islands by foreign persons, for the purpose of selling securities products or services. It is common for securities regulatory regimes to prohibit such activity on the grounds of domestic investor protection and it may well be necessary to introduce a provision to prohibit foreign persons with no place of business in the Cayman Islands from

conducting securities investment business in the Islands unless they are doing so in conjunction with a person licensed or registered under the Securities Investment Business Law (2010 Revision); or the business approach came from the Cayman Islands person and was not in any way solicited by the foreign person.

## What are excluded activities and excluded persons?

Schedule 3 of the Securities Investment Business Law (2010 Revision) specifies the activities considered to be outside the scope of the Law, even though they would nominally constitute activities captured by schedule 2. Generally speaking, the excluded activities cover activities internal to a company, trust or partnership (e.g. risk management activity; certain dealing in its own securities; treasury functions); incidental activities (i.e. activity that is a 'by-product' of other core activity that is not securities investment business and for which the remuneration is not severable from that for the core activity, e.g. legal or accounting advice); and activities that are not intended to induce the general public into conducting securities investment business (e.g. general advice on investment matters published in any communications media). The excluded activity related to the disposal of goods or supply of services covers situations where a supplier undertakes some form of securities investment business activity for the purpose of facilitating the disposal or supply or hedging exposure to, e.g., the price of the raw materials that will be used in the manufacture of capital goods for a customer. There is also exclusion for the making of arrangements for the sole purpose of providing financing for another person's dealing in securities. Schedule 4 of the Securities Investment Business Law (2010 Revision) specifies persons who may conduct securities investment business without a licence. There are six categories of such person. Section 5(4) of the Securities Investment Business Law (2010 Revision) requires persons to whom paragraphs 1, 4 and 5 of Schedule 4 apply, to register with the Authority and file an Annual Declaration Form approved by the Authority and pay an annual fee of \$1,000. This is for basic identification purposes and for the purposes of s.5 (5).

## What are the Fit and Proper requirements of applicants?

The Authority must be satisfied that an applicant meets high standard in all material aspects, is financially sound and is competent as well as capable of undertaking the activities that are being licensed. When considering fitness and propriety, the Authority will consider all factors that appear to be relevant for the application in question. These include, but are not limited to, honesty, integrity and reputation; competence and capability; and financial soundness. Before reaching a final decision, the Authority will also consider if there are any reputational risks to Cayman in granting the licence.

#### Who is a sophisticated person?

Section 2 of the Securities Investment Business Law (2010 Revision) defines "sophisticated person" as a person regulated by the Authority; regulated by a recognized overseas regulatory authority; any of whose securities are listed on a recognized securities exchange; or who – by virtue of knowledge and experience in financial and business matters is reasonably to be regarded as capable of evaluating the merits of a proposed transaction and participates in a transaction with a value or in monetary amounts of at least \$80,000 in the case of each single transaction

## Who is a high net worth person?

Section 2 of the Securities Investment Business Law defines "high net worth person" as an individual whose net worth is at least \$800,000 or any person that has total assets of not less than \$4,000,000.

## How do I register with CIMA under the Excluded Persons regime?

The information can be obtained on CIMA's website at www.cimoney.com.ky under "Regulated Sectors/Securities/Licensing and Authorisation Requirements".

## Cooperative Societies -

## What is a Credit Union?

A Credit Union is a cooperative society registered under the Cooperative Societies Law (2001 Revision) and as its objects the promotion of thrift among the members of the society by the accumulation of their savings; the creation of sources of credit for the benefit of the members of the society at a fair and reasonable rate of interest; the use and control of the members' savings for their mutual benefit; and the

training and education of the members in the wise use of money and in the management of their financial affairs.

# What are the licensing requirements for Credit Unions?

Presently, Credit Unions are not required to be licensed by CIMA, however they have to register with the General Registry and are subject to CIMA's regulatory oversight in accordance with section 40 of the Cooperative Societies Law (2001 Revision). Consequently, they are required to submit the following documentation in order for the Authority to issue a non-objection letter to the General Registry when applying for registration; a business Plan (containing the proposed staffing, systems, controls, and risk management); copies of Policies and Procedures to ensure compliance with the relevant laws and regulations a copy of the member Rules; Personal Questionnaire form, one financial reference, two character references and a Police Clearance Certificate for each of the proposed Directors, Managers, and Senior Officers.

# Is there an annual fee payable to the Authority?

Credit Unions are not required to pay an annual licence fee as they are currently not required to be licensed by the Authority.

# Are annual audits required by Credit Unions?

Yes. Section 39(1) of the Cooperative Societies Law (2001 Revision) states:

"Every credit union shall have its accounts audited annually, or at such other times as the Authority may require, by an auditor, who shall be a chartered accountant, a certified public accountant, or some other professionally qualified accountant, approved by the Authority."

# How many Credit Unions are currently registered in the Cayman Islands?

There are currently two Credit Unions operating in the Cayman Islands, namely, the Cayman Islands Civil Service Association Cooperative Credit Union Ltd. and the Telecommunications Employees Cooperative Credit Union Ltd.

# **Building Societies -**

#### What is a Building Society?

A building society is a financial institution, owned by its members, that offers banking and other financial services, especially mortgage lending.

# Incorporation of Building Societies

Under the Building Societies Law (2010 Revision) Section 3 (1):

"Any number of persons who desire to establish a building society, may on having its rules certified as by this Law provided, obtain from the Registrar a certificate of incorporation."

# What are the licensing requirements and annual licence fee for a Building Society?

There are no legal requirements for obtaining a building society licence. However, there is an annual fee of CI\$100 payable to the Registrar upon each anniversary of its incorporation.

# Are annual audits required by Building Societies Businesses?

Yes. Section 21 of the Building Societies Law (2010 Revision) states:

"The secretary or manager of a society shall, at least once in every year prepare an account of all receipts and expenditure of the society since the preceding statement, and a general statement of its funds and effects, liabilities and assets."

# How many Building Societies are in the Cayman Islands?

There is currently only one building society operating in the Cayman Islands.

# Corporate Services -

# What criteria are used to determine whether an applicant for licence is fit and proper?

In determining whether a person is "fit and proper" the Authority will consider a person's honesty, integrity and reputation; competence and capability; and financial soundness.

# What documentation is required to add a Director?

Documentation required is the completed personal questionnaire, financial reference, two independent character references, notarised affidavit or police clearance certificate, and a \$200 sundry fee.

# What documentation is required to be submitted to the CIMA in order for a Company Manager to change its name?

Documentation required is a letter stating the reason(s) for the change of name, submission of original licence, a certified copy of the Shareholder's resolution to change the name of the Company, a certified copy of the Certificate of Incorporation on Change of Name obtained from the Registrar of Companies.

# What documentation must be submitted to change an auditor of a Company Manager?

A letter stating the reason(s) for the change in auditor, a letter from proposed new auditor confirming their appointment & willingness to act.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

Constant assessment of business processes to maximize effectiveness, streamline processes and reduce timelines, to enhance and modernize regulation and supervision of the financial industry.

Among the Monetary Authority's obligations in carrying out its functions are the requirements to:

- act in the best economic interests of the Cayman Islands;
- promote and maintain a sound financial system in the Cayman Islands;
- use its resources in the most efficient and economic way;
- have regard to generally accepted principles of good corporate governance;
- endeavor to promote and enhance market confidence, consumer protection and the reputation of the Cayman Islands as a financial centre;
- reduce the possibility for the use of financial services business for money laundering or other crime;
- recognise the international character of financial services/markets and the need to be competitive for consumers and suppliers while complying with appropriate and relevant international standards;
- recognise the principle that a burden or restriction that is imposed should be proportionate to its expected benefits;
- recognise the desirability of facilitating innovation in financial services business; and
- be transparent and fair.

#### Governance

The framework for the Monetary Authority's regulation and supervision of financial services and for its international cooperation is made up of several elements which includes the applicable laws and regulations passed by the Government of the Cayman Islands. The copies of the various laws and regulations provided on CIMA's website are for informational purposes only. Official copies can be obtained from the Legislative Department at a minimal cost. On our website you will find the following laws and regulations:

- Banks and Trust Companies Law (2009 Revision)
- Banks and Trust Companies (Licence Applications and Fees) Regulations (2007 Revision)
- Banks and Trust Companies (Licence Applications and Fees) (Amendment) Regulations, 2009
- Building Societies Law (2010 Revision)
- Companies Law (2010 Revision)
- Companies (Amendment) Law, 2010

- Companies Management Law (2003 Revision)
- Companies Management Regulations (2003 Revision)
- Cooperative Societies Law (2001 Revision)
- Cooperative Societies Regulations (1997 Revision)
- Development Bank Law (2004 Revision)
- Freedom of Information Law (2007 Revision)
- Insurance Law (2008 Revision)
- Insurance Law (2010 Revision) (Not in force as yet)
- Insurance (Forms) Regulations (2003 Revision)
- Insurance (Variation of Fees) Regulations, 2009
- Monetary Authority Law (2010 Revision)
- Monetary Authority (Amendment) Law, 2010 Revision
- Money Laundering Regulations (2010 Revision)
- Money Services Law (2010 Revision)
- Money Services Businesses Regulations, 2001
- Money Services Businesses (Amendment) Regulations, 2009
- Mutual Funds Law (2009 Revision)
- Mutual Fund Administrators Licence (Applications) Regulations 2001
- Mutual Funds (Annual Returns) Regulations, 2006
- Mutual Funds (Fees) Regulations, 2007
- Mutual Funds (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations, 2009
- Private Trust Companies Regulations, 2008
- Private Trust Companies (Amendment) Regulations, 2009
- Proceeds of Crime Law, 2008
- Proceeds of Crime (Disclosure) Order, 2010
- Public Management and Finance Law (2010 Revision)
- Retail Mutual Funds (Japan) Regulations (2007 Revision)
- Securities Investment Business Law (2010 Revision)
- Securities Investment Business (Conduct of Business) Regulations 2003
- Securities Investment Business (Financial Requirements and Standards) Regulations, 2003
- Securities Investment Business (Licence Applications and Fees) Regulations, 2003
- Terrorism Law (2009 Revision)

#### Corporate management

See the "Annual Report – Year ended 30 June 2009" on CIMA's website at www.cimoney.com.ky under "About CIMA/Publications/Annual Reports" relating to the administration of the authority's monetary resources – including projected and actual income and expenditure; tendering; procurement; contracts, etc.

#### Statistical data

A list of the different reports for each of the regulated sectors that are available is provided below. Statistical data on each regulated sector and a listing of current entities regulated by CIMA can be found on the website at www.cimoney.com.ky under "Regulated Sectors".

- Banking Services
  - ✓ Number of Licensees & Other Entities Supervised by the Banking Supervision Division
  - √ Number of Banks by Category
  - √ Number of Banks by Region

- ✓ List of all Category "A" Banks licensed with the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (updated quarterly)
- ✓ List of all Category "B" Banks licensed with the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (updated quarterly)

# Cooperative and Building Societies

- ✓ Number of Cooperative Societies
- ✓ Number of Building Societies

#### Corporate Services

- ✓ Number of Licences/Registrations under the Fiduciary Services Division
- ✓ List of Company Managers & Corporate Service Providers licensed with the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (updated quarterly)

#### Insurance

- ✓ Full List of all Insurance Entities Registered with the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (updated quarterly)
- ✓ Number of Licensees Under the Insurance Division (updated annually and quarterly)
- ✓ Domestic Insurance Companies Contact Details (updated periodically)
- ✓ Insurance Brokers Contact Details (updated periodically)
- ✓ Domestic Insurance Companies Audited Statistics By Primary Class of Business (updated annually)
- ✓ Domestic Insurance Companies Unaudited Statistics By Primary Class of Business (updated quarterly)
- ✓ Domestic Insurance Companies Lines of Business Trends 1994-to 2009 (updated annually)
- ✓ Captive Insurance Managers Listing (updated periodically)
- ✓ Captive Insurance Company Statistics Licensing Activity (updated annually)
- ✓ Captive Insurance Company Statistics by Insurance Manager (updated quarterly)
- ✓ Captive Insurance Company Statistics by Licence Status (updated quarterly)
- ✓ Captive Insurance Company Statistics by Risk Location (updated quarterly)
- ✓ Captive Insurance Company Statistics by Category (updated quarterly)
- ✓ Captive Insurance Company Statistics by Primary Class of Business (updated quarterly)

#### Investment Services

- ✓ Number of Mutual Funds and Mutual Fund Administrators (Annual & Quarterly)
- ✓ Investments Statistical Digest 2007
- ✓ Investments Statistical Digest 2008
- ✓ List of all Mutual Funds registered/licensed with the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (updated quarterly)
- ✓ List of all Mutual Fund Administrators licensed with the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (updated quarterly)

#### Money Services Business

- ✓ Number of Money Service Providers
- ✓ List of Money Services Providers

#### Securities

- ✓ List of Securities Investment Business Licensees
- ✓ Securities Investment Business Licensees and Excluded Persons Quarterly and Annual Statistics

#### Trusts

- ✓ Number of Licences/Registrations under the Fiduciary Services Division
- ✓ List of Trust Companies licensed with the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (updated quarterly)
- ✓ List of Nominee Companies licensed with the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (updated quarterly)
- ✓ List of Controlled Subsidiaries registered with the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (updated quarterly)

✓ List of PTC's registered with the Cayman Islands (updated quarterly)

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

# Financial management

See the "Annual Report – Year ended 30 June 2009" on CIMA's website at www.cimoney.com.ky under "About CIMA/Publications/Annual Reports". Relating to the administration of the authority's monetary resources – including projected and actual income and expenditure; tendering; procurement; contracts, etc.

#### Administration\*

- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Training and Safety
- Information Technology
- Human Resources

# **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

The Monetary Authority's Regulatory Handbook (which can be viewed on CIMA's website under "Regulatory Framework/Handbook of Policy & Procedures") is issued under section 48 of the Monetary Authority Law (2010 Revision). It sets out the policies and procedures to be followed by the Monetary Authority, its committees, and officers in performing the CIMA's regulatory and co-operative functions. The handbook provides a practical guide to the operations of the Monetary Authority and reflects transparency and accountability in the way the Monetary Authority regulates and makes decisions.

The handbook details the structure and responsibilities of the Board of Directors and the Management Committee, the relationships that the Monetary Authority has with external bodies and specific information on matters such as the supervisory approach, supervisory returns, and anti-money laundering procedures. On our website you will find the following information in CIMA's regulatory handbook:

- Enforcement Manual
- Procedure Complaints Against the Authority
- Procedure Assessing Controller Costs
- Template Assessing Controller Costs
- Publication of Enforcement Actions taken by the Authority
- Procedure Mutual Funds and Mutual Fund Administrators Where Contact is Lost
- Procedure Issuing Notices of Decisions to Declined Applicants
- Procedure-Approval and Notification of Changes-Class B Insurers
- Regulatory Policy Recognition and Approval of Actuaries under the Insurance Law (2008 Revision)
- Regulatory Policy Approval of Trusts pursuant to Section 7(1) Insurance Law
- Regulatory Policy Exemption from Audit Requirement for a Regulated Mutual Fund
- Regulatory Policy Licensing Banks
- Regulatory Policy Approved Stock Exchanges

In addition, CIMA has published an index of measures that contains information to the Rules, Statements of Guidance, Statements of Principle, Regulatory Policies, Regulatory Procedures and Forms that pertain to each

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industry regulated by CIMA. This information can be found under "Regulatory Framework/Index of Measures" on their website. The industries regulated by CIMA are:

- Cooperative and Building Societies
- Corporate Services
- Banking Services
- Insurance
- Investment Services
- Money Services Business
- Securities
- Trusts

# **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS\***

- Board Meetings
- Minutes of meetings

#### LISTS & REGISTERS

- FOI disclosure log can be a found at: www.cimoney.com.ky/AboutCIMA/FreedomofInformation
- The Approved Auditors Register can be found on CIMA's website at www.cimoney.com.ky under "Regulated Sectors/Investment Funds/FAQs".

# **OUR SERVICES**

As the primary financial services regulator, the mission of the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority is to enhance the economic wealth and reputation of the Cayman Islands by fostering a thriving and growing, competitive, and internationally recognised financial services industry, through appropriate, responsive, cost-effective and efficient supervision and a stable currency.

The Cayman Islands Monetary Authority has four principal functions (the Authority's principal functions, and its obligations, are listed in section 6 of the Monetary Authority Law (2010 Revision)):

**Monetary** - The issue and redemption of Cayman Islands currency and the management of currency reserves.

**Regulatory** - The regulation and supervision of financial services, the monitoring of compliance with money laundering regulations, the issuance of a regulatory handbook on policies and procedures and the issuance of rules and statements of principle and guidance.

**Cooperative** - The provision of assistance to overseas regulatory authorities, including the execution of memoranda of understanding to assist with consolidated supervision.

**Advisory** - The provision of advice to the Government on monetary, regulatory and cooperative matters.

#### **FORMS**

If you wish to operate any of the businesses or in any of the capacities that CIMA regulates, you must obtain the appropriate authorisation from CIMA before beginning operations.

The requirements and procedures for becoming licensed or registered to operate in each sector and the ongoing requirements after authorisation are explained in the sector-specific pages on CIMA's website at www.cimoney.com.ky under "Regulated Sectors". Below you will find a list of the forms available on CIMA's website for each of the regulated sectors:

- Banking Services -
  - ✓ Personal Questionnaire

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- Cooperative and Building Societies
  - ✓ Personal Questionnaire
  - ✓ Building Societies Form (this form is used for the submission of building societies' quarterly returns to CIMA).
  - ✓ Cooperative Societies Form (this form is used for the submission of building societies' quarterly returns to CIMA).

# Corporate Services

✓ Company Managers Form

#### Insurance

- ✓ Personal Questionnaire
- ✓ Application for a Class 'A' Insurer's Licence
- ✓ Application for a Class 'B' Insurer's Licence
- ✓ Application for a Insurance Manager's Licence
- ✓ Application for an Agent's Licence
- ✓ Application for a Broker's Licence
- ✓ Affidavit

#### Investment Services

- ✓ Personal Questionnaire
- ✓ CIMAConnect Administrator Account Request Form
- ✓ Application for a mutual fund under Section 4(3) of the Mutual Funds Law (2009 Revision) (Form MF1)
- ✓ Application for a mutual fund under Section 4(1)(b) of the Mutual Funds Law (2009 Revision) (Form MF2/MF2A)
- ✓ Application for a mutual fund under Section 4(1)(a) of the Mutual Funds Law (2009 Revision) (Form MF3)
- ✓ Fund Annual Return (reporting form)

# Money Services Business

- ✓ Personal Questionnaire
- ✓ Money Services Business Survey/ Money Services Business Quarterly Return Form

#### Securities

- ✓ Personal Questionnaire
- ✓ SIBL Application Form for the Granting of a Licence
- ✓ SIBL Application Checklist
- ✓ SIBL Licence Fees
- ✓ SIBL Annual Declaration Form for Excluded Persons
- ✓ Securities Investment Business Financial Reporting
- ✓ SIBL Annual Declaration Form for Excluded Persons

#### Trusts

✓ Personal Questionnaire



# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

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specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

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- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Tax Information Authority will generally <u>not</u> publish:

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- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

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For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Tax Information Authority's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

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#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. If you are still having trouble locating information listed using the Tax Information Authority's website (www.tia.gov.ky), please contact the FOI Information Manager, Iain Blackwell, at 244-2354 or email at Iain.Blackwell@gov.ky or foi.tia@gov.ky.

## **Email**

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#### Phone

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#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Iain Blackwell
Assistant Director & FOI Information Manager
Tax Information Authority
P.O. Box 10080
Grand Cayman KY1-1001
CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, and full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in where necessary in *section 7:* Categories of information.

#### Advice and assistance

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The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Tax Information Authority strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

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If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Tax Information Authority has received your payment.

#### 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Tax Information Authority that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law by contacting the FOI Information Manager, Iain Blackwell, at 244-2354 or email at Iain.Blackwell@gov.ky or foi.tia@gov.ky.

#### 6. Complaints

The Tax Information Authority aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the FOI Information Manager, Iain Blackwell, at 244-2354 or email at Iain.Blackwell@gov.ky or foi.tia@gov.ky, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

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# **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Tax Information Authority

# **Ministry**

The Tax Information Authority is part of the Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development.

# Principal Officer

Mr. Duncan Nicol, Director

# **FOI Information Manager**

Iain Blackwell
Assistant Director & FOI Information Manager
Tax Information Authority
P.O. Box 10080
Grand Cayman KY1-1001
CAYMAN ISLANDS
Direct Line: 244-2354

Email: lain.Blackwell@gov.ky FOI email: foi.tia@gov.ky Website: www.tia.gov.ky

Freedom of Information website: www.foi.gov.ky

# **Organisation and functions**

The Tax Information Authority is the Cayman Islands competent authority for international cooperation on matters involving the provision of tax-related information. As the sole, dedicated channel in the Cayman Islands for these purposes, the Tax Information Authority has statutory responsibility in the areas of:

- tax information assistance under the Tax Information Authority Law (2009 Revision)
- reporting of savings income information under the Reporting of Savings Income Information (European Union) Law (2007 Revision).

The over-riding objective of the Tax Information Authority is to carry out the lawful and effective implementation of Cayman's international cooperation arrangements in tax matters. With separate statutory schemes governing Tax Information Assistance on the one hand and Reporting of Savings Income Information on the other, the Tax Information Authority carries out its responsibilities in a separate and distinct manner in these two areas of activity.

As competent authority under the Tax Information Authority Law, the Tax Information Authority has the following functions:

- Administer, manage and implement international Tax Information Arrangements and Agreements ("TIEAs") entered into by the Cayman Islands
- Execute requests for assistance under relevant legislation and TIEAs including related court applications, enforcement action and exercise of statutory powers
- Develop and enter into agreements with other Competent Authorities on TIA operational matters, provide advice on matters relating to tax information and perform ancillary statutory functions under the Tax Information Authority Law

As competent authority under the Reporting of Savings Income Information Law, the Tax Information Authority has the following functions:

- Administer, manage and implement the legal regime for reporting of savings income information in accordance with relevant legislation and Agreements on the Reporting of Savings Income Information
- Report prescribed savings income information received from paying agents to counterpart Competent Authorities in accordance with relevant legislation and Agreements
- Issue UCITS certificates, tax residency certificates and Guidance Notes, provide advice on matters relating to the operation of the relevant legislation and Agreements, and perform ancillary statutory functions under the Reporting of Savings Income Information (European Union) Law

Location and hours	Matters handled
Elizabethan Square (3rd Floor, Phase III) 80 Shedden Road George Town Grand Cayman CAYMAN ISLANDS	The administration, management and implementation of the Tax Information Authority Law (2009 Revision) and relevant international Tax Information Agreements entered into by the Cayman Islands.
TEL: (345) 244-2354 FAX: (345) 946-4804 EMAIL: foi.tia@gov.ky	The administration, management and implementation of the Reporting of Savings Income Information (European Union) Law (2007 Revision).
Hours of Work: 8:30am-5pm, Monday to Friday (except Public Holidays)	

# **Boards and committees**

None

# Frequently asked questions

- **Q.** Can the Tax Information Authority provide me with a current list of Cayman Islands Tax Information Exchange Agreements/Arrangements ("TIEAs")?
- **A.** Yes, these can be found on the Tax Information Assistance page of our website. (http://tia.gov.ky/pdf/BilateralAgreementsArrangements.pdf)
- **Q.** Does the Tax Information Authority release statistics on the Reporting of Savings Income Information?
- **A.** Yes, these are published annually on our website. (http://www.tia.gov.ky/html/reporting.htm)
- **Q.** Does the Tax Information Authority have a Publication Scheme?
- **A.** Yes, this contains further information about us. (http://www.tia.gov.ky/pdf/Publication\_Scheme.pdf)
- **Q.** Where can I find information on the legal requirements for Reporting of Savings Income Information?
- **A.** This may be found in the Guidance Notes that are published on our website.
- **Q.** Where can I find information on the Tax Information Authority Law?
- **A.** The Law can be found on the Tax Information Assistance page of our website together with the Guide to the Tax Information Authority Law.

- **Q.** Is the Tax Information Authority a tax administration or revenue agency?
- **A.** No, the Tax Information Authority is a Competent Authority for the purposes of the Cayman Islands international co-operation arrangements on tax matters.

Queries in relation to specific revenue matters should be directed to the relevant Government agency. For example:

For information on imports/exports and tariffs - Cayman Islands Customs; information on Tourist accommodation tax (Tel: (345) 949-0623) - Cayman Islands Department of Tourism.

- Q. Is the Tax Information Authority part of the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority ("CIMA")?
- **A.** No, CIMA is the Cayman Islands financial services regulator and is responsible for the Cayman Islands Currency Board. For more information about CIMA, please visit their website at www.cimoney.com.ky.
- **Q.** Is the Tax Information Authority a Statutory Authority?
- **A.** No, the Tax Information Authority is a government department and falls within the Ministry of Finance, Tourism and Development.
- Q. Can the Tax Information Authority provide a company tax exemption certificate?
- A. No, these are issued by the Cabinet Office. (Tel: (345) 244-2208 or (345) 244-2210, website: www.cabinetoffice.gov.ky)
- **Q.** Are there any boards or committees within the Tax Information Authority?

**A.** No.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

In accordance with its statutory responsibilities and functions, the Authority's strategic goals are:

- to implement, manage and administer the legal structures and mechanisms for fulfilling its statutory roles, including appropriate systems and procedures to accommodate the thirdparty driven request process for international co-operation in tax matters;
- to ensure the effective operation of the statutory regimes relating to international tax information agreements entered into by the Cayman Islands and the requirements for the reporting of savings income information;
- to cooperate effectively with counterpart competent authorities and operate in accordance with current and developing international standards;
- to maintain human and other resources at levels which demonstrate and provide capacity to carry out all functions in accordance with international standards

#### Governance

Tax Information Assistance:

→ Tax Information Authority Law (2009 Revision)

Tax Information Authority Regulations (2009 Revision)

Lax Information Authority (Tax Information Agreements) Order, 2009

Lax Information Authority (Tax Information Agreements) Order, 2010

Tax Information Authority (Tax Information Agreements) Order No.2, 2010

Reporting of Savings Income Information:

Reporting of Savings Income Information (European Union) Law (2007 Revision)

Reporting of Savings Income Information (European Union) Regulations, 2005

# **Corporate management**

Business Continuity Plan – Tax Information Authority

Hazard Management Plan for Records

Lisaster Recovery Plan

Note: Copies may be obtained upon request from the FOI Information Manager.

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

# Financial management

Annual budget

Financial statements; Half-yearly / quarterly reports

Public Management & Finance Law

Public Management & Finance Law - Financial Regulations

The Tax Information Authority is a non-revenue raising department and is funded as a core Government function.

#### Administration

Public Services Management Law

Public Services Management Law, Personnel Regulations

Human Resources policies and procedures

National Archive and Public Records Law

Press releases

Insurance policies

Job vacancies; career opportunities

Staff pay and grading structures

Records management file plan

Freedom of Information Law

Freedom of Information (General) Regulations

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# **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Internal complaints procedure

Human Resources policies and procedures

Information management policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)

Operating policies and procedures; Standards of service

Asset & Equipment Disposal Policy

Records Management laws, policies and procedures may be found on the Cayman Islands National Archive website: http://cina.gov.ky/recordsmanagement.htm

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# LISTS & REGISTERS

Asset register

FOI disclosure log

List of Public Authorities

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#### **OUR SERVICES**

#### **Tax Information Assistance:**

Arrangements with other countries that provide for assistance in the area of tax information are part of the Cayman Islands' overall framework for international co-operation. The Tax Information Authority is the Cayman Islands competent authority for these purposes and is the sole, dedicated channel for the provision of information on tax-related matters.

Guide to the Cayman Islands Tax Information Authority Law - (Version 1.0) March 2009

# **Reporting of Savings Income Information:**

The Tax Information Authority is the Cayman Islands competent authority for the purposes of savings income information reporting requirements. It is responsible for receiving the prescribed information from local organizations which qualify as "paying agents" and for transmitting that information to its counterpart competent authorities in each EU Member State. These requirements are the domestic measures which equate to the European Union Savings Directive ("EUSD"). Other principal functions of the Tax Information Authority include issuing Tax Residence Certificates and issuing Guidance Notes.

Guidance Notes on the Reporting of Savings Income Information Requirements in the Cayman Islands (Version 2.0)

Explanatory Memorandum for Version 2.0 of the Guidance Notes

Savings Income Report – Schedule 2

Savings Income Report – Schedule 3

Notes on the Completion of Savings Income Reports

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# <u>Post</u>

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Gerry Halischuk, Information Manager Cayman Islands Stock Exchange P.O. Box 2408 Grand Cayman KY1-1105 Cayman Islands

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# Personal visits

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# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

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Requests must include your name and an address (either postal or e-mail). Please be as specific as possible about the information you would like, as this will help us to respond promptly. Where possible, please include a contact telephone number so we can call to discuss your request if necessary.

We will respond to your request promptly. The FOI Law requires public authorities to respond within 30 calendar days, allowing an extension of an additional 30 calendar days if needed. We will always acknowledge receipt of FOI requests made to our address and we will let you know if we need to extend the deadline. For detailed advice on information that is exempt from disclosure under the FOI Law, please see the FOI Unit website at www.foi.gov.ky.

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You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response. The Information Commissioner can be contacted as follows:

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

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#### **ABOUT US**

#### Name of public authority

Cayman Islands Stock Exchange

# **Ministry**

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# **Organisation and functions**

The Exchange was established under The Cayman Islands Stock Exchange Company Law, 1996 (the "Law") as a private limited company. Under the Law, the Exchange has the sole and exclusive right to operate one or more securities markets in the Cayman Islands. The purposes

of the Exchange, as defined in the Law, "...are to engage in and carry on the business of establishing and operating one or more securities markets for the listing and trading of securities, which business shall include the admission of persons as Exchange members entitled by reason of membership of the Exchange to engage in the listing and trading of securities through the facilities made available by the Exchange for such purpose".

The specific regulatory objectives of the Exchange are to:

- protect investors and the public interest and prevent unfair discrimination between customers, issuers or broker members;
- ensure that broker members deal honestly and fairly with investors, and have sound finances and management:
- ensure that business is conducted in an orderly manner and so as to afford proper protection to investors;
- ensure the effective monitoring and enforcement of compliance of broker members with its rules; and
- promote and maintain high standards of integrity and fair dealing in the carrying out of business by broker members.

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Email/FOI email csx@csx.com.ky /foi@csx.com.ky

**Hours** 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday

# **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Exchange Council:		
Members:	Held as needed, at the Exchange's offices. The meetings	Minutes are available in hard copy only. Please contact the Exchange at
Anthony B. Travers (Chairman),	are not open to the	foi@csx.com.ky.
Deborah Drummond (Vice Chair),	public.	,
James Bergstrom, Roisin Cater,		
Harry Chisholm, Sheree Ebanks,		
Charles Farrington, Barry Smith,		
Valia Theodoraki (CEO),		
Canover Watson		

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

#### Governance

High-level documents that inform and direct the functions and activities of the authority: Copies of the following documents may be obtained on request from the Information Manager who can be contacted at foi@csx.com.ky:

Corporate constitutional documents:

- a) Articles of Association of The Cayman Islands Stock Exchange Ltd.
- b) Memorandum of Association of The Cayman Islands Stock Exchange Ltd.

Governing legislation and regulations:

a) The Cayman Islands Stock Exchange Company Law

#### **Corporate management**

Copies of the following may be obtained upon request from the Information Manager:

- annual reports of the Exchange
- audit reports on overall operations of the Exchange
- statistics
- Emergency Preparedness and Recovery Plan

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the Exchange's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

#### Financial management

Copies of the following may be obtained upon request from the Information Manager:

- annual budget
- financial statements
- sources of revenue and investments
- accounting procedures; contracting procedures
- list of current tenders, contracts or quotations, recently awarded contracts

#### Administration

Copies of, or information about, the following may be obtained upon request from the Information Manager:

- insurance policies
- premises lease
- press releases (also available on our website at www.csx.com.ky under "CSX News" "Announcements")
- job vacancies and career opportunities
- information technology
- human resources
- records management file plan or classification scheme

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

The Exchange's policies and procedures for carrying out its functions and activities and for delivering its services are grouped as follows:

- Listings Rules, Policies and Procedures which can be found on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky under "CSX Listing" – "Listing Rules and Forms"
- Broker Membership Rules, Policies and Procedures which can be found on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky under "CSX Membership" – "Broker Membership Rules and Forms"
- Trading Rules, Policies and Procedures which can be found on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky under "CSX Trading" – "Trading Procedures" and "Crossing Market Procedures"
- CUSIP/ISIN Procedures and Forms [for obtaining numbering system identifiers (CINS and ISIN) for securities of issuers registered in the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands] which can be found on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky under "CUSIP/ISIN Services"
- Complaint Procedures which can be found on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky under "CSX Information" "About us"

# **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Stock Exchange Company Law confers self-regulatory powers on the CSX as an exchange, subject to supervision and regulation by the Stock Exchange Authority. The Stock Exchange Authority is an autonomous body established as the dedicated regulator for the Exchange under the Law. The Authority has statutory responsibility for the policy, regulation and supervision of the Exchange.

The Financial Secretary of the Cayman Islands Government is the chair of the Authority. Its executive board, appointed by the Governor of the Cayman Islands, comprises in addition to the Financial Secretary, the Head of the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority, the Attorney General, the Deputy Financial Secretary and the Head of the Government's Economic and Statistics Department.

The Authority appoints the members of the Exchange's Council that is responsible for administering the business affairs and day-to-day operations of the Exchange. The Council

comprises eleven senior professionals, nine of whom are drawn from the private sector. The Assistant Financial Secretary and the Chief Executive Officer of the Exchange also are members of the Council.

Rule-making and policy development by the Exchange, including any changes to pre-existing rules and policies, is effected in consultation with the Authority and is subject to the Authority's written approval. The Authority has the statutory authority to require the Exchange to make, rescind or amend any of its rules.

The Council has delegated its powers and functions for listing matters to the Exchange's listing committee and for trading and membership matters to the Exchange's membership committee, subject to the appeals procedures set out in the rules. The committees are made up of all members of the Council who may, subject to any conflict of interest, participate in all listing and membership committee meetings. The quorum for committee meetings is three.

In the first instance, all listing applications are dealt with by the listing staff of the Exchange and all broker member applications as well as compliance and enforcement matters are dealt with by the market regulation staff of the Exchange, who report to the applicable committee.

Copies of the minutes of Council meetings, redacted as necessary and in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*, can be obtained upon request from the Information Manager.

#### LISTS & REGISTERS

The Exchange compiles and maintains, on a daily basis, the Official List, which is the complete list of all securities listed on the Exchange. It can be found on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky under "CSX Listing".

The Exchange also publishes, on a daily basis, the Daily Trading Summary, which is the record of all trades that have occurred each day through the Exchange's trading facilities. It can be found on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky under "CSX Trading".

A list of the Exchange's listing agents and broker members can be found on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky under "CSX Listing" and "CSX Membership" respectively.

# **OUR SERVICES**

#### Listing

The admission of securities to listing on the Exchange is governed by the Exchange's Listing Rules, which also provide detailed requirements for the continuing obligations of issuers, the enforcement of those obligations and the suspension and cancellation of listing. The Listing Rules can be viewed on the Exchange's website under "CSX Listing"-"Listing Rules and Forms". The Exchange also has rules governing takeover bids and substantial acquisitions of shares ("Code on Takeovers and Mergers") and has adopted the Model Code of Conduct for Directors, Managers and Employee Insiders. The purpose of the Model Code is to ensure that persons discharging managerial responsibilities and employee insiders do not abuse, and do not place themselves under suspicion of abusing, inside information that they may have, especially in

periods leading up to an announcement of the issuer's results. Both the Code on Takeovers and Mergers and the Model Code can be viewed on the Exchange's website under "CSX Listing"-"Listing Rules and Forms".

Relevant documents accessible on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky under "CSX Listing"-"Listing Rules and Forms" are as follows:

- Listing Rules
- Code on Takeovers and Mergers
- Model Code of Conduct for Directors, Managers and Employee Insiders

# **Listing Funds**

The Exchange is the leading offshore exchange in a North American time zone for the listing of mutual funds and hedge funds with approximately 2,000 fund listings to date. An Exchange listing is an inexpensive, efficient and effective way to add credibility, marketing value and a higher profile to a fund offering. Advantages to listing a fund on the Exchange include: \* enhanced access to institutional capital, particularly to institutional investors who may face legal or internal constraints on investing in unlisted securities; \* listing rules that are tailored to accommodate the latest structures and products, do not impose unnecessarily onerous conditions and restrictions and are not bound by the EU Prospectus Directive; \* UK HMRC recognized status that qualifies CSX listed securities for investment by UK personal pension plans; and \* a listing process that is streamlined and cost competitive.

# Listing Debt

The Exchange also is the leading offshore exchange in a North American time zone for the listing of specialist debt securities, Eurobonds and insurance and risk-related securities, with approximately 1,000 such listings to date. Advantages to listing debt on the Exchange include: \* enhanced access to institutional capital, particularly to institutional investors who may face legal or internal constraints on investing in unlisted securities; \* HMRC recognized status that permits the payment of interest and dividends without withholding tax; \* listing rules that are tailored to accommodate the latest structures and products, do not impose unnecessarily onerous conditions and restrictions and are not bound by the EU Prospectus Directive; and \* a listing process that is streamlined and cost competitive.

# Listing Equity

The Exchange offers a listing and trading facility for both domestic and international equity, whether primary or secondary listings. Advantages to listing equity on the Exchange include: \* a trading platform that provides a secondary market for listed securities; \* no trading fees; \* enhanced access to institutional capital, particularly to institutional investors who may face legal or internal constraints on investing in unlisted securities; \* enhanced ability to acquire U.S. shareholders in the secondary market without the need to meet U.S. regulatory requirements; \* UK HMRC recognized status that qualifies CSX listed securities for investment by UK personal pension plans; \* potential for local companies to raise development capital and their corporate profile and to build a local market for their listed securities; \* listing rules that do not impose unnecessarily onerous conditions and restrictions and are not bound by U.S. regulatory requirements or by the EU Prospectus Directive; and \* a listing process that is streamlined and cost competitive.

If you wish to discuss listing on the Exchange, please contact the Exchange's Listing Department directly at csx@csx.com.ky . All Exchange listing rules and other regulations and forms are accessible for review on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky.

#### Membership

The admission and ongoing business activities of broker members of the Exchange are governed by the Exchange's Broker Membership Rules. The Broker Membership Rules include comprehensive member conduct rules as well as market conduct rules. In order to qualify as a broker member of the Exchange, an applicant must satisfy the Exchange that it meets the criteria set out in the Exchange's Broker Membership Rules. The Broker Membership Rules require that broker members comply with the stringent anti-money-laundering legislation enacted in the Cayman Islands, including the implementation of appropriate KYC procedures, and provide for sanctions should they fail to meet the legislated requirements. Broker members are required to file, for review by Exchange staff, monthly capital adequacy reports, annual audited financial statements and an annual compliance report that reviews the effectiveness of compliance and monitoring procedures and identifies any areas of concern. Broker members also are subject to periodic onsite inspections by Exchange staff to review compliance with the Exchange's Broker Membership Rules.

The Broker Membership Rules include market conduct rules that require that broker members of the Exchange have appropriate compliance procedures in place to identify and address various abusive trading practices, including insider trading and market manipulation, and provide for specific prohibitions against, and disciplinary provisions for, the involvement of the Exchange's broker members in abusive trading practices. The Exchange has been a member of the Intermarket Surveillance Group ("ISG") since 2001 and its market conduct rules meet ISG membership requirements. The Broker Membership Rules can be viewed on the Exchange's website under "CSX Membership"-"Broker Membership Rules and Forms".

Only broker members of the Exchange may access the trading facilities of the Exchange. A broker member admitted to trade in securities listed on the Exchange usually also must be licensed for trading in securities by the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority. Only Exchange registered employees of broker members with trading access are permitted to enter orders using the trading system's password protected order entry screens. The Exchange assigns passwords directly. The Exchange's trading and settlement system is electronic and web-based and offers the Exchange's broker members an easily accessible and transparent means of posting quotations and conducting and settling trades in listed securities. Trades by the Exchange's broker members in equities with a primary listing on the Exchange are required to be conducted through the Exchange's trading system.

If you wish to be considered for broker membership, please contact the Exchange's Markets and Compliance Department directly at csx@csx.com.ky. Broker membership rules and forms are accessible for review on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky.

#### **CUSIP/ISIN Services**

The Exchange is the exclusive CUSIP International numbering agent for issuing CUSIP numbering system identifiers (CINS and ISIN) for securities of issuers registered in the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands. CUSIP-based identifiers provide a unique name for each financial instrument allowing them to be easily recognized by all players in the industry. This makes trading and clearing and settlement of securities transactions much more efficient and also supports the proper processing of income payments made during the lifecycle of an issue. Information on how to apply for an identification number can be found on the Exchange's website at www.csx.com.ky under "CUSIP/ISIN Services".



# Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture], or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access:
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

# Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at www.dapah.gov.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact the Ministry via email at DAPAH@gov.ky.

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.mpc@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call (345) 244-2412 to request information.

# <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Information Manager, Ministry of District Administration, Works , Lands and Agriculture,  $4^{\text{th}}$  Floor, Government Administration Building, KY1-9000

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

# Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

# Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please email foi.mpc@gov.ky or contact 345-244-2412 and ask to speak to the Information Manager or Information Manager Designate for assistance.

The Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

#### 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture] strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

# Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

# Postage costs

The Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing please see *www.dapah.gov.ky* for more information. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

# 6. Complaints

The Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact foi.mpc@gov.ky or call 345-244-2412, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from www.dapah.gov.ky.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office,

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

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# **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture

#### <u>Minister</u>

Deputy Premier

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# **Principal Officer**

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- Mrs. Nadisha Walters Chief Financial Officer
- Mr. Kyle McLean Deputy Chief Financial Officer
- Mrs. Melinda Montemayor Chief Human Resource Officer

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# **Organisation and Functions**

The Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture provides critical infrastructure services to maintain a strong and viable economy and to promote a healthy, clean and safe environment for both visitors and residents alike. Among our Ministry's many areas of responsibility is the economic and social development and sustainability of the Sister Islands, maintenance of the existing infrastructure, the management of land use, and the fair and equitable treatment of men and women.

# **Physical Address:**

4<sup>th</sup> Floor Government Administration Building 71A Elgin Avenue, KY1-9000 Tel (345) 244-2412 Fax (345) 949-2922 Ministry.DAPAH@gov.ky www.dapah.gov.ky

# **Ministry's Finance Unit Physical Address:**

4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Anderson Square 64 Shedden Road Tel (345) 244-2478 Fax (345) 949-0920

Location and hours	Matters handled
Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture Deputy Premier and Hon. Minister's Office 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Government Administration Building 71A Elgin Avenue, George Town 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Monday to Friday Tel: 345-244-2412	Administration for Deputy Premier and Hon. Minister Policy and Planning Legislation Human Resource Management Freedom of Information Requests Complaints Hazard Management Accounts Payable/ Receivable Preparing Budget Day to Day Operations Payroll Capital Projects Equity Injections Executive Assets

Government Office Accommodations Project Office, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Britcay House 236 Eastern Avenue George Town 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Monday to Friday Tel:345-945-0222 Fax:345-945-0223	Project Management for new Government Office Accommodations and other special projects.
Petroleum Inspectorate 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Anderson Square 64 Shedden Road 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Monday to Friday Tel: 345-244-3468	Monitor various workplaces and equipment to ensure that the Dangerous Substance Handling and Storage Law is complied with  Ensure fair and regulated petroleum prices
National Weather Service Owen Roberts Drive, George Town	Responsible for aviation, meteorology, public and severe weather forecasting.

# **Boards and Committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Agricultural Development Committee	Dormant	
Aquaculture Development Committee	Dormant	
Assessment Committee (Roads)	To Be Announced.	

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

# What areas of responsibility does your Ministry hold (i.e Departments and Sections)?

- District Administration
- Agriculture
- Lands & Survey
- Mosquito Research & Control Unit
- Petroleum Inspectorate
- Sister Islands Affordable Housing Development Corporation
- Government Office Accommodations Project (GOAP)

- Public Works
- Postal Services
- Radio Cayman
- Vehicle & Drivers' Licensing
- Vehicle & Equipment Services
- Environmental Health
- Recreation, Parks and Cemeteries Unit

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

#### Governance

The work of the Ministry is largely governed by directives obtained through the Governor in Cabinet. The Hon. Minister and Deputy Premier, with approval from Cabinet, appoint members to Boards of the Government Statutory Authorities and various other Government Boards to develop and implement government policies, legislation, etc.

The following list reflects the legislation that guides the management of the Ministry:

- Personnel Regulations (2006)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)
- Financial Regulations (2008 Regulations)
- Freedom of Information Law (2007 Revision)
- The Freedom of Information General Regulations (2008 Revision)
- The Cayman Islands Constitution Order (2009)

## **Corporate Management**

The following document helps plan and evaluate the work of the Ministry:

Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands & Agriculture – Hurricane Preparedness Plan (2009)

The Ministry's annual report is available at: http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1591697&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL]

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

The Ministry of District Administration's Finance Unit administers and manages the Ministry's budget process and monetary resources. The Unit is headed by a Chief Financial Officer who reports to the Permanent Secretary/Chief Officer. For further information on finance matters, please contact our Finance Unit at 244-2478 or email the receptionist at leon.bodden@gov.ky.

#### Financial management

The following documents are related to the administration of the Ministry's monetary resources:

- Annual Budget Statement
- Annual Plan and estimates
- Purchase Agreements
- Financial Statements; Half-yearly/quarterly reports
- Capital Acquisition Budget
- Accounting Policies and Procedures
- Payment Batches and Invoices
- Cabinet Invoicing

The Ministry's annual budget can be obtained from the following link: http://www.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1142,1593653& dad=portal& schema=PORTAL]

#### Administration

The following documents are related to other administrative functions carried out within the Ministry:

- Press Releases
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records Management File Plan

#### **Human Resources**

Please contact our Human Resources Office at 244-3429 or by emailing the Chief HR Officer, Melinda.Montemayor@gov.ky for more information on human resources matters.

The following documents are used to guide the management of human resource matters in the Ministry:

Human Resources Policy and Procedure Manual

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

The following policies are used or have been created by the Ministry:

- Complaints Policy
- Aggregate Importation Policy (2009 Revision)
- Importation of Heavy Equipment Policy

#### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

The Ministry keeps a list or register of the following:

- Assets Register
- File Registry
- List of Boards and Committees appointed by the Ministry
- FOI Requests
- List of Complaints
- List of Incoming and Outgoing Mail
- List of Press Releases
- List of Payments

#### **OUR SERVICES**

The Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture funds, develops, and monitors the implementation of policy, legislation and services in the areas of Sister Islands' administration, telecommunications, infrastructure, management of Crown estates and public buildings, agriculture, environmental health, petroleum inspection, and gender affairs.

The departments and units within its remit include: District Administration, National Weather Service, Radio Cayman, Telecoms Unit, Postal Services, Government Office Accommodation Project Office (GOAP), Public Works, Sister Islands Sports, Vehicle and Drivers Licensing; Vehicle and Equipment Services; Lands and Survey; Recreation Parks and Cemeteries Unit; Agriculture, Environmental Health, Mosquito Research and Control Unit; and Petroleum Inspectorate.

The authorities, boards and committees within its remit include: Electricity Regulatory Authority, Information and Communications Technology Authority, Water Authority, National Roads Authority, Sister Islands Affordable Housing Development Corporation, Animal Welfare Advisory Committee, Veterinary Board, Assessment Committee (Roads), Land Surveyor's Board, and Street Naming and Numbering Committee.

# **Government Office Accommodations Project (GOAP):**

The project management office for the new Government Accommodations and other government special projects falls under the responsibility of the Ministry.

#### Petroleum Inspectorate:

This section of the Ministry is responsible for monitoring various workplaces and equipment to ensure that the Dangerous Substance Handling and Storage Law is complied with and for ensuring fair and regulated petroleum prices.

#### **National Weather Services:**

This section of the Ministry is responsible for aviation, meteorology, public and severe weather forecasting.



# **District Administration Department**

# **Publication Scheme**

Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

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## **ABOUT US**

## Name of public authority

District Administration Department Cayman Brac

#### **Ministry**

Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands & Agriculture

#### **Chief Officer**

Mr. Kearney Gomez MBE JP, Chief Officer, Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands & Agriculture, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS

# Name and Title of Head

Mr. Ernie Scott JP, District Commissioner, District Administration Building, Cayman Brac KY2-2101, CAYMAN ISLANDS

#### Information manager

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#### **Organisation and functions**

District Administration Department is the main Government Office with in the Sister Islands. It is headed by the District Commissioner and the Deputy District Commissioner. The office is located in Stake Bay, the island's capital. The Mission Statement of District Administration Department is to administer and support the business of government in Cayman Brac and Little Cayman, ensuring the timely and efficient implementation of government policies. This is achieved by providing the functions of the following departments:

- District Commissioner's Office.
- Computer Services
- Customs
- Day Care Centre
- District Office (Little Cayman)
- Immigration
- Marketing & Promotions
- Museum
- Public Works
- Department of Treasury/Vehicle Licensing

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Location and hours	Matters handled
District Commissioner's Office District Administration Building 8:30am – 5:00pm, Monday - Friday	Administration, Official Visits & Ceremonial Events, Human Resources & Recruitment, Special Marriage Licences, Bi-weekly Payroll, Firearm Licences, Compilation & Distribution of Registers & Flyers, Public Service Pension issues, Hurricane & Disaster Preparedness, Response & Recovery, Passports; US Waivers/Visas & Emergency ID Travel Documents, Naturalisation/Registration as a British Overseas Territory Citizen/British Citizen Applications & Pledge Ceremony, Birth, Death & Marriage Registration & Certificates, Revenue Collection, Accounts Payable, Government Houses Rental Collection, Government Furniture & Office Supplies, Memorial Day Service, CINICO Representation, Cemetery Vault sales, Community

	Calendar, Government Pool Bookings, Conference Room Bookings, Electrician/Linesman/Wireman Licences Applications, Radio Licences Applications, Speargun/Turtle/Fish Pot/Fishing Licence Applications, Veteran & Seaman's Grant Applications, Notary Public Renewal Fees, Law Library
Computer Services District Administration Building 8:30am – 5:00pm, Monday - Friday	Maintaining all Computers, Networks, Printers, Photocopiers and Phone Systems for District Administration and its substations.
Customs District Administration Building 8:30am – 4:30pm, Monday – Friday 8:30am – 12noon, Saturday  Gerrard Smith International Airport 8:30am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday 8:30am – 12noon, Saturday  West End Post Office 8:30am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday 9:00am – 11:30am, Saturday  Port Authority Warehouse 8:30am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday 8:30am – 12noon, Saturday	Protection and collection of government revenue and the facilitation of trade - including the control of vessels/aircraft, goods, and passengers and crew - with special emphasis on the prevention and control of prohibited and restricted goods.
Cayman Brac Day Care Centre Day Care Centre 7:30am – 5:30pm, Monday – Friday	Public Childcare
District Office (Little Cayman) District Officer's House 9:00am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday 9:00am – 12noon, Saturday	
Immigration District Administration Building 8:30am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday  Gerrard Smith International Airport 8:30am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday	<ul> <li>Process International Passengers/ Visitors arriving and departing from Cayman Brac &amp; Little Cayman</li> <li>Monitor the activities of Visitor and Migrant Workers</li> <li>Monitor and ensure that Local Businesses</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>are Duly Licensed.</li> <li>Monitor the arrival of Illegal Migrants (e.g. Cubans) and process them in accordance to Government Policies and UNHCR guidelines</li> <li>Collect and account for all Immigration and Business License fees.</li> <li>Receive Work Permit applications and disseminate information on the decisions (made by the Immigration Board or the Chief Immigration delegate in respect of Temporary Work Permits.)</li> </ul>
Marketing & Promotions District Administration Building 8:30am – 5:00pm, Monday - Friday	Marketing Support to the public and private sector
Cayman Brac Museum Cayman Brac Museum Building 9:00am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday 9:00am – 12noon, Saturday	Acquisition, conservation, documentation, interpretation, research, exhibits and sale of souvenirs.
Public Works Department Public Works Compound 8:30am – 5:00pm, Monday - Friday	Maintain and preserve Government investment in buildings, public facilities, and road infrastructure.
Treasury & Vehicle Licensing 8:30am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday	Processing of Monthly/Bi-weekly Payrolls, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, Capital Expenditure, Vehicle Licensing, Garbage fees, Court Funds, and Court Fines.

# **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Liquor Licensing Board of Cayman Brac and Little Cayman Chairman, Dennis Ebanks JP Deputy Chairman, District Commissioner Ernie Scott JP Member, Gina Ebanks JP Member, Jason McLaughlin Member, Siobhan Scott Executive Secretary, Dave Tatum Ex-Officio, Cayman Brac and Little	Quarterly	All Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by requesting a copy in writing from the Information Manager at the below address:  Mrs. Connie Godet Information Manager District Administration

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Cayman Fire Division Ex-Officio, O/ic - Cayman Brac Police Station Ex-Officio, O/ic Environmental Health		PO Box 240 Cayman Brac KY2-2101 CAYMAN ISLANDS Direct Line: (345) 244-4436 Office: (345) 948-2222 Email: connie.godet@gov.ky FOI Email: foi.dad@gov.ky
Cayman Brac Park Committee B. L. (Mark) Tibbetts JP, Chairman Bernard Watson , Treasurer L. Kenny Ryan MBE JP, Member Odetta Dixon, Member Yvonne Walton, Member Trudy McLean, Member		Website: http://districtadmin.foi.gov.ky Freedom of Information Website: http://foi.gov.ky
Sister Islands Annual Agriculture Show Committee B. L. (Mark) Tibbetts JP, Chairman E. Annie Rose Scott Cert. Hon., Deputy Chairman Pauline Tibbetts , Secretary Darlene Robinson, Treasurer Janet Gates, PR Marcia Rankine, Member Telford Miller, Member Valden Scott, Member Valden Scott, Member Garfield (Teddy) Ritch, Member Robert Smith, Member Melvin McFarlane, Member		
Civic Centre Management Committee E. Ashton Bodden JP, Chairman Burnard Tibbetts MBE, Member Joel Scott Sr., Member Shirdan Walton JP, Member Stephanie McCoon, Secretary Ernie Scott JP, Ex-Officio (District Commissioner) Emmanuel (Noli) Cruz, Ex-Officio (Works Manager		
Development Control Board Mr. Ernley ("Ernie") Hurlstone, Chairman Ronald Kynes, Member Capt. Edgar Ashton Bodden, Member Mr. Delano Lazzari, Member	Bi-weekly	

Mr. Royce Dilbert, Member		
Mr. Melgreen Reid, Member Mr. Larry Bryan, Member Ms. Andrea L. Stevens, Executive Secretary		
Coordiary		
SIEC Ernie Scott JP, Chairman B. L. (Mark) Tibbetts JP, Deputy Chairman Juliana O'Connor-Connolly Hon. Deputy Premier, JP, Member Moses Kirkconnell III MLA JP, Member Emmanuel Cruz , Member Justin Bodden, Member E. Ashton Bodden JP, Member Robert Smith, Member Conrad Martin, Member Conrad Martin, Member Tyvette Dilbert, Member Dr. S. Velusamy, Member Rohendis Britton, Member Ch. Insp. Malcolm Kay, Member Roger Scott, Member Garfield Ritch, Member Larry Foster JP, Member Paul Connolly, Member Paul Connolly, Member Delroy Bodden, Member Pamela Harper-Givens, Member Andrea Stevens, Member Derry Martin-Rankin, Member Raymond A. Scott, Member Neila Jones, Member Wanda Tatum Cert. Hon. JP, Secretary Connie Godet, Assistant. Secretary		
Cayman Brac & Little Cayman Immigration Board Sybil Jackson, Cert. Hon. JP, Chairman Temple Tatum, Deputy Chairman Bernard Tibbetts MBE, Member Mary Verna Banks, Member Franklin Bodden, Member Assistant Chief Immigration Officer, Member Sherry Scott, Secretary	Bi-weekly	

## Frequently asked questions

How much does it cost to get a new or to renew a Cayman Islands passport?

The cost for a new or to renew a Cayman Islands passport for is CI \$100.00

How long does it take for the passport to be processed?

The issuance of a passport takes a minimum of (3) business weeks

- What documents are required to accompany the passport if applying for a new passport if the person has Caymanian status?
  - a. (2) full faced photos, (one of which has to be stamped with name of the photo company and dated and the other is to be certified and dated by a Justice of the Peace)
  - b. A copy of the applicant's Naturalisation Certificate (to be certified by the District Commissioner, Deputy District Commissioner or J.P)
  - c. Completed application form (witnessed by a J.P)

#### **Customs**

# 1. Taking Up Cayman Island Residence

Persons who were previously permanent residents abroad, who are entering the islands on a bona fide change of residence for a period of one year or more, may import Duty Free –

#### Baggage and Personal effects accompanying the passenger:

Clothing and other wearing apparel, articles of personal adornment and other normal personal effects, new or used;

In regards to the items listed below, it must be proven by the persons taking up residence, to have been in use and ownership abroad by them, for a period of not less than six months and not imported for sale or commercial exchange.

## Instruments and tools of trade:

To be used for the purpose of the person's trade or profession.

#### **Household Goods:**

Linens, towels, rugs, toiletries, art, framed pictures, toys, strollers, crafts, fans, washers, dryers, VCR/DVD players, TVs, stereos, radios, records, tapes, DVDs, books, personal records, photo albums, etc.

## **Home Office Equipment:**

Computers (CPU, monitor, printer, etc), filing cabinets, shredders, fax machines, telephones, calculators, books, etc.

#### Kitchenware:

Silverware, glassware, chinaware, pots, pans, utensils, electrical kitchen appliances, etc.

#### **Furniture:**

Tables, chairs, sofas, bedroom, living room, desks, lamps, mirrors, etc.

Other personal effects not noted above should be individually described.

All of the articles noted above may be imported before or within six months of the arrival of the persons taking up residence. The Collector of Customs in special circumstances may extend the import period beyond the six months. A request for an extension will have to be made to the Collector of Customs in writing.

# 2. Returning Residents

Passengers returning home from an overseas visit may bring with them personal and household goods, at the discretion of the Collector, to a value of CI\$350.00.

# 3. Building Materials and Gasoline Concession

All physical components and substances, whether solid or liquid, complex or simple, large or small, for use in the construction, renovation or restoration, and, forming a permanent part of any building or related structure on Cayman Brac. A full listing of items which qualify under this concession is available at all Cayman Brac Customs Offices.

Import duties on gasoline has been reduced by 75%.

# 4. Goods exported with the intention of being re-imported.

These goods are required to be examined by Customs prior to their departure and a Re-Import document completed. Failure to comply renders the goods liable to import duty upon their return. Goods exported for further processing (repair, renovation or exchange) must be accompanied by an invoice detailing any costs, upon which import duty will be charged.

# **Day Care**

- Question: How many children are enrolled at the Centre?
- Answer: There are approximately 40 children registered at the Centre.
- Question: At what age can children begin attending the Centre?
- Answer: Children are accepted at the Centre from Six Weeks of age.
- Question: What is the ratio of Teacher to children?
- Answer: Currently our ratio is 1 Teacher to 4 children.
- Question: What are the requirements for registration at the Centre?
- **Answer:** Before a child can be accepted at the Centre, a Registration Form must first be filled out. The Medical Appraisal must be completed by a MD or the Public Health Nurse.

How can cargo be cleared in Little Cayman and what is the process?

Port:

The District Officer will be present to clear cargo when the barge is offloading and is available by appointment at other times.

#### Air:

Persons must pay any applicable duties at the District Officer's Office before cargo can be sent over to Little Cayman.

## **Immigration**

http://www.immigration.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1608,2524506&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

# **Marketing & Promotions**

- Question: How do I book a Nature Tour?
- Answer: Tours can be booked by calling our office, via email or by contacting us through one of our website. Tours can also be booked through your front desk staff.
- Question: What is included in the Nature Tour?
- Answer: There are over 30 nature & heritage sites; caves, trails and historic landmarks. The tours are customizable depending on what you would like to see and experience and generally last 2-4hours. Tour length depends on the visitor.
- Question: What times are the Nature Tours available?
- Answer: Tours are conducted Monday Friday (Check for availability on Saturdays, there are no tours on Sundays). Normal working hours are 8:30am 5pm but we can arrange for tours outside of these times.
- Question: How do I book the Heritage House and what are the fees?
- Answer: The Heritage House can be booked by contacting Assistant Programme Coordinator, Saskia Edwards at the Heritage House or through Chevala Burke, Marketing & Promotions Manager. The fees are 15.00 an hour or 100.00 for a day rental. There is a 25.00 optional cleaning fee. Religious institutions, Government entities and Non-profit organizations are free.

#### **Public Works**

- Question: Does PWD rent heavy equipment?
- Answer: We rent heavy equipment, only if it is not available from another source. Our aim is not to take away business from the private sectors. If the person is not successful in acquiring the necessary equipment elsewhere we will rent under the conditions that our Operator will be the person to operate the equipment.
- Question: Who is in charge of your office?
- **Answer:** Mr. Emmanuel Cruz, the Works Manager and Mr. Justin Bodden, the Assistant Works Manager.
- Question: Do you provide tents, tables and chairs for private functions?
- Answer: Please contact the District Commissioner's office @ 948-2222

# Treasury & Vehicle Licensing

www.dvdl.gov.ky

A full listing of all Frequently Asked Questions can be obtained from our website at http://districtadmin.foi.gov.ky.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The Ministry of DAWL&A administering the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

The Ministry of DAWL&A administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. This includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

## Financial management

- Annual budget
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  - http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1593653&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTA L ]
- Financial statements; Half-yearly / quarterly reports
- Sources of revenue; Investments; Capital programme
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures
- Board members allowances and expenses
- Ministerial expenditure
- List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; Recently-awarded contracts

#### Administration

- Insurance policies
- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Complaints-handling procedure

- HR policies and procedures
- Information management policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Hurricane Preparedness Plan
- Labour Law
- Public Service Management Law
- Operating policies and procedures; Standards of service

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Board Meetings & Minutes of meetings
- Public consultations
- Permits granted or refused (where publication is required by law, enactment or practice)
- Evaluation procedures
- Assessment criteria

#### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

- FOI disclosure log
- Asset Register

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- Responding to the needs of other government (client) departments and agencies

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Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from Department of Agriculture's Office.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

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#### **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Cayman Islands Department of Agriculture

#### **Ministry**

Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture

# Principle officer and Key Staff

- Mr. Adrian Estwick, Director of Agriculture
- Mr. Brian Crichlow, Assistant Director Agriculture Services
- Dr. Kanyuira Gikonyo, Veterinary Officer II
- Mr. Telford Miller, Senior Agricultural Officer
- Mr. Raymond Coleman, Agronomist
- Ms. Joan Steer, Plant Protection Officer
- Mr. Ronald Green, Senior Animal Health and Welfare Officer
- Miss Ceita Christian, Financial Administrator

# Information manager

Mr. Brian Crichlow, Assistant Director – Agriculture Services (Acting Information Manager) – 345-947-3090

# Organisation and functions Mission Statement

The organization seeks to develop sustainable agricultural production in order to promote measures of self-sufficiency and food security (compatible with economic reality) for the Cayman Islands. To preserve and protect the state of health and well being of plants and animals and to indirectly promote the wellness of residents through dynamic planned development.

#### **Grand Cayman**

Administrative Offices, Sales, Technical Services & Propagation Station

# Hours of Operation:

Administration: Monday to Friday – 8:30am – 5:00pm

Agriculture Sales: Monday to Friday – 8:00am - 4:30pm (closed on Wednesdays)

Saturday - 8:30am - 1:00pm

181 Lottery Road, Lower Valley Bodden Town, Grand Cayman

PH: 1-345-947-3090 Fax: 1-345-947-6501

# **Agricultural Health Inspection Services (AHIS)**

Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday – 8:00am-4:30pm

136 Owen Roberts Drive Cargo Express Building Airport Road, George Town

PH: 1-345-946-6927 Fax: 1-345-945-2251

# **Agricultural Health Inspection Services**

(Owen Roberts International Airport)

298 Owen Roberts Drive George Town, Grand Cayman

PH: 1-345-949-7909 Fax: 1-345-945-2267

# Cayman Brac

# Administrative Offices, Sales, Technical Services & Propagation Station

Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday – 8:00am-4:30pm

48 Spot Bay Rd. Cayman Brac

PH: 1-345-948-0522 Fax: 1-345-948-0407

#### **Mailing Addresses**

Grand Cayman: P. O. Box 459

Grand Cayman KY1 -1106

Cayman Brac: P. O. Box 136

Cayman Brac KY2 - 2401

# **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Animal Welfare and Control Committee  - Mr. Adrian Estwick, Chairman - Dr. Jackman - Mr. Alvin McLaughlin - Ms. Carolyn Parker	Not open to the public.  Meets every other month.	Hard Copy and Electronic Copies are stored at the Department of Agriculture.
Veterinary Board  - Dr. Alfred Benjamin, Chairman  - Dr. Lana Watler-Rowell  - Dr. Joseph Jackman  - Mr. Ronald Green	Not open to the public.  Meets quarterly or on necessity.	Hard Copy and Electronic Copies are stored at the Department of Agriculture.
Administrative Strategic Planning Committee  - Mr. Adrian Estwick, Director of Agriculture - Mr. Brian Crichlow, Assistant Director — Agriculture Services - Dr. Kanyuira Gikonyo, Veterinary Officer II - Mr. Telford Miller, Senior Agricultural Officer - Mr. Raymond Coleman, Agronomist - Ms Joan Steer, Plant Protection Officer - Mr. Ronald Green, Senior Animal Health and Welfare Officer - Miss Ceita Christian, Financial Administrator - Mr. Franklin Hinds, Farmer Superintendent	Not open to the public	Hard Copy and Electronic Copies are stored at the Department of Agriculture.

## Frequently asked questions

Frequently asked questions and answers will be published in the near future on the Department of Agriculture's website

# STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

#### Governance

- The Animals Law (2003 Revision)
- The Animals Law (1999 Revision) Animals (Exportation, Importation, Protection and Control) Regulations (2004 Revision)
- The Animals Law (1996 Revision) The Animals (Restrictions on Riding) Order (1996 Revision)
- Animals Law (1996 Revision) Animals (Disposal) Regulations, 1997
- Animals Law (1999 Revision) Animals (Prohibited Dogs) Regulations (2004) Revision)
- Veterinary Law (1997 Revision)
- The Veterinary Regulations (1998 Revision)
- The Plants (Importation and Exportation) Law (29 of 1983) (1997 Revision)
- The Endangered Species Protection and Propagation Law (1999 Revision)
- The Endangered Species (Trade and Transport) Law, 2004 (Law 14 of 2004)
- Public Management and Finance Law (2003 Revision)
- Public Service Management law, 2005 (Law 27 of 2005) Personnel Regulations, 2006
- The Plant (Importation and Exportation) (Fees) Regulation 2009

## **Corporate management**

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http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1591697&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

Documents Location

•	Farmers Registration	Agency Office
•	Animal License Registration	Agency Office
•	Livestock Population	Agency Office
•	Tuna Importation Log	Agency Office
•	Toothfish Importation Log	Agency Office
•	Pest List	Agency Office

- Goods Seized and Detained
- Inspection Checklist Summary Electronic
- Interceptions
- Snails and Slugs Collection
- Aggregate Importation Log
- Animal Rescue Shelter Visitor List Agency Office

Plans for business continuity, hazard management and disaster recovery

•	Hurricane Preparedness Plan	Agency Office
•	Business Interruption and Continuity Plan	Agency Office

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

#### Financial management

Documents relating to the administration of the authority's monetary resources – including projected and actual income and expenditure; tendering; procurement; and contracts.

#### **Annual budget**

http://www.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/CIGHOME/FIND/ORGANISATIONS/AZAGENCIES/PFE/THEBUDGET/20102011/153571%202010-11%20ANNUAL%20BUDGET%20STATEMENT.PDF

Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures

- Month-End Cut-Off Dates for Drafts/Wire Transfers
- Month-End Procedures & Cabinet Billing Instructions
- CI Gov't Pay Dates (payroll done in accordance)
- Ministry of DAWL&A Output Group Codes
- Fixed Assets & Inventory Counts: Year End Procedures
- IRIS Approval Limits
- Changes to Royal Online Gold (wire transfers)
- Procedures for Receipt of Cabinet Funding
- Fixed Assets Procurement Details
- Batch Control Cover Sheet
- Draft Requisition

- Draft Cancellations Request
- RBC Draft Re-Deposit
- Wire Transfer Requisition
- Inter-Office Requisitions (Local & Overseas)
- Request for Creation of New Vendor (IRIS)
- Fixed Asset Purchasing Form
- Permission for Users to Create Draft/Wires (RBC Online Gold)

#### Board members allowances and expenses

Compensation for Board Members is filed according to vendor in the Accounts Unit

List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; Recently-awarded contracts

A1 Janitorial & Lawn Services

- Department of Agriculture Main Office, located at John Bothwell Building
- Animal Rescue Shelter, located at Agricola Drive, Lower Valley
- Airport Office, located at Owen Roberts International Airport, George Town
- Agricultural Health Inspection Services Office, located at Customs Cargo Facility, George Town Grand Cayman
- Feed and Fertilizer Storage Building, Lower Valley

The total amount for the Agreements is **CI\$2,200.00** per month.

These Agreements are effective from July 1, 2010 until June 30, 2011.

#### Administration

# Press releases

All Press Releases are posted on the CIG Government Information Systems website.

Job vacancies; career opportunities

 All employment opportunities are advertised on CIG intranet services and in the local news papers.

Staff pay and grading structures

 Staff pay and grading structures are available on the Cayman Islands Government's website

Records management file plan or classification scheme

Department of Agriculture's Record Management File Plan

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Standard Operating Procedures for Abattoir Personnel Safety

- Standard Operating Procedures for all Types of Leave Requests i.e. Vacation Leave, Sick Leave, Compassionate Leave, Bereavement Leave and Compensatory Leave
- Health and Safety Standard Operating Procedures for Veterinary Services Field Staff
- Standard Operating Procedures for Daily POS Closeout, Deposits & Processing
- Standard Operating Procedures for Quarterly General Staff Meetings
- Standard Operating Procedures for Travel Advances & Claims
- Administration Guidelines
- Standard Operating Procedures for Veterinary Services Field Staff
- Personnel Matters for Individual Staff (Confidential)
- Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (Minutes)
- Agricultural Strategic Planning Committee (Minutes)
- Veterinary Board Laws & General File (Minutes)
- Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands & Agriculture Human Resource Management Policies and Procedures Manual
- Public Service Management Law, 2005 (Law 27 of 2005) Personnel Regulations, 2006
- Application to the Veterinary Board for Enrolment as an Animal Health Assistant
- Application for Registration as a Veterinary Surgeon
- Mission Statement and Strategic Goals for DoA
- Job Descriptions Agriculture Staff
- Job Vacancies Wage Earners and Contracted Officers
- Tender Review Committee Janitorial and Gardening Services
- Quarantine Inspection Procedures Manual
- Laboratory Procedures Manual
- Grand Cayman landscaping Guidelines Planning Department 2007X
- Central Planning Authority's Aggregate Policy
- Training Manual for Safe Use and Handling of Pesticide Products
- Internal Complaints Procedure

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Policy proposals; Recommendations; Minutes of meetings; Public consultations

- Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (Minutes)
- Agricultural Strategic Planning Committee (Minutes)
- Veterinary Board Laws & General File (Minutes)

Permits granted or refused (where publication is required by law, enactment or practice)

- Import Permits
- Live Animal Import Permits
- Dog and Cat
- Birds, fish and pocket pets
- All other live animals
- Pet Passports
- Seafood Import Permits
- Plant Import Permits
- Seeds
- Cut flowers and foliage

- Produce
- Live plants
- Balled and burlapped
- Aggregate Import Permits
- Export Permits
- Live Animal Export Permits
- Phytosanitary Certificates

#### LISTS & REGISTERS

- Register of Veterinary Surgeons
- Register of Animal Health Assistants
- Department of Agriculture Capital Asset Register
- Register of Promotional Items
- Register of Dog Licenses
- Summary of task Force Inspections
- Goods Seized and Detained
- Interception
- Snails and Slugs Collection
- Aggregate Importation Log
- Cayman Islands Pesticide Inventory Year 2000
- Cayman Islands Official Plant Pest List
- PHM National Survey Reports 2006
- PHM Rapid Response Reports 2006 to present Grand Cayman
- PHM Rapid Response Reports 2008 to present Cayman Brac
- Plant Health Diagnostic Records (Extension) 1998 to present
- Pest Risk Assessment Reports per quarry with Aggregate laboratory test results

#### **OUR SERVICES**

Guidance notes: leaflets: fact sheets: booklets: newsletters

- Pest and Diseases of Tropical Fruits and Citrus
- Pest and Diseases of Vegetables and Root Crops
- Plant Nutrients
- Biointesive IPM Brochure
- FAQ Lethal Yellowing Brochure
- Good Production Practice Brochure
- Grow Box Brochure
- Mango Anthracnose Brochure
- Pesticide Brochure
- Seedlings and Herbs Brochure
- Toxic Plants for Grazing Animals
- Caseous Lymphadentitis Brochure
- Liver Fluke Pamphlet
- AgroScope
- Pink Hibiscus Mealybug Campaign
- Travel Alert Giant African Snail
- Five Freedoms Brochure

- Chicken Brochure
- Children's Activity Booklets
- Artificial Insemination of Cattle Brochure
- Raising Broiler Chickens Brochure
- Ficus White Fly Brochure

Programmes; Projects; Campaigns; Ceremonies; Events

- Safe Use and Handling of Pesticide Products Training Course
- Integrated Pest Management Training Course
- Fencing Programme
- Plant Decoration Programme
- Land Clearing Programme
- Sales of Agricultural Items
- Annual Agricultural Show

Inspecting; Investigating; Monitoring; Regulating

Researching; Advising; Training; Scholarships; Subsidies

Licensing; Applications; Registering

- Protocol for the Importation of Aggregate
- Protocol for the Importation of Plant Products from Jamaica
- Protocol for the Importation of Plants
- Request for Carcass Break-up Service
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Dogs and Cats into the Cayman Islands
- Import Health requirement of the Cayman islands for Cattle (Male Bovine over nine months of age) Exported from the United States
- Import Health Requirements of the Cayman Islands for Cattle (Female and Immature males) exported from the United States
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Bovine Semen into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation and Use of West Nile Virus Vaccines into the Cayman Islands Animals Law (Law 8 of 1976)
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Horses into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Captive Caged Birds into the Cayman Islands
- Agreement between Jamaica and the Cayman Islands Regarding the Protocol for the Importation of Plant and Plant Products from Jamaica
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Captive Cage Birds Hatching Eggs into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Poultry and Hatching Eggs into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation Goats into the Cayman Islands for Slaughter
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Goats and Sheep into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Turtles and Tortoises into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation of *Trachemys scripta elegans* (Red-Eared Slider) into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Farmed Crocodiles into the Cayman Islands
- Steps for Exporting Animals from the Cayman Islands

- Requirements for the Importation of Meat and Meat Products into the Cayman Islands from the United States of America
- Guidelines for the Importation of Seafood from Central and South America
- Guidelines for the Importation of Seafood for Personal Use
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Skins, Trophies and Miscellaneous Products of Animal Origin into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Hamsters, Gerbils, Guinea Pigs and Chinchillas into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Pet Rabbits into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Inter-Island Movement of Livestock (including Horses)
- Application for the Importation of Tropical Aquarium Fish and other Aquatic Species
- Conditions Governing the Housing, Husbandry and Keeping of Marine Mammals in the Cayman Islands
- Application for the Importation of Living Organisms
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Honey Bees (worker bees, queen bees and drones), Broodcombs, Honey Bee Semen and Used Bee Keeping Equipment into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Live Ornamental Salt Water Fish and Marine Organisms into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Koi and Carp (Cyprinus carpio) into the Cayman Islands
- Standard Operating Procedures for the Butterfly Farm, Cayman Islands
- Application to Import Butterfly Pupae (Lepidoptera spp.) into the Cayman Islands (Animals Law (Law 8 of 1976)
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Tropical Aquarium fish and other Aquatic Species into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions Governing the Importation of Live Tilapia (*Oreochromis spp.*) Fish, Fry, Eggs or Gametes into the Cayman Islands
- Conditions the Importation of Plants into the Cayman Islands: the Plants (Importation and Exportation) Law
- Application for Plant Import Permit
- Addendum to Plant Import Permit Prohibitive Plant Products
- Protocol for the Importation of Live Plants from Cuba
- CI DoA Task Force Inspection Costing Record
- Aggregate Inspection Form
- AHIS Daily Inspection Checklist Form
- Checklist Plant Inspection Site
- Checklist Visits to AHIS Office
- Form C for Spray Treatment Charges
- Inspection Report Form
- Notification of Plant Pest Interception
- Quarantine Notice Form
- RPM Survey Form
- Seizure Form
- Application for Permit to Import Meat and Meat Products

#### Forms

- Credit Line Application
- Mating Programme Admission Cattle and Goats
- Sweet Potato Evaluation
- Plant Propagation

- Surrender Form
- Impounded Animal Release Form
- Euthanasia Consent Form
- Notice of Impounding Form
- Animal Law Notice
- Improvement Notice
- Personnel Forms available at PoCS Website

All records listed in the above publication scheme can be obtained in accordance with the Freedom of Information Law by requesting them from the Agency.

# The Cayman Islands Mosquito Research & Control Unit (MRCU) Publication Scheme

# Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice

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# 1. About the publication scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the MRCU to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

#### The MRCU will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The MRCU will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the MRCU, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted<sup>1</sup> form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the MRCU's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at <a href="https://www.gov.ky/mrcu">www.gov.ky/mrcu</a>. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact MRCU Head Office at 345 949 2557.

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email Mrs Janet MacMillan (FOI manager) at foi.mrc@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### <u>Phone</u>

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call 345 949 2557 to request information.

# **Post**

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

PO Box 486, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

# Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact the FOI Manager at 345 949 2557.

The MRCU will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the MRCU is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The MRCU strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications which the MRCU offers for sale such as copies of MRCU laws and regulations. These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

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contact details and any preference for how to receive the information (e.g. inspection, photocopies). You don't have to give a reason why you want the information or explicitly state that it is a Freedom of Information request. However, your request should be as specific as possible in describing the information you need. Remember that MRCU may not be able to respond to a vague request or a voluminous request if it may unreasonably divert the available resources of MRCU. Specific requests will help you get what you want, so try to provide as much information as possible: what kind of document is it, what format is the information in, what date or year was it produced.

You can ask for any information held by MRCU. This includes computerised records, emails, maps, audio-visual recordings, etc. You may also ask to have copies of documents or to view or listen to the record. MRCU, however, does not have to provide information that is already in the public domain (e.g. that has been published in the MRCU Annual Report or is available online or at the library). Also, it should be noted that a public authority does not have to create a document that does not already exist to fulfill your request, but it may be required to compile information in its possession. Your right to information will be subject to exemptions detailed in the Law.

# 6. Complaints

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The MRCU is part of the Ministry District Administration, Works & Gender Affairs (DAW&GA). If you are dissatisfied with way MRCU deals with your complaint about its publication scheme you can complain to the Ministry in the following ways "

- In person at the Ministry of District Administration, Planning, Agriculture & Housing (4th Floor, Government Administration Building)
- By telephone (345) 949-7900 ext. 2412
- In writing to:

Mr. Kearney Gomez

Permanent Secretary

Ministry of District Administration

Planning, Agriculture & Housing

Government Administration Building

71A Elgin Ave

Grand Cayman KY1-9000

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■ By email: <a href="mailto:concerns.DAPAH@gov.ky">concerns.DAPAH@gov.ky</a>

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# **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Mosquito Research & Control Unit

# Ministry

District Administration, Works & Gender Affairs (DAW&GA)

4th Floor, Government Administration Building 71A Elgin Ave, George Town Grand Cayman

Tel: (345) 949-7900, Ext. 2412

Fax:(345) 949-2922

Email: Ministry. DAPAH@gov.ky

Website: www.dapah.gov.ky

# **Principle officer**

Dr William Petrie, Director MRCU,

Email william.petrie@gov.ky

Information manager

Mrs Janet MacMillan foi.mrc@gov.ky

Freedom of Information website www.foi.gov.ky

# **Organisation and functions**

To suppress mosquito populations so as to minimise discomfort from mosquito biting and protect residents and visitors from mosquito-borne diseases, and thereby, to enhance the quality of life for people in the community and promote the economy of the Cayman Islands. To conduct a range of mosquito control operations designed to prevent the hatching of mosquito eggs into aquatic stages, impede the emergence of adult mosquitoes from larval forms and to reduce the numbers of biting mosquitoes.

To minimise the introduction of exotic disease-vector mosquitoes into the Cayman Islands, and prevent local outbreaks of mosquito-transmitted diseases.

To employ a variety of non-chemical and chemical control techniques, and to maintain an active and innovative research program, to ensure that mosquito control in the Cayman Islands keeps up-to-date with scientific advances and current with the highest professional standards.

Mailing address PO Box 486 GT Telephone number949 2557 Fax number949 8912 Email address foi.mrc@gov.ky Website address www.gov.ky/mrcu

Location and hours	Matters handled
MRCU main office and Operations Building 99 Red Gate Road, George Town Grand Cayman. Office hours 8:30 5:00 pm Mon- Fri.	Ground control operations Grand Cayman Disease Prevention Research & Development Personnel and record Keeping
MRCU Sister Islands.The Bluff, Cayman Brac Office hours 8:30 5:00 pm Mon- Fri	Ground Control operations for Little Cayman and Cayman Brac
MRCU Hangar : Airport Grand Cayman Office hours 8:30 5:00 pm Mon- Fri	Aerial control operations

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# Frequently asked questions

# How fast can mosquitoes fly?

Depending upon the species, mosquitoes can fly at about 1 to 1.5 miles per hour.

# How far can mosquitoes fly?

Mosquito species preferring to breed around the house, like the Asian Tiger Mosquito, have limited flight ranges of about 300 feet. Most species have flight ranges of 1-3 miles. Certain large pool breeders in the Midwest are often found up to 7 miles from known breeding spots. The undisputed champions, though, are the saltmarsh breeders - having been known to migrate up to 100 miles in exceptional circumstances, although 20 to 40 miles are much more common when hosts are scarce. When caught up in updrafts that direct them into winds high above the ground, mosquitoes can be carried great distances.

# How much do they weigh?

Smaller species found around houses commonly weigh about 2.5 milligrams. Our largest species weigh in at a whopping 10 milligrams.

## How much blood does a mosquito take in a meal?

When feeding to repletion, mosquitoes imbibe anywhere from 0.001 to 0.01 milliliter.

#### Why do mosquitoes feed on blood?

Female mosquitoes imbibe blood so that their eggs can mature prior to laying. It serves no nourishment function. Males do not take blood meals at all. In order to obtain energy, both male and female mosquitoes feed upon plant nectars - much in the same manner as honeybees.

# What good do mosquitoes do?

Mosquitoes fill a variety of niches which nature provides. As such, placing a value on their existence is generally inappropriate. Although the fossil record is incomplete, they have been known from the Cretaceous Period (about 100 million years ago) in North America. Their adaptability has made them extraordinarily successful, with upwards of 2,700 species worldwide. Mosquitoes serve as food sources for a variety of organisms but are not crucial to any predator species.

#### How long do mosquitoes live?

Lifespan vary by species. Most adult female mosquitoes live 2-3 weeks. Some species that over-winter in garages, culverts and attics can live as long as 6 months.

#### If mosquitoes were eradicated, how would this affect the ecosystem?

Given that Nature abhors a vacuum, other species will fill the niches vacated by the

mosquitoes after an initial shuffling period of variable length. Be advised, though, that species replacing mosquitoes may be even worse - it's extremely difficult to predict. Mosquitoes' ability to adapt to changing environments would make them all but impossible to eradicate.

# How high do mosquitoes fly?

In general, mosquitoes that bite humans prefer to fly at heights of less than 25 ft. Asian Tiger Mosquitoes have been found breeding in treeholes over 40 feet above ground. In Singapore, they have been found in apartments 21 stories above ground. Mosquitoes have been found breeding up to 8,000 feet in the Himalayas and 2000 feet underground in mines in India.

# Can mosquitoes transmit AIDS?

Many studies have been conducted on this issue in the United States and abroad. To my knowledge, there has never been a successful transfer of the virus from an infected source to another host by bloodfeeding insects under experimental conditions. The experts have concluded that the insects are not capable of such transmission. Many biological reasons would lead one to this same conclusion, but the extensive experimental studies are the most powerful evidence for the conclusion.

- 1. **HIV DOES NOT** replicate in mosquitoes. Thus, mosquitoes cannot be a biological vector as they are for malaria, yellow fever, or dengue. In fact, mosquitoes digest the virus that causes AIDS.
- 2. There is no possibility of mechanical transmission (i.e., flying contaminated syringes); even though we all know that HIV can be transmitted by dirty needles. However, the amount of "blood" on a mosquitoes' mouth parts is tiny compared to what is found on a "dirty" needle. Thus, the risk is proportionally smaller. Calculations based on the mechanical transmission of anthrax and Rift Valley fever virus, both of which produce very high titers in blood, unlike HIV, showed that it would take about 10,000,000 mosquitoes that first fed on a person with AIDS and then continued feeding on a susceptible person to get 1 transmission.
- 3. Mosquitoes are not flying hypodermic needles. Mosquitoes regurgitate saliva into the bite wound (the normal route for disease transmission) through a separate tube from that through which it imbibes blood.

# Which mosquitoes transmit WNV?

At least 43 species of mosquitoes have been found infected with the West Nile. Not all of these, however, are capable of maintaining the virus in such a manner as to permit them to transmit it among organisms. Many of these infected mosquitoes feed only upon birds, thus contributing to a cycling of the virus among avian populations. Other species feed upon these infective birds and then will feed upon mammals, including humans. These are called "bridge vectors" because they serve as a conduit for the virus to travel from its reservoir in birds to its final host in humans or other mammals. In urban settings, Culex pipiens is usually the primary vector. In rural areas, particularly in the

western part of the United States, Culex tarsalis is the primary transmitter. As control measures for each of these mosquitoes are considerably different, it's important to know which is known to be in your area. Contact your local mosquito abatement district or the Technical Advisor of the American Mosquito Control Association (904-215-3008) for information regarding the mosquitoes found in your area.

# What attracts mosquitoes to me?

Why some people seem to be more attractive than others to mosquitoes is the subject of much repellent (and attractant for traps) research being conducted nationwide. Carbon dioxide is the most universally recognized mosquito attractant and draws mosquitoes from up to 35 meters. When female mosquitoes sense carbon dioxide they usually adopt a zigzagging flight path within the plume to locate its source. Once in the general vicinity of a potential host, other cues predominate, including body odors (sweat, lactic acid, etc.) and heat. Odors produced by skin microflora also play a part in inducing the mosquito to land. Over 350 compounds have been isolated from odors produced by human skin. Either singly or in combination, many of these compounds may be attractants - and many may be repellents. As you can see, the situation is complicated and will require many years of testing before it can be sorted out. Visual stimuli, such as movement, also factor into host-seeking. What can be safely stated, though, is that ingestion of garlic, vitamin B12 and other systemics has been proven in controlled laboratory studies to have no impact on mosquito biting. Conversely, eating bananas did not attract mosquitoes as the myth suggests, but wearing perfumes does. People drinking beer have been shown to be more attractive to mosquitoes. Limburger cheese has also been found to be attractive. Scientists have theorized that this may explain the attractancy some mosquitoes find for human feet.

# Which repellent works best?

N,N-diethyl-3-methylbenzamide (DEET) remains the standard by which all other repellents are judged. DEET was developed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and was registered for use by the general public in 1957. It is effective against mosquitoes, biting flies, chiggers, fleas, and ticks. Over 25 years of empirical testing of more than 20,000 other compounds has not resulted in another marketed chemical product with the duration of protection and broad-spectrum effectiveness of DEET although the recent additions of picaridin and oil of lemon eucalyptus are remarkably close in effectiveness to DEET. The American Academy of Pediatrics says that all family members over the age of two months can use DEET-based repellents with up to 30% concentration with confidence.

DEET-based repellents have been around for more than 50 years but that hasn't kept the folks who make these products from innovating with new fragrances, new formulations, new product types, and, best of all, products that feel nice when applied. The DEET-based repellent fragrances are pleasant to use and range from fruity to woodsy neutral scents. Unscented products have a slight alcohol odor (there's alcohol in the formulation) until they dry on the skin. Folks who tend to be allergic to fragrances should try the unscented products.

Today's products start out at a concentration of 5% (lasts 90 minutes or so) and range

up to 100% (for approximately 10 hours of protection from bites). Pick one that matches your activity. For an outdoor family barbecue in the evenings, a 10% product is fine. It will help protect from bites for approximately 90 minutes to two hours. Products are available in aerosols, pump sprays, lotions, creams and even towelettes. These are individually packaged and are also sold in a handy plastic container that allows the towelettes to pop up one at a time. There are water resistant and water repellent products. One brand uses a microencapsulation process that helps the DEET release over time after you have applied it. Another goes on dry from an aerosol can, just as powder antiperspirants do.

For those who are in tick country, it's important to use a product with at least a 20% concentration. Lower concentrations of all EPA-registered repellents are not effective at warding off ticks.

Most apparent repellency failures with DEET are due to misapplications, so care should be taken to apply it thoroughly (avoiding the eyes and mucous membranes) and to reapply when necessary. This is crucial to maintain the DEET vapor barrier above the skin. New polymerized 30% DEET cream formulations provide excellent protection not significantly exceeded by higher DEET concentrations. Physicians recommend that a formulation of no more than 10% DEET be used on children, but formulations of over 30% can be used in areas of high disease incidence if label directions are followed.

In April of 2005, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) began recommending two new active ingredients as safe, effective repellents.

The first of these is picaridin, a synthetic developed by Bayer Corporation in the 1980s. This repellent is the most widely used repellent in the world outside of the United States and is marketed as Cutter Advanced. Picaridin is odorless, has a pleasant feel and doesn't plasticize like DEET. Studies have shown it to be as fully repellent to mosquitoes as DEET and can also be applied on infants as young as 2 months. The 15% picaridin formulation, Cutter Advanced Sport, is also an effective repellent for ticks.

The other repellent, often the choice of those wanting a natural product, is oil of lemoneucalyptus, sold as Repel®. Repel is a 40% formulation of naturally-derived eucalyptus and has a pleasant scent and feel without any plasticizing properties. It is also effective at repelling ticks.

# How do mosquitoes get into my house?

Mosquitoes are singularly adept at entering houses through any portal available, be it through broken window or door screens, attic soffits or through bathroom exhaust vents. A favorite resting spot is the garage, so take care to keep resting female mosquitoes from coming into the house through the garage.

# What can homeowners do to reduce mosquito bites?

If possible, schedule your activities to avoid the times when mosquitoes are most active - usually dawn and dusk. You should also dress in light, loose-fitting clothing. If you

have a deck, light it using General Electric yellow "Bug Lights". These lights are not repellant, per se, but do not attract mosquitoes like other incandescent lights. Mosquitoes are relatively weak fliers, so placing a large fan on your deck can provide a low-tech solution. Citronella candles have a mild repellent effect, but do not offer significantly more protection than other candles producing smoke.

# Are backyard misting systems effective?

Scheduled sprays used by these misters may needlessly broadcast pesticides into the environment, affecting mosquitoes and non-target insects alike. Modern mosquito control strategies emphasize an integrated approach, based upon a profound knowledge of the target, so that's its various vulnerabilities can be exploited by the many tools we've developed for that purpose. Effective mosquito control requires continual survey of adult mosquito densities to determine if certain triggers for control are met. This reduces the use of adulticides to only those times when they are required.

# Do Bug-Zappers Work?

Black light insect electrocution devices (Bug Zappers, etc.) are purchased in huge quantities by homeowners due to their demonstrated ability to attract and kill thousands of insects over a 24 hr. period. One industry representative estimates that over 1.75 million of these devices are purchased annually in the U.S. But do they really control pest insects? Bug zappers do indeed kill some mosquitoes. However, the only two controlled studies conducted to date by independent investigators at the University of Notre Dame showed that mosquitoes comprised merely 4.1% and 6.4% respectively of the daily catch over an entire season. Even more important was the finding in both studies that there was no significant difference in the number of mosquitoes found in yards with or without bug zappers. What is particularly disconcerting, however, is the number of non-pest insects that comprise the vast majority of trap catch. Many of these insects are beneficial predators on other insect pests. They in turn constitute a major part of the diet of many songbirds. Indeed, reduced numbers of moth and beetle prey species have contributed significantly to the decline of songbird populations in many affluent suburbs. Insect electrocution devices undoubtedly bear some responsibility for this phenomenon. Mosquitoes continue to be more attracted to humans than to the devices. One study conducted in homeowners' backyards showed that of the insects killed by these devices, only 0.13% were female mosquitoes. An estimated 71 billion to 350 billion beneficial insects may be killed annually in the United States by these electrocuting devices.

#### Do Ultrasonic devices work?

At least 10 studies in the past 15 years have unanimously denounced ultrasonic devices as having no repellency value whatsoever. Yet, consumers flock in droves to hardware stores to purchase these contraptions. Why? The discovery that mosquitoes locate mates in mating swarms via wing beat frequency generated a great deal of research into ultrasound as a potential source of environmentally-friendly control. Yet, all attempts to affect mosquito behavior by ultrasound have fizzled, despite enormous amounts of money spent upon research and development. To be sure, the clever, high-

tech, and imperceptible (by humans) use of ultrasound proved to be an exceedingly effective marketing tool for the repeller manufacturers. Homeowners were urged to buy ultrasonic repellers and the like to rid their houses of pests without the need to inhale "even one breath of poisonous spray". This appeal to the public's chemophobia, while extremely effective in diverting attention away from proven preventive and control measures (and toward their repeller products), has undermined an unbiased review of the subject by consumers desperate for a clean, effective, nonchemical means of mosquito control. Unfortunately, no such miracle cure exists. A pioneering study testing five different ultrasonic devices against four mosquito species convincingly demonstrated that ultrasound in the 20-70 kHz range used by these devices had no effect on reorienting flight by female mosquitoes either toward or away from human subjects. Additional tests have shown that sound generators capable of a wide range of frequencies were also ineffective in repelling mosquitoes. The fact is that these devices just do not work - marketing claims to the contrary.

# Do mosquito traps work?

An enormous amount of consumer interest has been generated by the marketing of new devices designed to attract, then either trap or kill, mosquitoes. The general idea is to reduce the number of questing mosquitoes that would otherwise be afflicting the homeowner. Many products even claim to significantly reduce or even collapse local mosquito populations by decreasing the number of egg-laying females through their capture. All of these traps utilize some form of attractant that lures the host-seeking female mosquitoes to a capture or killing device. In some cases, mosquitoes are captured via an impellor fan that suctions them into a net, where they desiccate while other trapping systems use a sticky surface to which the mosquitoes adhere when they land. Still others utilize an electric grid to electrocute mosquitoes drawn into contact. These are not set-and-forget devices. Each requires some level of maintenance, i.e. propane tanks need replacement, capture nets need emptying, adhesive boards require replacement and grids require cleaning to ensure their continued effectiveness, particularly in areas of high catch. The process of a mosquito questing for a blood meal involves a complex, interconnected cascade of behaviors, each probably having its own cues, be they visual, thermal, or olfactory. The complexity of these questing behaviors may account for the bewildering variations in trapping efficiency noted for certain species of mosquitoes at different times, seasons and places. With 174 species of mosquitoes currently recognized in the United States, this is no small issue and will require many years before research can provide a clarification. There is some anecdotal evidence that these baited traps, indeed, capture more females of some species than others, depending, to some extent, on the concentration of carbon dioxide emitted and the mosquito species present. There may also be seasonal and circadian variables that affect mosquito responses to certain attractants. Nonetheless, these devices will trap and kill measurable numbers of mosquitoes. Whether this will produce a noticeable reduction in the mosquito population in each case will depend upon a number of factors, e.g. individual tolerance level, absolute mosquito population size, proximity, size and type of breeding habitat producing re-infestation, wind velocity and direction, and species of mosquito present, and others. Thus, the homeowner must still use repellents and practice source reduction methods as adjuncts to realize any measure of relief.

Please be cautioned against putting too much faith in traps as your sole means of control. These traps represent an evolving technology that is a most welcome addition to our mosquito control armamentarium. Their potential is great, but shouldn't be overestimated. It's highly unlikely that these devices, whatever their improvements, will ever fully supplant organized community-wide mosquito control programs, for there is no single silver bullet that will prove to be the ultimate answer to mosquito problems.

# Do bats serve as an effective mosquito control?

Recently the public has shown increased interest in the value of insectivorous species of bats in controlling mosquitoes. Although untested lately, this is not a new idea. During the 1920's several bat towers were constructed near San Antonio. Texas, in order to help control malarial mosquitoes. Mosquito populations were not affected and the project was discontinued. Bats in temperate areas of the world are almost exclusively insectivorous. Food items identified in their diet are primarily beetles, wasps, and moths. Mosquitoes have comprised less than 1% of gut contents of wild caught bats in all studies to date. Bats tend to be opportunistic feeders. They do not appear to specialize on particular types of insects, but will feed on whatever food source presents itself. Large, concentrated populations of mosquitoes could provide adequate nutrition in the absence of alternative food. However, a moth provides much more nutritional value per capture than a mosquito. M.D. Tuttle, a world authority on bats, is often quoted for his anecdotal report that bats effectively controlled mosquito populations at a popular resort in New York State. While there is no doubt that bats have probably played a visible, if not prominent, role in reducing the mosquito problems in many areas, the natural abatement of mosquito populations is an extremely complex process to study, comprising poorly known ecological relationships. Tuttle attempts to underscore the bats role by citing an experiment in which bats released into a laboratory room filled with mosquitoes caught up to 10 mosquitoes per minute. He extrapolated this value to 600 mosquitoes per hour. Thus, a colony of 500 bats could consume over a quarter of a million mosquitoes per hour. Impressive numbers indeed, but singularly unrealistic when based upon a study where bats were confined in a room with mosquitoes as their only food source. There is no question that bats eat mosquitoes, but to utilize them as the sole measure of control would be folly indeed, particularly considering the capacity of both mosquitoes and bats to transmit diseases.

# **How do MRCU control mosquitoes?**

The integrated mosquito management methods currently employed by MRCU are comprehensive and specifically tailored to safely counter each stage of the mosquito life cycle. Larval control through water management and source reduction, where compatible with other land management uses, is a prudent pest management alternative - as is use of the environmentally friendly EPA-approved larvicides currently available. When source elimination or larval control measures are clearly inadequate, or in the case of imminent disease, the EPA and CDC have emphasized in a published joint statement the need for considered application of adulticides by certified applicators trained in the special handling characteristics of these products.

A successful mosquito management program should include the following elements:

- 1. larval and adult mosquito sampling;
  - 2. source reduction;
- 3. biological control using native or introduced predators and parasites of mosquitoes,
  - 4. larviciding and adulticiding, when indicated by surveillance;
    - 5. resistance monitoring;
  - 6. disease surveillance in mosquitoes, birds, horses and humans, and
    - 7. public education.

# Are pesticides used in mosquito control safe?

Since its inception, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has regulated mosquito control through enforcement of standards instituted by the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act. This legislation mandated documentation of extensive testing for public health insecticides according to EPA guidelines prior to their registration and use. These data requirements are among the most stringent in the federal government and are met through research by established scientists in federal, state and private institutions. This process costs a registrant several million dollars per product, but ensures that the public health insecticides available for mosquito control do not represent health or environmental risks when used as directed. Indeed, the five or six adulticides currently available are the selected survivors of literally hundreds of products developed for these uses over the years. The dosages at which these products are legally dispensed are at least 100-fold less than the point at which public health and environmental safety merit consideration. In point of fact, literature posted on the websites of the EPA Office of Pesticide Programs, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators and National Pesticide Information Center emphasizes that proper use of mosquitocides by established mosquito control agencies does not put the general public or the environment at unreasonable risk from runoff, leaching or drift when used according to label specifications. (For the federal government's position on risks associated with mosquito control insecticides, visit http://www.epa.gov/pesticides).

The safety profiles of public health insecticides are undergoing increasing scrutiny because of concerns with how the specialized application technology and product selection protect the exposed public and environment. In fact, well over 200 peer-reviewed scientific studies in various national and international refereed journals since 1980 have documented the safety and efficacy of these public health insecticides at label rates in addition to their application techniques.

How do mosquito districts avoid spraying chemically-sensitive persons?

Organized mosquito control agencies often go to extraordinary lengths to accommodate

individuals who, for varying reasons, prefer their property not be sprayed with approved public health insecticides. When surveys indicate the need for adult sprays, they are approved, planned and conducted with special regard to the concerns of chemically sensitive persons. Personal notification of chemically-sensitive individuals of spray times in addition to using Global Positioning Systems (GPS)/Global Information Systems (GIS) technology to reduce the likelihood of drift over unauthorized areas are but a few of the means utilized to ensure mosquito control serves the entire public spectrum. Should you desire that your property not be sprayed, please notify your local district.

# Do mosquito sprays affect animals other than mosquitoes?

The extremely small droplet aerosols utilized in adult mosquito control are designed to impact primarily on adult mosquitoes that are on the wing at the time of the application. Degradation of these small droplets is rapid, leaving little or no residue in the target area at ground level. These special considerations are major factors that favor the use of very low application rates for these products, generally less then 4 grams active ingredient per acre, and are instrumental in minimizing adverse impacts.

# **History**

The Mosquito Research & Control Unit (MRCU) was established in 1965 when Marco Giglioli arrived from the ODM London with instructions 'to establish a laboratory and conduct research with a view to advising the Cayman Government on suitable methods of control'. However, the Cayman Government insisted on actual control attempts having a high priority right from the start. The first vehicle mounted Tifa Todd thermal fogging machine was in operation by the 1966 mosquito season. Initial mosquito control efforts were concentrated on the Georgetown area and were very successful. Windrows of dead mosquitoes were reported in the streets each morning. Fogging machines increased in number to nine by 1969, mostly mounted on Mini Mokes, using malathion diluted in diesel oil.

Mosquito densities were high enough in those days to warrant fogging well past the dusk peak period and Giglioli solved the problem of staff and funding for his work by forming a corps of volunteer foggers. Many Cayman citizens, led by Captain Theo Bodden, gave large amounts of their free time in the service of mosquito control. As mosquito numbers diminished and other control methods came into operation, and the number of fogging machines was reduced and replaced by ultra-low-volume (ULV) sprayers. ULV sprayers are easier to operate and less of a hazard to the traffic in Grand Cayman. From the beginning, Giglioli was keen to attempt mosquito control by physicals means. He believed that by manipulating the swamp water levels mosquito breeding could be disrupted and as a result lead to permanent reductions in mosquito numbers.

Dyke building through the swamp began in 1967, and over the years the network of canals and dykes has grown until by 1983 when most mangrove areas around North Sound were divided into sections in which water levels could be manipulated. The creation of a more dynamic water-level regime has considerably reduced the ability of Aedes taeniorhynchus to breed in large numbers and it has become difficult to find larvae in areas historically known to produce enormous broods. The early and rapid success of the fogging program indicated that if insecticide could be applied over the huge areas of inaccessible swamp an enormous reduction in mosquitoes could result. This was tested in 1971 with a Cessna Ag-Wagon aircraft spraying malathion and proved to be extremely successful.

Much experimental work was then carried out by Giglioli and MRCU pilot J.F. Lesieur to determine the most effective and economic formulation of malathion and obtain the optimal droplet size from the Micronair atomisers with which the aircraft were equipped. Aerial spraying began to be used on a large scale in 1972 when most of Grand Cayman was treated repeatedly and unprecedented reductions in mosquito numbers resulted. Although the equipment and insecticides currently used by MRCU may be different to those applied during the early days of mosquito control in Grand Cayman, the principles on which the control strategy is based remain similar to those established by Giglioli in the 1960s and 1970s.

MRCU provides mosquito control on the Sister Islands through the Mosquito Control Unit on Cayman Brac. This Unit operates in a similar way to MRCU on Grand Cayman. Cayman Brac operates a number of truck mounted ground fogger units, carries out Port Disinsection and Aedes aegypti monitoring. On Little Cayman there is a single truck mounted ground fogger unit, Port Disinsection as required and limited Aedes aegypti monitoring.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

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- To increase the overall efficiency of the Aircraft Section and the Sister Islands Section by constructing, respectively, a new aircraft hangar providing much needed pesticide storage, workshop space, and hangar capacity for both aircraft and a new MRCU facility in Cayman Brac.
- To significantly improve mosquito control methods through the adoption of a preemptive approach to mosquito control through an ambitious expansion of aerial larviciding, both in terms of location and frequency, thereby preventing mosquito emergence, decreasing the risk of insecticide resistance, and reducing the need for conventional spraying.
- To improve the efficiency and effectiveness of MRCU through a restructuring of the organisation.
- To improve the productivity and effectiveness of the Department's research programme through the expansion and development of the Science Group, enabling the development of a vibrant scientific research programme.
- Improve the present Insecticide Resistance Management Strategy by utilising new laboratory techniques to study insecticide resistance, and improve the earlywarning nature of the programme.
- Improve the disease prevention capability by developing DNA analysis techniques to detect the presence of vector-borne diseases in mosquito populations, with particular emphasis on Dengue Fever, Malaria and West Nile virus.
- Research and develop control methods targeting Grassland Mosquitoes.
- Develop and implement a public education programme to enhance the
  effectiveness of the Department's overall mosquito control strategy by improving
  public awareness of the issues surrounding mosquito control and encouraging
  the involvement of the general public in particular control methods.

Continue to improve application efficiency by applied research in the area of spray droplet dynamics.

#### Governance

MRCU Research activities and control operations are governed by the following legislation\*:.

The Mosquito (Research & Control) Law 1976
Mosquito (Research and Control) Regulations 2002 revision
The Aerial Spraying Protection Law 1974
All laws and Regulations that apply to Cayman Islands Public Sector

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- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- Electronic Transactions Law 2003 revision
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Workmen's Compensation Law (1996 Revision)
- Immigration Law (2006 Revision) and Regulations
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2005 Revision)
- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision) and Regulations
- Customs Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- Marine Conservation (Marine Parks) Regulations (2007 Revision)
- Environmental Health Laws and Regulations
- Other Local Laws and Regulations

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# Corporate management\*

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- Records management file plan or classification scheme

<sup>\*\*</sup> Specialized reports can be created to collate specific information when necessary

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Public Works Department to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Public Works Department will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Public Works Department will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Public Works Department, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted1form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

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Ms. Juliette Frederick Information Manager P.O. Box 10505 Grand Cayman KY1-1005 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

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Email: Juliette.Frederick@gov.ky

Ms. Yanira Dixon Tel: (345) 244-4835

Email: Yanira.Dixon@gov.ky

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#### 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Public Works Department that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing, via email, fax, or by visiting the Public Works Department. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

Send written requests to:

Ms. Juliette Frederick Information Manager Public Works Department 370 North Sound Road P.O. Box 10505 Grand Cayman KY1-1005 Cayman Islands

For requests by email, please forward to foi.pwd@gov.ky

All faxed requests should be sent to the attention of the Information Manager at (345) 949-7731.

# 6. Complaints

The Public Works Department aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Ms. Juliette Frederick at (345)244-4834 or Ms. Yanira Dixon at (345)244-4835, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from our HR Manager, Mrs. Francene Roach, at (345)244-4823 or by collection of a complaints form from our office at 370 North Sound Road, George Town, Grand Cayman.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMANISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
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- Policies & Procedures
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- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Public Works Department

#### Ministry

District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture(DAWL&A)

#### **Principal Officer**

Mr. J. Maxwell Jones Director

#### **Information Manager**

Ms. Juliette Frederick Information Manager P.O. Box 10505 Grand Cayman KY1-1005 Cayman Islands

Direct Line: (345)244-4834

Main Office: (345)949-2547 Email: Juliette.frederick@gov.ky FOI email: foi.pwd@gov.ky

Freedom of Information Website: http://foi.gov.ky

#### **Information Manager - Designate**

Ms. Yanira Dixon

Information Manager Designate

P.O. Box 10505

Grand Cayman KY1-1005

Cayman Islands

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Freedom of Information Website: http://foi.gov.ky

# Organisation and functions

The Public Works Department (PWD) is the Government's principal advisor on matters relating to public buildings and their facilities. The department provides project management, construction management, construction activities, architectural, quantity surveying and MEP consultancy services for building related projects and also the provision of repair and maintenance services to Government properties as requested by fund-holding Client Agencies.

Services are provided using in-house professional staff, project and construction management expertise and direct labour services or by procuring private sector services, on the basis that PWD will be reimbursed for the full cost of its efforts, as aggregated from time recording and project costing systems.

P.O. Box 10505 Grand Cayman KY1-1005

Cayman Islands Tel: (345)949-2547 Fax: (345)949-7731

Facility Maintenance Service Line: (345)244-4838 or PWDHelpDesk@gov.ky

Emergency **Hotline**: (345)916-6694

Location and hours	Matters handled
Public Works Department	<ul> <li>Professional and technical consulting</li> </ul>
370 North Sound Road	services.
George Town	<ul> <li>Public Construction Projects</li> </ul>
Grand Cayman	<ul><li>Maintenance of Buildings</li></ul>
	<ul><li>Emergency Support Services</li></ul>
Regular Hours: 8:30A.M. to 5:00 P.M.	
Emergency Hours: 5.00P.M. to	
8.00A.M.weekdays AND 24hrs.	
weekends & Public Holidays	

# Frequently asked questions

#### What Does PWD do?

The Public Works Department (PWD) is responsible for the design construction and maintenance of Government facilities as well as Disaster preparedness support. Located in a complex on the North Sound Road, the department employs Engineers, Architects, Administrative and Trade staff.

#### How does one gain employment with PWD?

Whenever a job vacancy exists, the department will post advertisements in both the local media and on the Government Intranet.

To apply for a job with the PWD you should mail, email, fax or hand deliver a complete application form and current resume to the department, by the deadline listed on the job advertisement to:

Human Resources
Public Works Department
370 North Sound Road
P.O. Box 10505
Grand Cayman KY1-1005
Cayman Islands

Fax: (345) 949-7731

Email: pwdrecruitment@gov.ky

## If I submit a resume do I still need to complete the government application form?

Yes. The application form includes information that isn't listed on the resume.

#### Who should I contact regarding a post I have applied for?

The Human Resources Manager or Human Resources Executive Officer at (345) 244-4823 or Email pwdrecruitment@gov.ky

#### How can I offer consultancy/Business services to PWD?

PWD is consistently involved in administrative or operational activities requiring the contracting of external services. When this need arises PWD will advertise its invitation of tenders via the local media and on the PWD website. These invitations will outline the process involved in making such bids.

## Who are PWD's clients?

PWD provides services to Ministries, Portfolios, Government Departments, Statutory Authorities, and Government owned companies, approved private sector clients and any other entity that PWD agrees to provide services to. The majority of our activities are located in Grand Cayman and occasionally in the SisterIslands.

#### Can PWD fix my roads?

No. The construction and maintenance of roads is the responsibility of the National Roads Authority (NRA)

#### What is the difference between PWD and NRA?

Initially the Public Works Department consisted of two divisions, namely Roads and Buildings. In July 2004 the Roads division was separated and by an act of government became an authority, now referred to as the National Roads Authority (NRA).

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

The key strategic goals and objectives for the Public Works Department

- 1. To replace ageing vehicles in accordance with DVES's replacement policy. This will increase operational efficiency and effectiveness of the equipment stock; reduce the excessive maintenance costs experienced with ageing vehicles and progressively reduce the rental expenses incurred in replacing units during equipment downtime.
- 2. To improve efficiency and competitiveness with the private sector by reducing crew sizes; currently restricted by number of available vehicles.
- 3. To continue to improve the skills and efficiencies of the PWD work force through training. We will continue the three year training programme, focusing on improved customer service, vocational skills and leadership and management skills.

#### Governance

- Public Accountants Law (2009 Revision) International Public Accounting Standards
- Labour Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- Personnel Regulations (2006)
- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- Electronic Transactions Law 2003 revision
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
- Workmen's Compensation Law (1996 Revision)
- Immigration Law (2009 Revision) and Regulations (2009 Revision)
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2005 Revision)
- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision) and Regulations
- Customs Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- Environmental Health Laws and Regulations

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

# Financial management

- Annual Budget
- Accounting Policies and Procedures
- Contracting Procedures
- List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; Recently-awarded contracts

#### Administration

- Press Releases
- Job Vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records Management file plan

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES\***

- Complaints-Handling Procedures; HR Policies and Procedures
- Finance, Stores & Fleet Policies & Procedures
- Operations and Works Policies and Procedures
- Development & Planning Policies and Procedures
- Information Management Policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)

# **LISTS & REGISTERS**

- Asset Register
- FOI Disclosure Log

#### **OUR SERVICES**

#### **Policy Advice**

1. Policy Advice Policy advice provided to the Hon. Minister & Ministry of District Administration, Works and Gender Affairs on all matters relating to buildings and other / related facilities.

# **Advice and Assistance to Government Agencies**

- Provision of advice and assistance to:
  - a. Fund-holding Client Departments on programmes and non-project specific matters relating to buildings and their related facilities,
  - b. Government Committees and/or Boards of public or private sector organisations, when departmental staff are appointed by Government, in matters relating to buildings, their related facilities and on tendering procedures,

<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

c. Statutory Authorities and Government owned companies on a reimbursable basis on project and non-project specific matters relating to buildings and their facilities.

# **Management of Building Projects**

- 3. Project management and consulting services for the design, construction of new buildings and renovations to existing buildings and their related facilities occupied by fund-holding Client Agencies. Services include the use, where appropriate, of a direct labour organisation and the delivery of the following activities using in-house or private sector resources, as defined in Project SLA's:
  - a. Assist Clients to create a project definition document [PDD] at outset and obtaining master plan approval for project implementation.
  - b. Project management services to ensure that projects are completed on time, within cost and to required specification,
  - c. Designs, costing and contract documentation,
  - d. Tendering and contract award processes,
  - e. Construction management and inspection services, construction and hand-over activities.

#### **Maintenance of Client Facilities**

4. Maintenance of buildings and other facilities occupied by fund-holding Client Agencies in accordance with the Agency SLA and Client / Facility Manager's directions. The services cover all elements of the building and specifically agreed services to the property. Other services may be included as agreed within the framework of the Agency SLA. In the instance of rented or leased facilities, services vary to meet Client needs if not provided by the lease-holder.

The activity also involves the periodic inspection of the property, logging of service requests and issuance of work orders to execute, by in-house or private sector resources, those activities as defined in Agency SLA's.

Agencies that call in requests are responsible for the labour and material expenses incurred.



# Cayman Islands Postal Service Publication Scheme

Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice

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# 1. About the publication scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Cayman Islands Postal Service to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Cayman Islands Postal Service will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;

- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Cayman Islands Postal Service will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Cayman Islands Postal Service, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access:
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# **Online**

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If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at [http://www.caymanpost.gov.ky]. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact <a href="mailto:foi.pos@gov.ky">foi.pos@gov.ky</a>; or FOI Information Manager, Brenda Hydes at 345-949-2474 or Information Manager Alternate, Delcia Solomon at 945-6875.

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Ms Brenda Hydes OR Delcia Solomon
Information Manager Information Manager Alternate
Cayman Islands Postal Service Cayman Islands Postal Service
General Postal Office Airport Post Office
Grand Cayman KY1-1100 Grand Cayman KY1-1000
CAYMAN ISLANDS CAYMAN ISLANDS

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Requests for information must be made in writing and should be submitted via email, post or facsimile.

Emails may be sent to: <u>foi.pos@gov.ky</u>, <u>brenda.hydes@gov.ky</u> or delcia.solomon@gov.ky.

Requests by post should be addressed as follows:

Ms Brenda Hydes OR Delcia Solomon

Information Manager Information Manager Alternate
Cayman Islands Postal Service Cayman Islands Postal Service

General Postal Office Airport Post Office

Grand Cayman KY1-1100 Grand Cayman KY1-1000 CAYMAN ISLANDS CAYMAN ISLANDS

Faxed requests should be submitted as follows:

Ms Brenda Hydes OR Delcia Solomon

Information Manager Information Manager Alternate

(345) 945-1246 (345) 945-6876

Your written request should include the following details:

- 1. A name (a real name is not mandatory; a fake name or pseudonym is acceptable).
- 2. A postal address *and/or* email address to which you want our response to be sent to you. This is also helpful in case the Postal Service needs to contact you to clarify a aspect of your request.
- 3. Details of the records, including if you know, the period and/or geographic area to which the information you are seeking relates; any dates relevant to the information being requested; the name or other identifying characteristics of the document; and,
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Physical address: 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1

George Town, Grand Cayman

Postal address: PO Box 1375

Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: <a href="mailto:appeals@ico.gov.ky">appeals@ico.gov.ky</a>

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# **About Us**

# Name of public authority

Cayman Islands Postal Service

# **Ministry**

Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture

# **Chief Officer**

Mr. Kearney Gomez, MBE, JP Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS

# **Authority Head**

Ms. Sheena Glasgow Postmaster General Cayman Islands Postal Service General Post Office Grand Cayman KY1-1100 CAYMAN ISLANDS

# **Senior Postal Managers**

- FINANCE -- Mrs. Petrona Gordon, Acting Deputy Postmaster General, Finance & Human Resources
- MAIL OPERATIONS Ms. Melissa Martinez-Ebanks, Deputy Postmaster General, Operations
- HUMAN RESOURCES -
- MARKETING Ms. Tara Bush, Assistant Postmaster General, Marketing and New Product Development
- REGULATORY MATTERS Mr. Edward Rasiulis, Assistant Postmaster General, Regulatory and International Relations

# **Information Manager**

Ms Brenda Hydes Information Manager Cayman Islands Postal Service General Postal Office Grand Cayman KY1-1100 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Direct Line: (345)814-6514 Office: (345)949-2474

Email: <a href="mailto:brenda.hydes@gov.ky">brenda.hydes@gov.ky</a>
FOI email: <a href="mailto:foi.pos@gov.ky">foi.pos@gov.ky</a>

Website: http://www.caymanpost.gov.ky

Freedom of Information Website: http://foi.gov.ky

#### Alternate

Delcia Solomon

Information Manager Alternate Cayman Islands Postal Service

General Postal Office Grand Cayman KY1-1000

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Direct Line: (345)814-6470 Office: (345)945-6875

Email: <a href="mailto:delcia.solomon@gov.ky">delcia.solomon@gov.ky</a>

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# **Organisation and Functions**

Every working day, the Cayman Islands Postal Service collects and processes more than 40,000 pieces of mail and delivers them to 11,000 post boxes at 15 Post Offices and 2 Postal Agencies across all three islands. Each postal facility offers a variety of options for our customers – sending and receiving mail, purchase of stamps and the ability to pay for some utility bills, insurance and garbage fees.

# Cayman Islands Postal Service facility locator and telephone directory

DISTRICT	TELEPHONE	OFFICER IN CHARGE
AIRPORT POST OFFICE  136 Dorcy Drive	FAX: 945 6876 EMS: 949 6777 P. Post: 949 2027	Melissa Martinez-Ebanks  Mon - Fri 8:15am - 5:00pm Sat 9:00 am - 12:30pm
BODDEN TOWN 189 Bodden Town Road	947 2250 <b>FAX:</b> 947 4152	Leila Terry Mon – Fri 8:30am – 5:00pm Sat 9:00 am – 12:30pm
EAST END 2599 Sea View Road	947 7546	Laurie Welcome  Mon- Fri  8:30am – 12:00pm  1:00 – 5:00pm  Sat 9:00 am – 12:30pm
GENERAL POST OFFICE  14 Edward Street, George Town	949 2474 949 2104 949 7001 <b>FAX:</b> 945 1246	Sheena Glasgow Postmaster General Mon – Fri 8:15am – 5:00pm Sat 9:00 am – 12:30pm

GUN BAY	947 7537	
587 Austin Connolly Drive		Margarita Bodden
387 Austin Colmony Drive		Mon - Fri
		8:30 – 11:30am
	0.40.44.	2:00 – 4:00pm
HELL	949 1171	Colleen Rivers
93B Hell Road		
		Mon - Fri 8:30am – 5:00pm
		Sat 9:00 am – 12:30pm
NODELL CIDE	947 9551	Sat 7.00 am – 12.30pm
NORTH SIDE	747 7551	Charlene Whittaker
896 North Side Road		Mon - Fri
opo i torni pide itoda		8:00am – 11:00am
		12:30 – 5:00pm
SAVANNAH	947 1518	
	<b>FAX:</b> 947 6841	(Rotating Officers)
1687 Shamrock Road		Mon – Fri
		8:30am – 5:00pm
		Sat 9:00 am – 12:30pm
SEVEN MILE BEACH	949 4177	W. 71. I
		Xiomara Ebanks
West Shore Centre		Mon – Fri 8:30am – 5:00pm
508B West Bay Road		Sat 9:00 am – 12:30pm
		Sat 7.00 am – 12.30pm
PHILATELIC BUREAU	946 4757	
FHILATELIC BUREAU	<b>FAX:</b> 949 4113	Karen McField
West Chara Contro		Mon - Fri
West Shore Centre 508B West Bay Road		8:30am – 5:00pm
300D West Bay Road		Sat CLOSED
WEST BAY	949 3311	
WEST DAT		Nona Anglin-Webster
103 West Church Street		Mon – Fri
		8:30am – 5:00pm
		Sat 9:00 am – 12:30pm
SISTER ISLANDS		
CREEK	948 0213	
		TBA
9 Student Drive		Mon – Thur
		9:00 – 11:30am
		1:30 – 3:00pm
		Fri 1:30 – 3:30pm
		Sat 9:00 – 11:30 am

SPOT BAY	948 0354	
SIOI BAI		Karen Smith
327 Spot Bay Road		Mon – Thur
		9:00 – 11:30am
		1:30 – 3:00pm
		Fri 1:30 – 3:30pm
		Sat 9:00 – 11:30 am
STAKE BAY	948 2222	T 17 TY 1
		Leila Hurlston
19 Kirkconnell Street		Mon - Fri
		8:30am – 4:30pm
	0.40.00.40	Sat: 9:00 – 11:30 am
WATERING PLACE	948 0242	Greta Scott
38 Watering Place Road		Mon – Thur
		9:00 – 11:30am
		1:30 – 3:00pm
		Fri 1:30 – 3:30pm Sat 9:00 – 11:30 am
	948 1422	Sat 9.00 – 11.30 am
WEST END	FAX: 948 2311	Estelle Stilling
30 West End Road West		Mon - Fri
		8:30am – 5:00pm
		Sat: 9:00 – 11:30 am
LITTLE CAYMAN	948 0016	
		Kerry Ann Scott
898 Guy Banks Road		Mon – Fri
,		9:00am – 12:00noon
		1:30pm – 3:30pm
		Sat 10:30am – 1:30pm

# **Boards and Committees**

Name	Meetings	Membership
Stamp Advisory	Typically six meetings are	Chair: Postmaster General
Committee	held per annum, bimonthly.	Secretary: Customer Care Officer, CIPS
	Meetings are not normally	Members:
	open to the public.	- Ministry DAW&GA Rep
		- Manager, Philatelic Bureau
		- APMG, Marketing, CIPS
		- National Archive Rep
		- National Museum Rep
		- District Commissioner
		Co-opted Members:
		- Lyndhurst Bodden

<ul><li>Ivan Burges</li><li>Phillippe Bush</li><li>Lennon Christian</li></ul>
- Carmen Godfrey - Shaun McCann

Minutes of Stamp Advisory Committee meetings may be obtained by contacting <u>foi.pos@gov.ky</u>; or FOI Information Manager, Brenda Hydes at 345-949-2474 or Information Manager Alternate, Delcia Solomon at 945-6875.

# Frequently asked questions

# Can I use my apartment's street address to get my mail at the Post Office?

No. There is no home delivery of mail in the Cayman Islands.

Under the Postal Law (1997 Revision) mail is delivered to P. O. Box numbers at the various post offices within the three islands.

## Should I use "BWI"?

No. The British West Indies no longer exists geographically.

In addition, using "BWI" may create mis-sorting overseas as automated sorting systems often mistake it for British Virgin Islands, creating a longer delivery time to the Cayman Islands.

# Can my P O Box be put in two or three person's name?

No. The Postal Law (1997 Revision) requires one renter.

# Can I get an extra key for my P O Box to give the person I share the box with?

No. The Postal Law (1997 Revision) permits only one key to be issued.

## I've lost my Post Office Box key. What should I do?

Complete a Lost Key Form from your post office or by visiting our website: <a href="https://www.caympost.gov.ky">www.caympost.gov.ky</a>. Submit this form to your post office, include the \$30 replacement key fee, and as soon as the lock has been changed, your new key will be issued to you.

# Why does my post office keeping putting mail that is not for me into my post box even when I keep returning it?

Under section 44 of the Postal Regulations (2007 Revision), the Postal Service is mandated to put mail into the post box number to which it is addressed, regardless of the name to whom it is addressed. The law gives the post box number higher priority over the name on each piece of mail.

# History

#### About us

The Cayman Islands Postal Service (CIPS) has long been an important part of Island life. We provide an essential service to all businesses and households and are part of the global postal network. We are in a unique position because we have the capacity to reach more residents in the Cayman Islands than any other business. People trust our ability to safely handle their letters and parcels. We employ nearly 100 people. Every working day we collect and process more than 40,000 pieces of mail and deliver them to 11,000 post boxes across all three islands.

The CIPS is looking to the future by trying to stay one step ahead of our customers' needs. The introduction of postcodes, mail drops and Value-Added Services is only part of this effort. We are constantly striving to find ways in which to make the Post Office more user-friendly, and we are currently looking into new technologies to bring more options to our customers.

# About our stamps

Cayman Islands stamps are known internationally for their beauty and their appealing themes, some of which reflect the Caymanian way of life and our cultural heritage, and others that feature the Islands' living marine and terrestrial treasures.

Philatelists, or stamp collectors, have highly valued Cayman Islands stamps for decades because of the normally high quality stamps produced and the limited number of stamps issues released each year.

The activities of the Stamp Advisory Committee are governed by section 12 of the Postal Law (1997 Revision) which states, "The Governor shall, from time to time, cause to be provided adhesive and other postage and revenue stamps expressing and denoting the various rates of postage and duty and such stamps shall, subject to section 14, be kept in the custody of and issued to the public by the Post Office."

The Stamp Advisory Committee meets on average six times per annum (bi-monthly) to develop each stamp issue. Once the annual programme is agreed by the Stamp Advisory Committee, a recommendation is submitted to Cabinet. Subsequent to Cabinet's approval, the approval of Her Majesty the Queen is obtained prior to each stamp issue undergoing its high security printing process. Typically, between four and six stamp issues are released each year.

The production process for a stamp issue can take a minimum of 35 weeks, therefore the Stamp Advisory Committee works well in advance and on more than one year's stamp programme simultaneously.

Given the miniature size of each stamp, not every idea or request for a stamp issue can be developed into a marketable stamp issue. However, public requests or suggestions for a stamp issue should be directed to:

Postmaster General Chair, Stamp Advisory Committee General Post Office Grand Cayman KY1-1100 CAYMAN ISLANDS

# **Strategic Management**

# General Nature of Activities

As a member of the Universal Postal Union, the Cayman Islands Government is obligated to provide each resident with access to postal services in a timely manner under the Universal Service commitment. This responsibility is delegated to the Cayman Islands Postal Service and forms the basis of its core services. Delivery is accomplished primarily through post boxes and general delivery.

Core postal services are letter mail, parcel post, registered mail, express mail, counter and philately items. Additional services include pre-paid postage (franking machines), redirection of mail, safe mail and collection of outgoing business mail. The customers are corporate and domestic.

Historically, the mail was primarily social. Today's mail is more business in nature, but the Postal Service still fulfils an importation role as a facilitator of communication. A modern financial-based economy requires and deserves a modern postal service. This necessitates that the Postal Service offers speedy delivery and increase its use of technology to offer value-added services to meet the ever-increasing needs of customers.

# Scope of Activities

The Cayman Islands Postal Services is part of the more than 700,000 postal outlets worldwide that help ensure some 430 billion mail items are processed and delivered each year to all corners of the world. Local operations are carried out in accordance with Cayman Islands Postal Legislation, the Universal Postal Union Regulations and the Caribbean Postal Union policies.

## Customers and Location of Activities

The Post Office caters to corporate and domestic customers across all three Cayman Islands. Post Offices are located in each district on the islands; Postal Agencies are in Gun Bay and Old Man Bay. Drop boxes for mail being posted are situated at all Post Offices and easily accessible areas over the islands. Stamp vendors across Grand Cayman increase customers' access to postage stamps for purchase.

# Strategic Ownership Goals

The key strategic goals and objectives for the Postal Services in 2009/2010 are as follows:-

- To continue improving customer service and the delivery of core services
- Expand provision of value added services for customers
- Continue human resource development and provide training opportunities for staff
- To update outmoded Postal Laws and Regulations

#### Governance

- Postal Law (1997 Revision)
- Postal Regulations (2007 Revision)
- HR policies and procedures
- Public Accountants Law (2009 Revision) International Public Accounting Standards
- Information management policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Public Service Management Law
- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Immigration Law (2006 Revision) and Regulations
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2005 Revision)
- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision) and Regulations
- Customs Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- Universal Postal Union Articles and Regulations
- Other Local Laws and Regulations

## Corporate management

- Annual reports
- Audit reports on overall operations or major projects
- Compliance assessments; inspections; reviews; performance evaluations
- Statistics\*\*
- Hurricane Plan
- \* Copies may be obtained upon request from Information Manager
- \*\* Specialized reports can be created to collate specific information when necessary

# **Finance & Administration**

# Financial management

- Finance and Accounting
- Annual Budget
- Financial statements; Half-yearly / quarterly reports
- Sources of revenue; Capital programme
- Contracting procedures
- List of contracts or quotations; Recently-awarded contracts

#### Administration

- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Information Technology
- Human Resources

# **Policies & Procedures**

- Postal Law (1997 Revision)\*
- Postal Regulations (2007 Revision)\*
- Ministry of District Administration, Works and Gender Affairs HR policies and procedures
- Public Service Management Law
- Universal Postal Union Articles and Regulations

# **Decisions & Recommendations**

Stamp Advisory Committee Minutes and Agendas\*

\*Copies may be obtained upon request from the FOI Information Manager via foi.pos@gov.ky or brenda.hydes@gov.ky.

<sup>\*</sup>Copies may be obtained upon request from Information Manager

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<sup>\*</sup>Copies may be obtained from the Legislative Assembly at cost.

# **Lists & Registers**

- Asset Register
- Permit Accounts Register
- Franking Meter Register
- Box Rental Register

# **CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD**

Classes of	Restrictions & Accessibility to information
Information	
Cabinet reports &	FOI request concerning this type of information should be directed to
recommendations	the Cabinet Office or the Ministry of DAWL&A.
Personnel / Human	Access to information restricted to the relevant personnel.
Resource records	
National Mail Service	Majority of information on volume of mail and financial statistics,
	permit accounts and franking meter licenses may be accessed by the
	public using FOI.
	Access to addressee and delivery information on registered mail,
	parcels and Express Mail items is restricted for personal information
	concerning clients or private residents or if information is being used
	in a criminal investigation.
Post Box Renters	Access is restricted for personal information concerning clients or
	private residents or if information is being used in a criminal
	investigation.
Cayman Islands	Information on the official Cayman Islands stamps released each year,
Stamps	Minutes and Agendas for the Stamp Advisory Committee may be
	accessed by the public using FOI.
Complaints	Records of written complaints regarding customer service and mail
	operations are accessed by the public using FOI with the redaction of
	personal information.
Value Added Services	Majority of information on transaction volume of value added services
	provided to the public may be accessed by the public using FOI.
Hurricane Plan	General plan of activities may be accessed by the public through FOI
	law. However, security sensitive information will be redacted.
Financial information	Majority of the information may be accessed by the public through
i.e. accounts, budget	FOI law.
Tender Contracts	FOI request concerning this type of information should be directed to
	the Ministry of DAWL&A.

# **Our Services**

As a member of the Universal Postal Union, the Government of the Cayman Islands is obligated to provide a national mail service for all citizens. This obligation is undertaken by the Cayman Islands Postal Service (CIPS).

In addition to providing an ordinary letter post service, the CIPS also offers customers additional services for registered mail, parcels and Express Mail Service (EMS).

Customer service is enhanced by the provision of additional services such as:

- Photocopies
- Facsimiles
- Cellular phone top-ups
- Utility bill payments

#### Forms Available for Public Use

- Lost Key Replacement Request Form
- Cayman Islands Postal Service Safe Mail Form
- Application To Rent A Post Office Box
- Cayman Islands Postal Service Mail Forwarding Application Form
- Philatelic Bureau Order Form



# **Department of Vehicles and Drivers' Licensing**

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

## The Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

# Information that may be withheld

The **Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing** will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule:
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open and transparent as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be with held where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the **Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing** (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is with held, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

# Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

www.dvdl.gov.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact Richard Simms, Deputy Director by phone at 945-8344 or

#### <u>Email</u>

Richard.simms@gov.ky

Mailing address Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing PO Box 1165
George Town KY1-1102

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at dvdl@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call *945-8344* to request information.

## <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

## Deputy Director, Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

## Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

# Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact *Richard Simms at 945-8344 or email Richard.simms* @gov.ky.

The **Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing** will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the **Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing** is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The **Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing** strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications which the **Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing** offers for sale. This includes: **Vehicle and drivers License Searches at a cost of \$75.00**. These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The **Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing** will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the **Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing** has received your payment.

#### 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the **Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing** that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested by emailing us at foi.vdl@gov.ky or dvdl@gov.ky . Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

# 6. Complaints

The **Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing** aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact *Richard Simms, Deputy Director at 945-8344*, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from www.dvdl.gov.ky

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

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#### **ABOUT US**

# **Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing**

The DVDL was established under the Traffic Law with overall responsibility to:

- inspect and test vehicles;
- register motor vehicles and maintain the register;
- issue licences in respect of motor vehicles and drivers;
- conduct driving tests; and
- perform such other functions as may, from time to time, be prescribed.

There are (2) locations in Grand Cayman (1 Crewe Road and 1 at West Bay). The District Administration in Cayman Brac & Little Cayman is responsible for administering the vehicle and drivers' licensing function in the Sister islands. Our Administrative Office is situated at #990 Crewe Road George Town, Grand Cayman.

The department remains committed to its "Road Safety Initiatives" through vigorous vehicle inspections for roadworthiness; as well as being robust in conducting practical and theory driving tests to guarantee newly qualified drivers are competent.

# **Ministry**

**District Administration, Works, Land and Agriculture** has responsibility for the **Department** of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing.

# Principal Officer [or Key staff]

David Dixon - Director, email david.dixon@gov.ky Richard Simms- Deputy Director, email Richard.simms@gov.ky Jason Azan – Manager Revenue Collection, Jason.azan@gov.ky Mario Ebanks - Finance Manager, Mario.ebanks@gov.ky Stephen Quinland - Assistant Manager, email Stephen.quinland@gov.ky .

# Information manager

Richard Simms, email Richard.simms@gov.ky or phone 945-8344

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

To promote road safety by licensing qualified drivers and roadworthy vehicles in accordance with the Traffic Law and associated regulations.

## **Our objectives**

We will achieve our aims by:

- Providing efficient and effective customer service through friendly and professional staff:
- Improving driving quality and road safety through compliance; and
- Maintaining a consistent, fair and open policy when handling complaints, queries and public concerns.

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Website. www.dvdl.gov.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
Crewe Road Office, George Town Opening hours 8:30am – 4:00pm	Licensing of vehicle, drivers and vehicle inspection
West Bay Office, Opening hours 10:00am – 6:00pm Tuesday – Friday Saturdays 9:00am – 4:00pm	Licensing of vehicle and drivers

#### **Boards and committees**

The Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing does not oversee any boards or committees.

## Frequently asked questions

# How do I renew my drivers' licence?

Visit any of our locations and complete the necessary form and pay the prescribed fee. Visit our website and see our Licence Renewal section for more details.

# How do I get in contact with the Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing?

Our telephone is 945-8344 and e-mail is dvdl@gov.ky for more details visit our Contact Us section on our website.

# I recently changed the colour and/or the engine size of my vehicle; must I let the department know?

Yes, any change in the colour, engine size or ownership, the DVDL must be made aware. Visit our website and see our sections on Transferring Ownership or Changing Vehicle Particulars for more details.

# How do I let the DVDL know of my new contact details?

Come to one of our offices, complete the appropriate form. There is a \$20 dollar fee to cover the cost of a new licence. Visit our website and see our Change of Address / Name section form more details.

# I'm visiting the Islands; can I drive on my country's driver's licence?

Visitors to the Island, who intend to rent a car/motor scooter, must first obtain a visitors permit.

## How do I get a provisional drivers licence?

You need to pass a written examination to obtain a provisional drivers licence

## • What is the difference between a full driver's licence and a provisional?

A full licence allows you to operate a motor vehicle, without supervision, within the limit of the relevant laws for that vehicle category. Visit our website and see our Provisional Licence and Full Licence sections for more information.

# • What is the process for obtaining a motor cycle licence?

You must first pass the written exam to obtain your provisional licence. This entitles you to drive your motorcycle with learner plate. You must schedule a practical test to demonstrate your control of the motorcycle to obtain your full motorcycle licence

# • When I go to renew my drivers licence, I will be over 70. Will that influence my eligibility for my renewal?

Citizens aged over 70 have to disclose details of any disability, and may be required to produce a medical certificate when renewing their licence. Visit our website and see our Senior Citizen section for more details.

# I lost my drivers licence. What should I do?

Immediately notify the police, once you have done so you may then visit the DVDL to have your licence replaced. Remember to bring a copy of you police report.

## I am new to the Islands. How do I obtain a local drivers licence?

You may be eligible to replace your foreign licence with a Cayman Island licence

# How do I upgrade my licence so I can operate heavy equipment?

You need to obtain a provisional licence for the new vehicle type and complete a practical test. See our Heavy Equipment /Special Vehicle section for more details

## How do I schedule an appointment to sit the written portion of the driving exam?

You need to visit one of our offices, with photo ID, to schedule the written exam.

# For how long can I licence my vehicle?

You can licence your vehicle for 3, 6, 12, 24 or 36 months. Visit our website and see our Vehicle Registration & Licensing section for more details.

# Can I change my drivers licence category?

Yes. Go to any of our offices, complete the appropriate form and submit payment of \$50. Visit our website and see our Change Category section for more details.

# My vehicle purchase was financed by a bank, but I have since paid the loan in full. Will the bank automatically have the lien removed?

While it is necessary for the bank to forward a notification of lien removal, you may have to request that the notification be done. Visit our website and see our Export/Termination of Vehicle section for more information

## I intend to sell my vehicle. How is the transfer of ownership done?

Both the Vendor and Buyer need to complete the appropriate paperwork and submit it at one of our offices. Visit our website and see our section on Transferring Ownership for more details.

# How long do I have to notify the DVDL of changes, either of vehicle ownership or appearance?

Section 9 of the Traffic Law (2003 revision) states that the Director shall be notified within fourteen days of any alteration to the particulars/ownership of a vehicle. Visit our website and see our section on Transferring Ownership for more details.

## I am buying a vehicle for the first time. What do I need?

In order to have a vehicle registered in your name, you must be the holder of a valid and unrestricted C.I. drivers licence and have proof of valid insurance. Visit our website and see our section on Transferring Ownership for more details

# I am a new resident on the Islands and have recently purchased a car. Can I drive on the drivers' licence issued in my home country?

New residents who intend to purchase a vehicle will be required to obtain a Cayman Islands driver licence. You may be eligible to replace your foreign licence with a Cayman Island licence.

## How much do personalized registration plates cost?

Each set of personalized registration plates will cost CI\$300.00 Visit our website and see our Personalised Registration plates section for more details

# Tell me about Disabled Permits/Registration Plates?

As a driver with a disability, you can apply for disabled registration plates for your vehicle. Visit our website for more details.

For more information visit www.dvdl.gov.ky

# **History of DVDL**

The DVDL owes it genesis to the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service (RCIPS) which was formed in 1907.2 Thus began, what became a long lasting relationship between vehicle licensing and the Police for some ninety years. During those years of infancy, there were no vehicles in the Cayman Islands, except bicycle or horse/donkey being the usual mode of transportation, unless you hiked on foot. However, during the years as the Cayman Islands began to develop, we saw the first vehicles being imported to Grand Cayman in the 1930's.

The Motor Vehicles Law (Cap. 106) of 1962, which had been amended fourteen times with its regulations being amended fourteen times as well, did not seem to address all the issues of inadequate inspection and registration of vehicles, together with the licensing and testing of drivers.

In 1963, the RCIP established vehicle licensing/driving examinations under the newly formed Traffic Department.

In 1962 there were seven categories of vehicles requiring registration, and by 1974 there were thirteen categories under the new Traffic Law. Emphasis was placed in developing a public transport system in 1997 which added a further (7) categories. It should be noted that bicycles were eliminated in the 1990s from registration or licensing.

By 1974 the legislators along with the Police introduced the new Traffic Law and Regulations, to address the inadequacies of vehicle inspections and drivers testing. The standards for vehicle inspections became more stringent requiring vehicles of different categories to be inspected

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<sup>2</sup> The Northwester Oct/Nov. 1971, pages 14-15

twice annually. The Law introduced new set of licence plates which became mandatory for all vehicles during the annual inspection process.3

Drivers' licenses were issued by way of receipts in 1963 and during the 1980s drivers' licences were issued in clear plastic laminate. Nevertheless, this was not to remain for long, so in 1998 a new format of the credit card style was introduced. The period between 1962 and 1974, drivers were only required to passed a practical test before being granted a full drivers licence. The 1974 legislation ushered in written examinations for all potential drivers from the age of seventeen years, to which they had to attain a pass mark of 80%. Drivers' license booklets were introduced which bore the seal of the Cayman Islands on the cover and comprehensive details of the holder on the inside. The licence would expire every three years, on the holders' birthday. Licence holders now have the option to choose three or five years, for the duration of the licence. There are two categories of licence, the first being a provisional or learner that is valid for six months, and upon successfully passing a theory and practical tests, a full Cayman Islands drivers' licence is granted.

The Licensing Department was housed on the ground floor of the newly built Police Headquarters in 1974. When the department made this move, the number of registered vehicles had grown significantly from 1,603 in 1969 to 3,090 vehicles registered in 1972, and to approximately 4,400 by the end of 1973.4 Despite having only having two examiners (vehicle inspection and driving examination) in 1972,5 they were kept busy in conducting 806 driving tests in 1972 compared with 383 conducted in 1969.6 However, by the 1980's the department had out grown its' quarters and in May 1983 it moved into a newly built facility on the same site near Police Headquarters.7

In October 1997, the department was transferred from the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service (RCIPS) to the former Ministry of Tourism (Tourism, Environment, Development & Commerce) and since July 2005, to the Ministry of Communications, Works & Infrastructure. The department was then placed under the leadership and management of a Director. In 2005, a new management structure was incorporated to include a Deputy Director, a Finance Manager, a Manger and an Assistant Manager. The Public Transport Unit moved from DVDL in July 2006 to the Ministry of Tourism.

There were a total of 20,602 vehicles registered by the end of 1997, compared to 39,656 in 2007/2008. We conducted 3,919 driving examinations in 2007/08, inclusive of theory and practical examinations.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

For us to be effective for the next few years, DVDL will have developed programs to effectively deal with our stake holders. It is through collaborative efforts and consultation with major stakeholders that we seek to develop our strategic direction for the next few years.

<sup>3</sup> The Northwester, September, 1974, page 63

<sup>4</sup> The Northwester, February, 1974, pages 7-8

<sup>5</sup> The Northwester, September, 1972, page 23

<sup>6</sup> The Northwester, February, 1974, page 8

<sup>7</sup> The Cayman Islands Annual Report 1983, page 19

Each staff is expected annually to deliver a set of outputs in their Performance Agreements, thus in turn, the department has to set timelines for the delivery of those outputs and provide explanations for any variances. We have four outputs in which we are answerable to the Ministry, these are: (1) Testing of Vehicle and Drivers, (2) Licensing of Drivers and Vehicles, (3) Policy Advice, and (4) Services on Behalf of the Public Transport Unit.

#### Governance

The following documents are held and used by DVDL

- Policy and Procedures Manuals;
- Traffic Law, 2003 Revision
- Traffic Regulation, 2002 Revision
- Public Management and Finance Law, 2005
- Public Service Management Law, 2005
- Personnel Regulations, 2006
- Annual Budget Statement (ABS) 2009/10
- Traffic Ticket Regulations, 1999 Revision
- Customs Regulation, 2005
- Customs Prohibited Goods, 2003 Revision
- Motor Vehicle Insurance Law (Third Party), 2007
- Motor Vehicle Insurance Law (Third Party Risk), 2006
- Motor Vehicle Insurance (Third Party Risk) Regulations
- Motor Vehicle International Circulations Regulations, 1999
- Public Passenger Vehicle Regulations, 2008
- Traffic (Amendment) Bill, 2006
- Traffic (Amendment) Regulations, 2007
- Traffic (Driving Instruction) Regulations, 2005
- Traffic (Driving Test Exemption) Order, 1998
- Traffic Amendment Law, 2005
- Traffic Categorisation Regulations, 1999
- Traffic Control Regulations, 1999
- Traffic Seat Belt Regulation, 1999
- Geneva Convention on Road Traffic 1926, 1949 and 1968
- DVDL Annual Report 2008/09

DOOK	AUTUOD	ICDN NO
BOOK	AUTHOR	ISBN NO.
The Official Road Code of the	DVDL/Ministry of	None
Cayman Islands	CWI	
The Official DSA Theory Test of Motor	Driving Standards	01-11-552750-8
Cycles	Agency (DSA) UK	
The Official DSA Theory Test for Car	Driving Standards	0-11-552749-4
Drivers & The Highway Code	Agency (DSA) UK	
The Official DSA Theory Test for	DSA, UK	978-0-11-552818-7
Drivers & Large Vehicles		
The Official DSA Guide to Driving	DSA, UK	978-0-11-552900-9
Buses & Coaches		
DSA Practical Driving Test on DVD	DSA, UK	978-0-11-552859-0
The Driving Instructor's Handbook,	John Miller &	-10:0-7494-4746-X
UK	Margaret Stacey	-13:978-0-7494-4746-X
Practical Teaching Skills for Driving	John Miller,	-10:0-7494-4953-5

Instructors – A Training Manual for the ADI Examination & The Check Test	Tony Scriven & Margaret Stacey	-13:978-0-7494-4953-7
The Official DSA Theory Test for	DSA, UK	None
Approved Driving Instructors		

# **Corporate management**

■ DVDL Human Resource Plan 2009-2014

# FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Our Finance Unit has responsibility to manage; monitor and report the revenue collection for the testing and licensing of drivers; the inspection and licensing of vehicles, and the collection of fees on behalf of the Public Transport Unit.

# POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Policy	Available	Effective Date/
	on-line/Hard Copy	Revised Date
1. DVDL Human Resource	Hard copy	30/11/06
Management Policies & Procedures		
Manual		
2. POCS Pay Point Guidelines 2008	Hard copy	January 2008
3. Scenario Guidelines for	Hard copy	
Appointing Officers	•	
4. DVDL Policy & Procedures	Hard copy	
Documents Folder		
5. Bad Debt Policy & Procedure	Hard copy	Awaiting Approval of Ministry
Sexual Harassment Policy	Hard copy	
7. Complaints Handling Procedure &	On-line	
Disciplinary Policy		
8. Driving Examiners Training Policy	Hard copy	December 2006
9. GDL Step Manual, Guidance	Hard copy	Not implemented – awaiting
Notes & Information Guide	(Information Guide:	passage of legislation
	On-line)	
10. ADI Process Phases, Instructors	Hard copy	Not implemented – awaiting
Guide & Guidance Notes	(Instructor's Guide:	passage of legislation
	On-line)	
11. Private Garages Inspection	On-line	
Procedures/Terms & Conditions		
12. Disaster Preparedness	Hard copy	
Procedures		
13. Derelict Vehicles Policy	Hard copy	
14. FOI Internal Procedures & Policy	Hard copy	
15. D.A.V.I.D. Operations Policy (new	Hard copy	
computer system that contains		
vehicles and drivers information)		
16. A.M.A.N.D.A. Operations Policy	Hard copy	

(old computer system that contains vehicles and drivers information)		
17. Geneva Convention protocol on Road Signs & Signals, 1949	Hard copy	
18. Geneva Convention on Road Traffic, 1926 &1968	Hard copy	

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Core Management Job descriptions available on request

## **LISTS & REGISTERS**

List of Driving Instructors available upon request. Vehicle and Drivers License Searches – cost \$75.00

## **OUR SERVICES**

- Testing of vehicles and drivers
- Licensing of drivers and vehicles
- Policy Advice
- Services on behalf of the Public Transport Unit and Board

# **FORMS**

- Application for a New Licence Plate, Form TR10
- Application for a Licence fee refund
- Application for Drivers Licence, Form TR14
- Application to Register a Vehicle (New Vehicle) Form 1
- Disable Persons Application Form and Instructions
- Personalised Plates
- Renewal of Registration Vehicles, Form 4
- Suspension of Registration Vehicles, Form 7
- Transfer of Ownership, Form 5
- Application for Importation of Heavy Equipment



# **Department of Vehicle and Equipment Services**

# **Publication Scheme**

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Ms. Stephane Delapenha
Information Manager or, Records Manager, Ms.Charlene Simpson
Department of Vehicles & Equipment Services
P.O. Box 1558
Grand Cayman KY1-1110
Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

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Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from www.dves.gov.ky

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

# Grand Cayman KY1-1108 **CAYMAN ISLANDS**

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

#### 7. **Categories of information**

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- Complaints
- Operating Systems
- Fleet Management Policies & Procedures
- Jobs
- Boards & Committees
- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Department of Vehicles & Equipment Services

# **Ministry**

Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands & Agriculure (DAW L&A).

#### **Chief Officer**

Mr. Kearney Gomez, Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands & Agriculture, 4th Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, Cayman Islands

#### **Head of Department**

Mr. Steven Ashford, Director-DVES

## **Information Manager**

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Freedom of Information website www.foi.gov.ky

## **Organisation and functions**

DVES is responsible for providing fleet management services to the Cayman Islands Government fleet of vehicles and equipment.

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Telephone number(345)949-5644
Fax number (345) 945-1318
Email address FOI.DVE@GOV..KY
Website address www.dves.gov.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
DVES, 386 North Sound Road 8:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Frday.	Fleet Management Services

#### **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Departmental Tenders Committee	When acquisition in > \$50K <\$250K.are made.	Contact Members in writing for details of minutes.
Dale Dacres Steven Ashford Ernest Ebanks		

# Frequently asked questions

What is the size of the fleet?

939 Units in Grand Cayman, Cayman Brac and Little Cayman.

What Fleet management services are provided?

Acquisition; Disposal; Fuel & Oils; Maintenance and Repairs; Technical Advice; Maintenance of generator, transport and repair capacity for emergencies.

What are the Operating Costs?

\$4.7M per annum

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Department of Vehicles & Equipment Services (DVES) emanated from the former Central Funding Scheme (CFS) that was created in 1977 as an attempt to centralize the replacement and ownership of all fleet under one department. The department's operations have since evolved into a centralized automotive business with a fleet management program in place that enables a wide range of services to be provided to government at rates much cheaper than private commercial enterprises.

The services available include:-

- Provision of technical advice on vehicle related matters.
- Acquisition.

- Disposal.
- Preventative maintenance and repairs.
- Fuels and oils.
- Maintenance and use of generator, transport and repair capacity for emergencies.

There are currently 759 units of vehicles and equipment assigned to government agencies in Grand Cayman that use DVES services. The fleet consists of a diverse range of makes and models of motorcycles, sedans, SUVs, trucks, specialized units, ambulances and large expensive pieces of heavy equipment, some costing > \$600K each. Government also has an additional 180 units assigned to the Sister Islands that DVES provides with fleet management services, upon request.

The recent increase in hurricane activity has made government and the community as a whole, become more aware and appreciative of DVES fleet management program and its role during emergencies.

Care is taken to deliver a high standard of priority fleet management services to emergency and specialized fleet which are instrumental with clean-up and recovery efforts and ensuring continuation of many of the essential and emergency services that government must provide within the community during emergencies. An adequate 'repair capacity' is maintained to service essential and emergency fleet before, during an after an emergency. All generators at hurricane shelters within the various districts are checked bi-weekly during hurricane seasons to keep them operational. The refueling facility that DVES manages for government's fleet is kept fully stocked with fuels and oils and a skeleton crew of key support staff are on site while others are on stand-by to deal with emergency service calls.

In the case of a weather event, DVES provides technical advice and direction to the National Hazard Management Council (NHMC) and other customer agencies in relation to procedure on how, when and where to deploy, secure and safeguard their transport and equipment. And, after a storm, DVES assists the NHMC with selecting and coordinating the distribution of fleet which are deployed in strategic areas within various districts to assist with clean-up and recovery efforts.

It can be noted that at the end of year 2002, DVES had only seven (7) garage work stations and twenty (20) mechanics to service in excess of 500 units of vehicles and equipment however, with the necessity to replace and add new fleet as a result of destruction caused by Hurricane Ivan in late 2004 and the associated additional services required, by the end of 2007, DVES was equipped with twenty one (21) garage work stations and twenty eight (28) technical support staff to perform operations, some requiring precision techniques, specialized skills and knowledge based on extensive training and experience to carry-out assignments ranging from routine to often dangerous and complex procedures and fifteen (15) senior management, admin, accounting and clerical support staff to manage daily activities and perform financial and personnel related functions.

The DVES is customer focused and dedicates the fleet management program to meeting the expectations and requirements of government, the customer. The program is managed and operated by qualified 'in-house' expertise who ensures government's fleet is serviced safely and as quickly as possible and at the best economic price. The program is designed mainly to achieve maximum return on fleet investments before or, at the point of disposal and ensure transport and equipment are always available to government while keeping associated costs approximately 30% lower than private commercial enterprises. After all, it is the effectiveness of

this program that determines whether government should continue to patronize DVES operation or, privatize it as some private competitors have suggested in the past.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

- To maintain efficient and effective management information and operating systems.
- To complete upgrades to the garage repair workshops and Stores office.
- To ensure a customer focused and positive results organization
- To maintain existing staff complement and ensure quality performances in accordance with service demands and accepted international automotive industry standards.
- To provide services efficiently to DVES and customers satisfaction at the best economic price.
- To ensure that financial performance is such that revenues meets operating costs.

#### Governance

- Department Policies and Procedures Manual
- The Laws and Regulations governing the Civil Service.

# **Corporate management**

- Departmental Disaster Control Plan
- Succession Plan
- Continuity of Operations Plan
- Deployment Plan for Hurricanes
- Occupational, Safety, Health and Administration (OSHA).

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

# Financial management

- Annual Budget
- Financial.statements; Half-yearly / quarterly reports
- Internal Financial and Managerial Operating and Control Systems
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures
- Tendering Procedures
- Auction, Procurement and Disposal procedures

#### Administration

- Fleet History Files.
- HR Records and Files
- Job vacancies; Job Applications,
- Staff pay and grading structures
- LANKAR- Inventory control System
- GASBOY- Automated Fuel System.

Records management file plan or classification scheme

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

- Complaints-handling procedure; HR policies and procedures
- Information management policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Operating policies and procedures; Standards of service
- Departmental Policies and Procedures Manual

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Evaluation procedures; Assessment criteria
- Staff Meetings.
- DTC and CTC meetings.

## **LISTS & REGISTERS**

- Inventory of Fleet
- Inventory of Stock
- Asset register; Schedule of property/buildings
- FOI disclosure log

#### **OUR SERVICES**

DVES role is to provide fleet management services to government's fleet.

- Acquisition
- Disposal
- Maintenance and Repairs
- Sale of Fuel and Oils.
- Technical Advice
- Maintenance of capacity for Emergencies.

DVES services are provided locally and restricted to government.



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#### **ABOUT US**

The Department of Environmental Health (DEH) protects the public from environmental health hazards, through activities including waste collection, food hygiene & health and safety inspections.

#### **MINISTRY**

DEH operates under the Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands & Agriculture (DAW&LA)

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

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#### **Records Management**

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- National Achieve and Public Records Law

#### District Administration, Works, Lands & Agriculture (Ministry of)

#### Minister

Hon Juliana Y O'Connor-Connolly, JP, MLA

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## **Dr. Paulino Rodrigues**

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#### **ORGANISATION AND FUNCTIONS**

## **RESPONSIBILITIES & FUNCTIONS OF DEH**

#### **Environmental Engineering**

- Development control
  - Review environmental health aspect of development including air quality, noise pollution, solid waste management, hazardous waste management, occupational health and safety, food hygiene, and swimming pool design etc.
  - Conduct certificate of occupancy inspections to ensure compliance with relevant environmental health guidelines.
- Cemeteries management
  - o Estimate cemetery capacity
  - Construction of vaults
  - Designing of new cemeteries
  - Other cemeteries works
- Engineering advice
  - o Provide technical advice on environmental health engineering matters.
  - o Review technical reports
- Engineering inspections
  - Engineering inspections of swimming pools for tourism accommodation premises.
  - Provide other engineering inspection services as required to support the other aspects of the department's function.
- Engineering management
  - Provide project management support for various environmental health engineering projects undertaken by the department.

## **Environmental Health District Sanitation**

- Pollution prevention
  - Land based pollution industrial/commercial/residential
  - Illegal dumping
  - Derelict vehicles
- Rodent control
  - Rodent baiting of private homes and government buildings
  - Deratting certification for ships
- Statutory nuisance control
  - Investigation of public complaints

## **Environmental Health and Safety Inspections**

- Inspection of public facilities
  - Schools and pre-schools
  - Day care centers
  - Retirement homes
  - Government building
- Consumer facilities
  - Barber shops and beauty salons
  - o Gyms
  - Launderettes
  - o Funeral homes
  - Photograph studios

- Nurseries
- Training of personnel

## **Environmental Health Food Hygiene and Safety**

- Post-mortem inspection of locally slaughtered meats
- Monitoring of imported food containers
- Improvement, quality control and licensing inspections of commercial food facilities
- Food handler training
- Food recalls and condemnations
- Food-related illness and complaints investigations
- Food and water sampling
- Inspection of public places for sale and use of Tobacco Products

## **Environmental Health Laboratory**

- Sampling and analysis in the monitoring of
  - o Public and private drinking water supplies
  - Swimming pools
  - Bathing beaches
  - Wastewater facility discharges
  - Food Safety
  - o Landfills
- Conduct assessments for indoor air quality
- Conduct environmental noise assessments
- Used oil testing
- Hazmat response and support

## **Environmental Health Education and Promotions**

- Provides information the public on environmental health issues
- Facilitates training
- Provides information to the public through
- School presentations
- Community presentations
- The production of informational brochures

#### **Solid and Hazardous Waste Management**

- Commercial and residential waste collection
  - o Recycling, waste reduction and reuse
- Infectious waste management
  - Waste processing; waste disposal
  - o Emergency response
- Roadside, beach and special event litter collection

#### **LAWS & REGULATIONS**

The Department of Environmental Health (DEH) is regulated by two main laws which are the Litter Law and the Public Health Law and Regulations. There is no regulation under the Litter Law.

## The Litter Law (12 of 1982) (1997 Revision)

#### **Public Health Law (2002 Revision)**

- Public Health Law (Communicable Diseases) Regulations (1997 Revision)
- Public Health Law (Garbage and Refuse Disposal) Regulations (2003Revision)
- Public Health Law (Infectious Waste) Regulations (2002 Revision)
- Public Health Law (Miscellaneous Fees) Regulations (2004 Revision)
- Public Health Law (Quarantine) Regulations (2002 Revision)
- Ships (Rodent Control) Regulations (2003 Revision)

## Public Health Law (1996 Revision)

Public Health Law (Cemetery Fees) Regulations, 2001

#### **DEH GUIDELINES**

- Complaints/Requests Procedure Guidelines
- Guidelines for Indoor Mould Prevention and Remediation in Buildings May 2006
- Guidelines for the Operation of Tourist Accommodation Properties (Hotel, Condominiums & Guesthouses) – Feb 2007
- Guidelines for the Operation of Temporary / Iterant Food Facilities
- Guidelines of the Examination of imported Foods
- Guidelines for the Production and Supply of Bottle Water in the Cayman Islands May 2007
- Guidelines for Tattooing, body Piercing & Body Art Establishments & Procedures
- Guidelines for the Operation of Barbershops & Beauty Salons March 2007
- Guidelines for the Importation and Disposition of a Deceased body or Human Ash-June 2001
- Guidelines of Burial at Sea June 2001
- Plan Review Manual and Guidelines November 2003

## **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

Currently, (Dec 2010) there are no functioning committees within DEH; but DEH Officers are members of a number of boards and committees that function within government and the private sector. Frequently, DEH officers are asked to produce reports or recommendations from an Environmental Health prospective.

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

In addition to the laws and regulations listed above the following policies and procedures are used at DEH.

- Complaints-handling procedure
- Human Resource policies & procedures
- Hurricane Preparedness manual
- Hazardous Materials policy and procedures
- Solid Waste Management procedures
- Environmental Health Laboratory polices and procedures

## <u>List of Forms Used (External & Internal)</u>

- Application Form Swimming Pool / Spa Review
- Application Forms for an Environmental Health Related Business 1999
- Application from for Environmental Health Related Business New Business
- Application from for Environmental Health Related Business Re-application
- Basic Food Hygiene Training Course application Form Collection and Disposal Service Contract – July 1, 2003
- Complaints/ Request Investigation Form
- Derelict Vehicles Removal Form August 2000
- Food Premises Inspection Report Sept 22, 1999
- Food Safety Advice and Consultation Form
- Food Safety Risk Assessment Score Sheet
- Horse Stables and Animal Pens Inspection Reports
- Hotel / Condominium Inspection Report Feb 2006
- Laboratory Chain of Custody and Analysis Request Form
- Public Facilities Inspection Form June 2008
- Public Facilities Inspection Form Recreation & Institutional Health & Safety 2008
- School Inspection Report (Pre-School & Day Care Centre)
- Waste Disposal Contracts for incinerator Services George Town Landfill Nov 2003

## List of Brochures at DEH

- A Common Pest: House Flies Aug 2010
- Aluminum Can Recycling
- Business Recycling
- CAREERS in the Department of Environmental Health
- Child Safety 2009
- Cigarette Litter 2009
- Cistern Safety Maintenance Oct 2010
- Food Safety in the kitchen
- Garbage Disposal Flyer
- Garbage Dumps 2009
- Get a Grip on Litter
- How to Disinfect Water
- Lead Acid Battery Recycling
- Lead Poisoning: What you need to know
- Leftovers
- Litter 2009
- Lunch Box Safety
- Managing Used Oil 2009
- Mould 2008
- Office Paper Recycling
- Recycling Information & Fact Sheet 2007
- Responsibilities of DEH
- Rodent Control
- Solid Waste Management
- Starting Your Own Recycling Program
- Used Oil Recycling
- Water Cooler

## **PERMITS GRANTED**

The only permits that DEH grant are:-

- Permits to import and export human remains, and for
- Bonfires on public beaches.

Request for information concerning permits not issued by DEH will have to be directed to the public authority that has responsibilities for issuing a particular permit.

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Inspections by DEH Environmental Health Officers are documented through reports or recommendation based on their findings. Many of these reports or recommendations can be access by the public under the FOI law.

## List of inspections carried out by DEH

- Liquor Licensing inspections
  - o Bars
  - Restaurants
- Food Safety inspections
  - Food Establishment
  - o Restaurants
  - Meat inspection
  - Food container
  - Temporary food stalls
  - Food recall & condemnations
- Tourist Accommodation inspections
  - o Hotels
  - o Condo
  - Guest houses
- Government Buildings inspections
  - Schools primary, secondary, tertiary
  - o Daycares
- Cosmetology industry & other consumer facilities inspections
  - o Beauty salon
  - Barbershops
  - o Tattoo parlour
  - Mobile beauty & barbershops
  - Funeral homes
  - Laundry mats
- District Sanitation
  - o Rodent inspections
  - Complaints inspections
- Environmental Engineering Inspection
  - o Residential apartments
  - o Commercial
  - Industrial
  - o Recreation parks, swimming pool, spas etc
  - Noise level testing
- Environmental Health Lab

- o Analysis of samples
  - Food, drinking water, beaches, pools, spas, wastewater, ground and surface water, landfill leachate, used oil, unknown substances, and hazardous materials.

# **CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD**

Classes of Information	Restrictions & Accessibility to information	
Cabinet reports & recommendations	FOI request concerning this type of information should be directed to the Cabinet Officer or the Ministry of DAW&LA.	
Personal / Human Resource records	Access to information restricted to the relevant personnel.	
Inspections reports & recommendations	Majority of information can be access by the public using FOI. Access is restricted for personal information concerning clients or private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.	
Complaints	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.	
Lab analysis	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or private residents or if information is being used in an investigation. Services paid for by private entities are the property of the payee unless the information is prejudice to health & human safety.	
Financial information i.e. accounts, budget	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.	
Tender Contracts	FOI request concerning this type of information should be directed to the Ministry of DAW&LA.	



# **Recreations, Parks & Cemeteries Unit**

## **Publication Scheme**

## Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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## 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered under the Freedom of Information Law, has a legal responsibility to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information, especially information already in the Public Domain, readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Publication Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information and to develop a culture of openness and participation.

A publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. For ease of reference, the list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to assist you in finding the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Recreations Parks & Cemeteries Unit to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Recreations Park & Cemeteries Unit will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that my be withheld

The Recreations, Parks & Cemeteries Unit will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form:
- information that is not held by the Recreations, Park & Cemeteries Unit, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in **section 7**: **Categories of information**.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Recreations, Parks & Cemeteries Unit (or another organization's) commercial interests, or breach our National Security.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

## Online

Some of our documents are published electronically on the RPCU website at www.rpcu.gov.ky and can be downloaded in PDF format.

If you are still having trouble locating information listed using the RPCU website, please contact the FOI Information Manager M. Lyle Hill at 946-8250 or direct line at 244-5913 or email at mitchell.hill@gov.ky or foi.rpc@gov.ky

## **Email**

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.rpc@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details of your request if necessary.

## **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call M. Lyle Hill at 946-5280 or direct line at 244-5913 or email at mitchell.hill@gov.ky or foi.rpc@gov.ky to request information.

#### <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to: M. Lyle Hill, 580 North Sound Road, P.O. Box 2508, KY1-1104 at 946-8250 or direct line at 244-5913 or email at mitchell.hill@gov.ky or foi.rpc@gov.ky

Please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive, when making a request. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details of your request if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

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The Recreations, Parks & Cemeteries Unit will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Recreations, Parks & Cemeteries Unit is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

#### 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Recreations, Parks & Cemeteries Unit will strive to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The Recreations, Parks & Cemeteries Unit will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information of the FOI regulations.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Recreations, Parks & Cemeteries Unit has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Recreations, Parks & Cemeteries Unit that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing.

Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law by contacting FOI Information Manager M. Lyle Hill at 946-8250 or direct line at 244-5913 or email at mitchell.hill@gov.ky or foi.rpc@gov.ky

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#### **ABOUT US**

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#### **MINISTRY**

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## Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands, and Agriculture

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#### **ORGANISATION AND FUNCTIONS**

## **RESPONSIBILITIES & FUNCTIONS OF RPCU**

The Recreations, Parks & Cemeteries Unit is tasked with the following core responsibilities and functions;

#### Parks:

RPCU is tasked with the responsibility of cleaning and beautifying all existing Public Parks and Recreational Areas, including the Dart Parks which have been turned over to Govt. for upkeep. RPCU in tandem with the Ministry is also responsible for the design of new Parks and Recreational Areas that are required to be developed for Public use.

#### **Public Beaches:**

Public Beaches, especially the Seven Mile Beach Public Beach, are high traffic facilities that require daily maintenance and cleaning. With the aid of a Beach Sweeper Machine, facility attendants keep these areas clean for use by cruise passenger, tourists and the general public.

## **Public Restrooms:**

These facilities are of utmost importance both from a Public Hygiene and Public Appearance standpoint. RPCU through a concerted effort, maintain Public Restrooms 7 days per week, especially on weekends and Public Holidays.

#### Cemeteries:

Our role in the scope of Public Cemeteries is limited solely to the Maintenance and cleaning of these facilities. Landscaping is maintained and fencing is repaired or painted. Department of Environmental Health and the Public Works Department oversee the construction of cemetery vaults. Families maintain the vaults by occasional painting.

## **Launching Ramps / Jetties:**

Launching Ramps are cleaned of seaweeds on a regular basis and checked for obstructions to launching vehicles / trailers. Launching Ramps are de-mucked of silt as required. Some are de-mucked at least 2 times per year depending on its location to prevailing winds and currents.

## **Central Business District:**

The Central Business District or George Town Core Area is enhanced through proper sidewalks and handicap ramps; placement of Potted Plants, Street furniture, bicycle racks and trash cans. George Town Core Street Signage has been upgraded.

## **LAWS & REGULATIONS**

The Recreations, Parks & Cemeteries Unit is a relatively new entity within the Civil Service and does not have a Parks Law. Under the Ministry of DAWLA, RPCU is in the initial stage of proposing the need of a Parks Law for the Cayman Islands. In the interim, relevant sections of The Towns and Communities Law (Cap.169) (1995 Revision) are used occasionally with the assistance of the RCIP who has legal authority & responsibility to enforce these laws. Copies of the Towns and Communities Law are available at the front desk of the Legislative Assembly.

#### **RPCU GUIDELINES**

- Complaints/Requests Procedure Guidelines
- Guidelines for Reservation and Use of Public Facilities

#### **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

At present, RPCU does not have a Parks Law, which when enacted will require a Parks Commission Board and/or Committee(s) to be established.

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

In addition to the laws and regulations listed above the following policies and procedures are used at RPCU.

- Complaints-handling procedure
- Human Resource policies & procedures
- Hurricane Preparedness manual
- Safety Policies & Procedures

## List of Forms Used (External & Internal)

- Event Permit Application Form
- Complaints/ Request Investigation Form

#### **PERMITS GRANTED**

Event Permits for Use of Recreational Facilities, mainly Park and Beach Cabanas.

#### **INSPECTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Facility Inspections by RPCU Officers are documented through reports or recommendation based on their findings. Many of these reports or recommendations can be accessed by the public under the FOI law.

## List of inspections carried out by RPCU

- All RPCU Facilities are inspected on a regular basis by Supervisors, Assistant Managers, and The General Manger to ensure that maintenance standards are being kept.
- Boat Ramps and Jetties are inspected to ensure that they are in good condition and that seaweed and debris are removed.
- Playground equipment is inspected regularly to promote safe usage.
- Work crews are monitored to ensure that proper Gear and Safety Equipment are being used.

#### **CLASSES OF INFORMATION**

Classes of	Restrictions & Accessibility to information		
Information			
Cabinet reports &	FOI request concerning this type of information should be directed to		
recommendations	the Cabinet Officer or the Ministry of DAWLA.		
Personal / Human	Access to information restricted to the relevant personnel.		
Resource records			
Inspections reports	Majority of information can be access by the public using FOI.		
& recommendations	Access is restricted for personal information concerning clients or		
	private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.		
Complaints	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI		
	law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or		
	private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.		
Financial information   Majority of the information can be accessed by the public throug			
i.e. accounts, budget	law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or		
	private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.		

Tender Contracts	FOI request concerning this type of information should be directed to
	the Ministry of DAW&GA.



## **Telecommunications Unit**

## **Publication Scheme**

Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Office of Telecommunications will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the **Office of Telecommunications**, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the **Office of Telecommunications**' (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

## 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

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Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at http://www.oftel.gov.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact Karefia Ross or Leanna Rivers at 949-2919

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.tco@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

## Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call Karefia Ross@949-2919 to request information.

#### <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Office of Telecommunications

PO Box 10002 APO

Grand Cayman

KY1-1001

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

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The **Office of Telecommunications** will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the **Office of Telecommunications** is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The **Office of Telecommunications** strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

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## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Office of Telecommunications that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing by using http://www.oftel.gov.ky under making a request, or by emailing Karefia.ross@gov.ky. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

Request can also be made by Coming to our Office and filling out a FOI request form. We are Located at Cayman Center – Unit2 Building E.

Forms can also be faxed to 945-5091 or email to foi.tco@gov.ky

Office Times are 8:30-5:00 Mon – Friday.

#### 6. Complaints

The **Office of Telecommunications** aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Karefia Ross at 949-2919, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from:

http://www.oftel.gov.ky/

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

- About Us
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#### **ABOUT US**

The Department of Telecommunication is charged with maintaining all of telecommunications and public safety communication needs For the Cayman Islands Government and its citizens.

# Name of public authority

Office of Telecommunications

Physical Address: Cayman Centre - Unit2 Building E

Owen Roberts Drive, George Town

Mailing Address: PO Box 1002 APO KY1-1001

Telephone: 345-949-2919

Fax: 345-945-5091 Email: foi.tco@gov.ky

Website: http://www.oftel.gov.ky

Hours Of Work: 8:30am-5pm, Monday-Friday

# Principal Officer

Kernilon Owens

Director

## Information manager

Karefia Ross 949-2919 Kernilon Owens (Information Manager Designate) 949-2919 www.foi.tco.gov.ky foi.tco@gov.ky

## Ministry

The Office of Telecommunications operates under the Ministry of District Administration, Planning, Agriculture & Housing (DAPAH) who is responsible for a wide range of services that provide critical infrastructure support for the maintenance of a strong and viable economy as well as to promote a healthy population and clean and safe environment for both visitors and residents alike. The business of Government in Cayman Brac and Little Cayman is channeled through the Ministry as a means of ensuring the timely and efficient implementation of Government policies on the Sister Islands.

## <u>District Administration, Works & Gender Affairs (Ministry of)</u>

#### Minister

Hon Juliana Y O'Connor-Connolly, JP, MLA

## **Permanent Secretary**

Mr Kearney Gomez JP

#### Address

4th Floor, Government Administration Building, 71A Elgin Avenue, George Town, Grand Cayman

#### Mailing Address

4th Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS

**Telephone:** (345) 244-2412 **Fax:** (345) 945-2922 **Email** Ministry.DAPAH@gov.ky / foi.mpc@gov.ky

Website: www.dapah.gov.ky

**Hours of Work:** 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

File Name	Location of File
Monthly Reports	Telecoms Office
Service Reports	Telecoms Office

<sup>\*</sup> As Per Mission Statement.

## **Laws Kept By Office of Telecommunications**

File Name	Location of File	Year/Revision
FOI Laws	Telecoms Office/ 2007 http://www.foi.gov.ky	
Hazard Management Laws	Telecoms Office Draft Vers.2009	
ICTA Laws	Telecoms Office 2006 Revision	

## FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

File Name	Location of File	
Budgets	www.gov.ky website	

# POLICIES & PROCEDURES

File Name	Location of File
Internal Complaints	Telecoms Office
Information Management Policy	Telecoms Office
Vehicle and Driver Card Procedure	Telecoms Office
Leave Procedure	Telecoms Office
FOI Interaction Procedure	Telecoms Office
Fault Records	Telecoms Office
Fault Registry	Telecoms Office
Reporting Policy	Telecoms Office
Reporting Procedure	Telecoms Office
Service co-ordination Procedure	Telecoms Office

# **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Please see our Mission Statement shown under the **Section Organizations and Functions**.

## **LISTS AND REGISTRIES**

FOI Disclosure Log

Request Number	Request Detail	Response	Outcome
27428	Expenses on Budget year 08/09.	Deferred	08 budget available publicly,09 budget was delayed until LA

			met in Sept.
27428	Information Regarding Paid consultants on contract in our entity.	Granted in Full	None are utilized by our Entity.

#### **OUR SERVICES**

- Provide advice on Telecommunications Infrastructure
- Provide Service on Telecommunication Infrastructure
- Provide service for Emergency Response Telecommunications

Please refer to our Mission Statement, additional information is also available at http://www.oftel.gov.ky

## **Organisation and functions**

#### Office of Telecommunications Mission Statement

The Office of Telecommunications (OfTel) serves through the Permanent Secretary, as the principal adviser to the Government on telecommunications policy making and in the management of the orderly growth of technological advances, in relation to the national telecommunications infrastructure. It is also responsible for implementing Government policies, by managing, coordinating, and providing services relating to the national telecommunications infrastructure. OfTel provides engineering policy and technical advice to the Ministry of District Administration, Works and Gender Affairs and other Government agencies, and the private sector on Telecommunications matters.

OfTel provides emergency response services to the National Security Committee and other organizations, that require maintaining an adequate level of preparedness and the deployment of telecommunications equipment and trained personnel.

PO Box 1002 KY1-10001 Tel 949-2919 Fax 949-5091 Oftel @gov.ky www.oftel.gov.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
Office Of Telecommunications	*Technical advice and recommendations to
Unit E2	Government Entities
Cayman Centre	
Owen Roberts Drive	* Planning and Implementing Telecommunication
8:30 - 5:00	Infrastructures
Ph# 949-2919	
Fax# 945-5091	* Accounting

#### **Boards and committees**

Name Meetings Minutes
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Hazard Management	Sub-		Please make an FOI request
Committee	For	Not available to the public.	Using foi.tco@gov.ky
Emergency			
Communications			

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

## Does the Office of Telecommunications provide radio licences?

In the past the Office of Telecommunications did provide radio licenses, but this function is now being handled by the Information Communication Technology Authority.

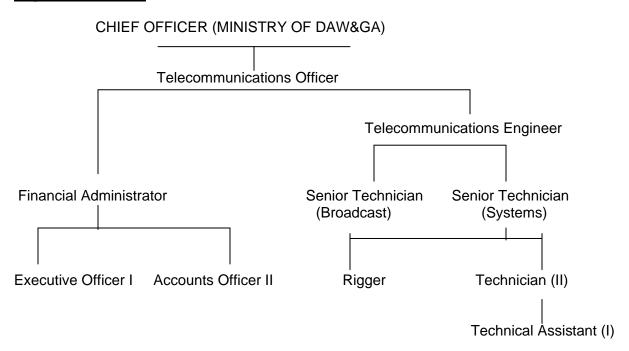
# Can a member of the public purchase equipment such as hand held radios from the Office of Telecommunications?

No, all radios and other equipment are strictly provided only to Government entities.

## Is the Office of Telecommunications the Same as Emergency Communications/911?

Although closely related to one another, we are two separate entities. Please see our Mission Statement under Decision and Recommendations.

## **Organization Chart**





## **Publication Scheme**

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#### <u>Post</u>

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Martha Watler
Information Manager
P.O. Box 1110
Grand Cayman KY1-1102
CAYMAN ISLANDS

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Send request to:

Martha Watler

Information Manager P.O. Box 1110 Grand Cayman KY1-1102 CAYMAN ISLANDS Email: foi.rcy@gov.ky Phone: 949-7799

Or-

Kadie Ebanks

Fax: 946-1346

Information Manager (Designate)
P.O. Box 1110
Grand Cayman KY1-1102
CAYMAN ISLANDS
Email: foi.rcy@gov.ky

Phone: 949-7799 Fax: 949-6536

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PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

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#### **ABOUT US**

#### Name of public authority: RADIO CAYMAN

Radio Cayman's first broadcast was during Easter of 1976 and the official broadcast began on 12 December 1976. Twenty-seven years later, it remains one of the Cayman Islands' most respected stations.

In the 1980s Radio Cayman started providing the Cayman Islands with a choice of two services, Radio Cayman One and Two 89.9 and 105.3FM on Grand Cayman and 91.9 and 93.9FM on Cayman Brac and Little Cayman.

Radio Cayman provides the islands with a 24 hour broadcast service daily, including BBC World Service Programming, between midnight and 6am on Radio Cayman One and a magical mix of music on Radio Cayman Two. The station also delivers the most extensive and credible local, regional and international newscasts in the Cayman Islands.

Radio Cayman is the "Community's Station" and provides extensive coverage of national events, such as the Queen's Birthday Parade in June, Pirates Week Festival activities in November, the Remembrance Day Service in November and other community activities including the broadcast of proceedings in the Legislative Assembly, when the House is in session.

General Contact Information	tion
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**Phone Lines** 

Administration (345) 949-7799 Fax (345)949-6536 Accounts (345) 244-2192

News Editors (345) 244-2187, (345) 244-2186, (345) 244-2185, and (345) 244-

2181

Commercial Sales (345) 244- 2136, (345) 244- 2183 and (345) 244-2193

Request Line (345) 949-6990

**Email** 

News Room rcnews@gov.ky
Sales Dept rcsales@gov.ky

Talk Today TalkToday@candw.ky

**Mailing Address** 

P.O. Box 1110

Radio Cayman KY1-1102

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** 

Job Opportunities (Whenever jobs becomes available at Radio Cayman it is posted on our website and in the Newspapers)

News Desk (Radio Cayman's News is available online at www.radiocayman.gov.ky or by listening to Radio Cayman frequencies at 89.9FM & 105.3 FM in Grand Cayman and 93.9FM & 91.9FM in Cayman Brac and Little Cayman.)

#### **Ministry**

#### **District Administration, Works & Gender Affairs**

Government Administration Building, 71A Elgin Ave, George Town, Grand Cayman Mailing Address: Cayman Islands Government, Government Administration Building, Elgin Ave, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-9000

## **Principle Officers**

Norma McField, Director

P.O Box 1110, Grand Cayman KY1-1102, Cayman Islands

Paulette Conolly-Bailey, Deputy Director

P.O. Box 1110, Grand Cayman, KY1-1102, Cayman Islands

#### **Information Manager**

Martha Watler

P.O. Box 1110, Grand Cayman KY1-1102, Cayman Islands

#### **Information Manager Designate**

Kadie Ebanks

P.O. Box 1110, Grand Cayman KY1-1102, Cayman Islands

## **Organisation and functions**

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Location and hours	Matters handled	
George Town, Grand Cayman. of control of con	actions of Public Authority: Provides broadcast urrent affairs, entertainment (music) and cational programmes to the people of the man Islands	

## **Frequently Asked Questions:**

When was Radio Cayman's first broadcast?

Radio Cayman's first official broadcast was on 12 December 1976, but testing began during Easter of 1976.

What are the frequencies of Radio Cayman?

The frequencies in Grand Cayman are Radio Cayman 1 89.9 and Breeze FM 105.3 on Cayman Brac and Little Cayman RC 1 is 93.9 and Breeze FM is 91.9

Where does Radio Cayman get its funding?

Radio Cayman is partially funded by the Government of the Cayman Islands and also earns revenue from commercial sales.

What forms of payment are accepted at Radio Cayman for commercial orders?

Radio Cayman accepts payment by Cash, cheque and Visa or Master debit and credit cards

What is the staff complement at Radio Cayman?

The staff complement at Radio Cayman is 22

How many songs are in Radio Cayman's Music Library?

Radio Cayman has approximately ten thousand CDs, six thousand LP albums, and ten thousand 45rpm records.

## What genre of music does Radio Cayman play?

Mainly Pop, R&B, Soca, Calypso, Reggae, Country, Classical, and Jazz

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

#### Governance

- Public Service Management Law, 2005.
- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007.
- Freedom of Information Law 2007, Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- Information and Communication Technology Authority Law (2006 Revision)
- The Public Management and Finance Law (2003 Revision) The Financial Regulations, 2004.
- Radio Cayman's Workplace Rules.

Copies can be obtained from Radio Cayman.

## **Corporate management**

Radio Caymans plans for business continuity, hazard management and disaster recovery (Hard copy can be obtained from Radio Cayman)

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

## **Financial Management.**

Annual budget (Hard copy can be obtain from Radio Cayman or by logging on to www.gov.ky

#### Administration

Job vacancies; career opportunities Job Opportunities

Staff pay and grading structures (hard copy can be obtained at Radio Cayman)

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Complaints-handling procedure Radio Cayman COMPLAINTS POLICY (Hard Copy available at Radio Cayman)

Operating policies and procedures; Standards of service Radio Cayman's Credit Policy (*Hard Copy available at Radio Cayman*)

# **OUR SERVICES**

Radio Cayman provides news, information and music for the listeners of the Cayman Islands. Our services are available by calling Radio Cayman at 949-7799, email radiocayman@gov.ky or by logging on to our website at www.radiocayman.gov.ky.



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Wendy Whittaker Information Manager Water Authority – Cayman P.O. Box 1104 Grand Cayman KY1-1102 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide a name and an address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

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Please refer to Freedom of Information (General) Regulations 2008, Schedule 3 for a complete list of fees.

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PO Box 1104, Grand Cayman KY1-1102, Cayman Islands

Fax: (345) 949-0094

Email: wendy.whittaker@waterauthority.ky or foi@waterauthority.ky

Requests will only be accepted in writing and can be sent via fax, email, post or hand delivered. Please include a name, mailing or email address. Kindly indicate the format in which you wish to receive the information you have requested, e.g., photocopies or scanned copies. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

## 6. Complaints

The Water Authority - Cayman aims to make the publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme you may contact our Information Manager who will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible. Also, if you are dissatisfied with our response, you are entitled to an internal review and to do so, please contact:

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You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are not satisfied with our response.

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Email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

#### 7. Categories of information

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#### **ABOUT US**

The Water Authority is a statutory body established under the Water Authority Law of 1982 and became a fully functioning statutory organization in 1990. The primary mission of the Authority is to provide public water supply and sewerage services; and, to protect and manage water resources, which includes the regulation of abstraction and disposal wells and the excavation of canals and quarries.

#### **Ministry**

The Water Authority is a statutory authority that falls under the portfolio of the Ministry of District Administration, Works Land and Agriculture. The Minister responsible for the portfolio:

Deputy Premier, Hon. Juliana Y. O'Connor-Connolly, JP, MLA

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## **Organisation & Functions**

## Mission Statement

- To ensure that the entire population of the Cayman Islands has access to a pure, wholesome and affordable supply of potable water; and to regulate other entities who are licensed by the Government to provide water supplies.
- To protect and develop groundwater resources for the benefit of present and future populations of these islands.
- To provide for the collection, treatment and disposal of sewage within these islands in a manner that is safe, efficient and affordable.
- To operate in such a manner as to be financially self-sufficient, while contributing to the economy of these islands and achieving a reasonable and acceptable return on capital investments.

Location and hours	Matters handled
Main Administration Offices P.O. Box 1104 13G Red Gate Road, George Town Grand Cayman KY1-1102 Cayman Islands Tel: (345) 949-2837 Fax: (345) 949-0094 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday	General Inquiries General Administration Customer Service Water Supply Sewerage Development Control Lab Analysis Permits & Licences
Wastewater Treatment Works Off Seymour Drive (Adjacent to the landfill) George Town Grand Cayman 7:30am to 4:30pm Monday to Friday 7:30am to 2:30pm Saturday & Sunday	Septage Deliveries
Cayman Brac Operations Office P.O. Box 240 96 West End Cross Road Cayman Brac KY2-2002 Cayman Islands Tel: (345) 948-1403 Fax: (345) 948-1404 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday	General Inquiries General Administration Customer Service Water Supply

## **Boards and Committees**

The Water Authority Board	Meetings	Minutes
Chairman: Mr. Tristan Hydes (Acting) Members: Mrs. Ingrid Simms, Mr. Miguel Smith Mr. Otto Watler Mr. Corlan McLaughlin Mr. Windell Scott Mrs. Pearlina McGaw-Lumsden Ms. Anne Owens Ms. Reshma Sharma Mr. Jerry Banks Secretary: Dr. Gelia Frederick-van Genderen	Board meets every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at Water Authority's Red Gate Road location in the Board Room.  These meetings are not open to the public.	Minutes are only available in hard copy.
Plumber's Examination Board	Meetings	Minutes
Chairman: Mr. Hendrik-Jan van Genderen Members: Mr. James Smith Mr. James Merren Mr. Victor Yates Secretary: Ms. Alisha Racz	Board meets on the 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday of every quarter at Water Authority's Red Gate Road location. These meetings are not open to the public.	Minutes are only available in hard copy.

## Frequently asked questions

#### What is a cubic metre?

One (1) cubic metre equals 1,000 litres or 264.2 US gallons. The scientific way to write cubic metre is m<sup>3</sup>.

## Where is my meter located?

All meters are located as close as possible to the front corner boundaries of each parcel.

## When my water is turned off, why do I have to pay the total bill before the current charges are due?

The Water Authority Law states that after the water is turned off, all outstanding charges for service must be paid before service can be restored. In addition, there is a reconnection service charge of \$25.00 that has to be paid prior to restoration of service.

#### Is the water safe to drink?

Absolutely. The Water Authority adheres to strict quality control standards for provision of drinkable water.

## Why do I have to pay a minimum charge when I don't use my services?

All active accounts are billed for a minimum charge as stipulated in the Water Authority Law.

#### How are the rates determined?

Rates are viewed routinely to determine the cost of service. Rates are reviewed as necessary and adopted by the Ministry and submitted under Law Updates. Your rate pays for debt service, operations and maintenance costs. For a copy of the current rate schedule, click here or contact our office.

## How can I pay my bill online?

Currently bills cannot be paid online. It is expected that in the near future you will be able to pay your bill online using our secure credit card facility (including debit cards with VISA or MasterCard). There are a number of bill payment options currently available to customers.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The Water Authority – Cayman is committed to operating within the legal framework stipulated by the Cayman Islands Government. Our operations are governed by the Water Authority Law (18 of 1982) (1996 Revision) and the Water Authority Regulations (2007 Revision).

#### Governance

- Water Authority Law (18 of 1982) (1996 Revision)
- Water Authority Regulations (2007 Revision)
- Water Production & Supply Law (15 of 1979) (1996 Revision)

#### **Corporate Management**

- Annual Reports
- Business Plans
- Hurricane Preparedness Plan
- Contracts & Agreement Documents
- Tender Documents
- Capital Projects & Operations Reports

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

#### **Financial Management**

- Annual Budget
- Financial Statements
- Accounting Procedures

- Contracting Procedures
- Insurance
- Inventory
- Loans
- Management Accounts
- Policy and Procedures
- Salary and Pensions

#### Administration

- FOI
- Press releases, newsletters, other publications
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Human Resources
- Training & Development
- Health & Safety
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- Operations Management
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- Quality Assurance
- Water Resources & Quality Control
- Information Technology

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- Complaints-handling Procedure
- HR Policies and Procedures
- Labour Law (2007 Revision) & Regulations
- FOI Internal Procedures

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- Permits & licences
- Consultation Reports

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- Register of Canal Works Permit
- Register of Cesspool Emptier's Licence
- Register of Quarry Permits
- Register of Licenced Well Drillers

- List of Registered Water Plants
- List of Registered Plumbers:
  - o Master Plumbers 2010
  - o Journeyman Plumbers 2010
  - Apprentice Plumbers 2010
- FOI Disclosure Log

#### **OUR SERVICES**

The Water Authority of the Cayman Islands provides water and sewerage services to over 15,000 customers in the Grand Cayman districts of George Town, Bodden Town, East End, North Side and the Sister Island of Cayman Brac. Additionally, we carry out development control relating to water, wastewater and groundwater.

#### Water

The Water Authority provides piped potable water to over 14,700 customers in Grand Cayman service area in the districts of George Town, Bodden Town East End and North Side. In Cayman Brac the Authority provides piped potable water in the service area of West End and by truck to all areas of the Brac. Currently we do not operate a water supply system in Little Cayman.

Please visit our website for further information if you would like to apply for water services.

#### Sewerage

The West Bay Beach Sewerage System is operated by the Authority. Public sewerage is provided to all residences and developments along the West Bay Road, between the Walter's Road area and up to Raleigh Quay, except those in the Canal Point, sections of Governor's Harbour, and Snug Harbour developments.

Wastewater is collected in the Authority's sewerage system and pumped to the Grand Cayman Wastewater Treatment Works situated at the end of Seymour Road, adjacent to the George Town Landfill.

Please visit our website for further information if you would like to apply for sewerage services.

#### Laboratory

The Water Authority's Laboratory carries out testing of the Authority's potable water supplies and effluent of the Authority's wastewater treatment plant. The public can also use this service, provided the requests for testing can be accommodated by the Laboratory.

The Water Authority's laboratory services include:

- Quality Control and Quality Assurance of Water Authority's potable water supplies
- Quality Control of effluent disposed in the Cayman Islands

- Analytical support for Water Authority's groundwater monitoring programmes and monitoring of surface and marine water carried out in conjunction with Department of the Environment
- Analytical service for the public (such as potable water quality monitoring for Cayman Water Company, private request to check water quality in cisterns and wells)
- Compliance monitoring for permits issued by the Authority.

In May 2002 the Water Authority Laboratory received accreditation from the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation. The Laboratory is accredited for technical competency in the field of environmental testing in accordance with the ISO/IEC 17025-1999 standard.

#### **Development Control**

The Water Authority plays an important role in review of new development or changes to existing development. Under the Water Authority Law, the Authority is charged with the protection of groundwater and therefore it regulates development in respect of water supply, groundwater abstraction, wastewater treatment and disposal. The Authority also regulates excavation of canals and quarries and licenses well drillers and plumbers.

The Water Authority also carries out the following important functions relevant to developers:

- Public education regarding wastewater treatment and disposal
- Development and implementation of the Authority 's development control policies for wastewater treatment and disposal
- Monitoring of privately operated wastewater treatment plants
- Development of requirements and review of environmental impact assessments carried out by developers

#### **Licencing & Permits**

Under the Water Authority Law, specific activities that affect groundwater require a licence or permit from the Authority. Also certain trades and businesses are required to operate under a licence from the Authority. See below for a listing of the specific registers of permits and licences.

- Canal Works Permit
- Cesspool Emptier's Licence
- Disposal Permit
- Groundwater Abstraction Licence
- Plumber's Licence
- Quarry Permit
- Well Driller's Licence
- Water Plants

#### **List of Forms**

- Job application form
- Application form to apply for water service
- Application form to apply for sewerage service
- Water sampling request form

- Canal Works Permit
- Cesspool Emptiers Licence application form
- Disposal Permit application form
- Groundwater Abstraction Licence application form
- Apprentice Plumber's application Licence
- Journeyman or Master Plumber Exam application form
- Application from to renew an existing WAC Plumber's Licence
- Quarry Permit application form
- Well Drilling Permit application form
- Payment agreement application form
- Report a problem
- Request meter reading
- Change billing address
- Add tenant form
- FOI form

Please refer to our website: www.waterauthority.ky for documents listed in the Publication Scheme or contact the Information Manager or her Designate between 8:30am and 4:30pm Monday to Friday.

#### Contact details:

## **Information Manager**

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# **National Roads Authority Publication Scheme**

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law, 2007 has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The Publication Scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This Publication Scheme commits the NRA to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

## The NRA will:

- Specify the information held by the Authority, which falls into the categories below;
- Proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the Authority and falls within the categories below;
- Describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- List any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- Publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- Make this publication scheme available to the public;
- Regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The NRA will generally **not** publish:

- Information in draft form;
- Information that is not held by the NRA, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorized disposal schedule;
- Information that is not readily available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access:
- Information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted¹ form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

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Information Manager National Roads Authority 342B Dorcy Drive PO Box 10426 Grand Cayman KY1-1004

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Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from Lois Hall-Vaughan at 946-7780 or email at <a href="mailto:lois.hall-vaughan@nra.ky">lois.hall-vaughan@nra.ky</a> or <a href="mailto:foi.nra@gov.ky">foi.nra@gov.ky</a>.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

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# 7. Categories of Information

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#### **ABOUT US**

The NRA was created July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004 by the National Roads Authority Law (2004). The NRA was created to administer, manage, control, develop and maintain the Cayman Islands public roads and related facilities such as signals, storm water facilities, roadway lighting, roadway directional signage, etc. It performs the following: collects information on the performance of the existing transportation system, forecasts future traffic demand, and identifies possible solutions to anticipated issues in system performance and deficiencies. The NRA will publish a long-term National Roads Plan (NRP) every four years to be updated annually. The NRP which is a general planning document will be the provision on which medium to long-term plans for road development will be identified. It also will be used to seek approval for funding of NRP projects that will be implemented according to the objectives of this long-term plan.

A Board of Directors governs the NRA and members of the Board are appointed by the Governor in Cabinet. The Managing Director oversees daily operations, supported by the Deputy Director.

According to the NRA Law, the Managing Director is charged with specifying a threeyear public roads development plan that included construction programmes for new public roads.

## **Ministry**

The NRA operates under the Deputy Premier Mrs. Juliana Connor-Connolly of the Ministry of District Administration, Works & Gender Affairs (DAW&GA), Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman, CAYMAN ISLANDS. The Ministry is responsible for the authority and may give general policy directions to the Board. The

Board is then responsible for enacting NRA policy and the general affairs and business of the Authority.

Mr. Edward Howard

Mr. Michael Barnett

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Finance

**Deputy Managing Director** 

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National Roads Authority

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Mrs. Aldene Kidd-Hylton
Executive Officer/Information Manager Designate
National Roads Authority
PO Box 10426
Grand Cayman KY1-1004
Tel # 1-345-946-7780
Fax # 1-345-946-4151

Website: www.caymanroads.com

#### Organization and Functions

The Mission of the NRA is to contribute to sustainable transport and land development in the Cayman Islands by building and maintaining a safe and efficient network of national roads, in partnership with Cabinet and the Private Sector, having regard to national and economic growth strategies.

The vision of the NRA is that commitment to our mission will enhance the quality of life, promote economic prosperity, and improve access and mobility for all residents and visitors to the Cayman Islands. We will be a recognized leader in the Caribbean for providing high quality roads and transport related infrastructure.

The NRA's primary function is to secure the provision of a safe and efficient network of national roads. It has overall responsibility for the planning and supervision of construction and maintenance of national roads. In addition, the NRA has a number of specific functions under the National Roads Authority Law 2004, including:

- Provision of medium to long term plans for road development that makeup a National Roads Plan (updated every four (4) years)
- Implementation of a management system for planning, organizing, directing and controlling routine and periodic maintenance activities perform by employees of the Authority or through independent contractors
- Securing the carrying out of construction, improvement and maintenance works on national roads
- Carrying out on a permanent basis such necessary engineering traffic and economic studies that it may consider necessary for the maintenance and improvement of public roads
- Training, research or testing activities in relation to any of its functions.

National Roads Authority PO Box 10426 Grand Cayman KY1-1004 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Website: www.caymanroads.com

National Roads Authority

Office location: 342B Dorcy Drive Industrial Park (upstairs CAC Building)

George Town

Operating hours: Monday to Friday – 8:30am to 5:00pm

## Laws and Regulations

- The National Roads Authority Law 2004
- The Roads Law 2005 (Revision)
- The Traffic Law & Regulations 2003

## **Board and Committees**

The NRA Board of Directors

Mr. Colford Scott - Chairman

Mr. Troy Whittaker - Deputy Chairman

This Board meets once a month (or more if required). The Minutes are available on the NRA's website and can also be obtained in a hard copy from the Information Manager. There are two (2) sub-committees of the Board, the Personnel Sub-Committee which reviews HR matters and the Finance Sub-Committee which reviews the finances of the NRA. Select members of the Board are members of both committees.

Members of the Senior Management of the NRA staff also sit on the following committees:

- The Traffic Advisory Committee
- The Aggregate Assessment Committee
- The Utilities Committee
- Hazard Management Cayman Islands
- The Development Planning Review Committee

#### Permits/Licences Granted

The NRA grants permits for the importation, transportation and storage of explosives and also grants licences to blasters in the Cayman Islands.

## **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

The following are proposed policies and procedures of the NRA and are all in draft format:

- Absence Management
- Management of Leave
- Overtime Working, TOIL, Flexible Working, Flexible Hours
- Staff Development
- Capability
- Health & Safety
- Sickness Absence
- Recruitment Selection
- Promotion
- Performance Management
- Discipline & Dismissal
- Redundancy
- Talent Management & Success Planning
- Grievances
- Drug & Alcohol Abuse
- Complaints handling Procedure
- Information Management Policy
- Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Operating policies & procedures
- Standards of service

# STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the Authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the authority's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business procedures and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

#### Governance

- The National Roads Authority Law (2004)
- The Roads Law 2005 (Revision)
- The Traffic Law & Regulations (2003 Revision)
- The Labour Law (2007)
- The Public Management, Finance Law (2005 Revision)
- The National Archive & Public Records Law
- The Freedom of Information Law 2007

## Corporate Management

- Corporate Plans
- Annual Reports
- Audit reports on overall operations and major projects
- Monthly NRA Management Report
- Compliance assessments; inspections; reviews; performance evaluations
- Statistics (collect traffic counts)
- Asset Management (pavement, street lights, storm water management, structure, traffic signs and signals)
- Plans for business continuity, hazard management and disaster recovery
- Access Management Plan (this details access points on primary arterial roads especially the newly constructed Esterley Tibbetts Highway & the East/West Arterial)
- Long-Range Transportation Plan

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. This includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

To finance the NRA, government created a 'Road Fund' with four (4) categories of revenue. These are:

- 20% of the duty collected motor gasoline imported into the Cayman Islands
- 16 2/3% of the duty collected upon diesel oil imported into the Cayman Islands, (excluding diesel used by Caribbean Utilities Co. Ltd.)
- 100% of the fees paid to the infrastructure fund, as outlined in the Development and Planning Law (2003 Revision)
- 80% of the fees paid in respect of the registration of motor vehicles under Part II of the Traffic Law (2003 Revision)

## Financial Management

- Annual Budget
- Financial Statements; monthly reports
- Sources of revenue; payment of invoices
- Accounting procedures; contracting procedures
- Board members allowances and expenses
- List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; recently awarded contracts

## Administration

- Insurance Policies
  - 1. Health Insurance for staff
  - 2. Motor Vehicle Insurance
  - 3. Property Insurance
  - 4. Liability Insurance (Risk Management)
- Press Releases
  - 1. Information regarding road projects
- Job vacancies
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme

## **OUR SERVICES**

The architecture of a country defines its culture; the efficiency of its transportation systems defines its intellect.

Roads are one of the first indicators of the stability and strength of any country's infrastructure. They are the avenues to social and economic growth, providing access to health centres, financial institutions, supermarkets and most importantly, to family and friends.

Not only does the NRA build and maintain roads, we also collect information on the performance of the existing transportation system; forecast future traffic demand; and identify possible solutions to anticipated issues in system performance and deficiencies.

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#### **ELECTRICITY REGULATORY AUTHORITY**

#### **PUBLICATION SCHEME**

# Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice dated 11<sup>th</sup> November 2009

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#### 1. ABOUT THE PUBLICATION SCHEME

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law 2007 has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information and to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Electricity Regulatory Authority to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Electricity Regulatory Authority (hereafter referred to as "the ERA") will:

- specify the information held by the Authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below:
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the Authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish, or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

#### 2. INFORMATION THAT MAY BE WITHHELD

The ERA will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the ERA or information which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorized disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information as defined under the Freedom of Information Law, 2007 in Part 111, Exempt Records, section 21. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, whenever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the ERA's (or another organization's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. METHODS OF ACCESS

Information available under the ERA's publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below and *Section 7: Categories of information* provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### On-line

Some of our documents are published electronically on the ERA website <a href="www.caymanera.com">www.caymanera.com</a> and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If you experience problems locating information listed on this publication scheme as being available on the ERA website  $\underline{www.caymanera.com}$ , please contact  $\underline{general@caymanera.com}$  or telephone the ERA Information Manager on (+1) 345 949 8372 (n.b. +1 345 949 8372 if you are telephoning from outside of the Cayman Islands).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

#### E-mail

If information is listed in the ERA's publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by e-mail. You can e-mail us in English at <a href="mailto:general@caymanera.com">general@caymanera.com</a> or <a href="mailto:foi.era@gov.ky">foi.era@gov.ky</a> to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can telephone you to clarify details if necessary.

#### **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please telephone the ERA Information Manager on (+1) 345 949 8372 or e-mail <a href="mailto:general@caymanera.com">general@caymanera.com</a> to request information.

#### **Post**

Information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests in English may be addressed to:

The Information Manager, Electricity Regulatory Authority,

P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number or e-mail address so that we can contact you quickly to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See *section 4: Fees and charges* for further details.) Any fee submitted via mail should be in the form of a Banker's Draft in Cayman Islands Dollars and not cash or personal cheques.

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme during normal business hours - which are 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (Bank Holidays excepted). If this is a requirement, it will be clearly stated in *section 7:* Categories of information. Appointments to view information may be made by contacting the ERA Information Manager by e-mail at <a href="mailto:general@caymanera.com">general@caymanera.com</a> or by telephone (+1) 345 949 8372

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information / records you want to access, please contact the ERA Information Manager by e-mail at <a href="mailto:general@caymanera.com">general@caymanera.com</a> or by telephone (+1) 345 949 8372

The ERA will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme. Please note that comprehensive access to guidance on the implementation of the Freedom of Information Law, 2007, can be obtained by visiting the website of the Freedom of Information unit at <a href="https://www.foi.gov.ky">www.foi.gov.ky</a>

The ERA will provide information in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the ERA is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

#### 4. FEES AND CHARGES

The purpose of this publication scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The ERA strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published on-line, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by e-mail will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc or for translation into a language other than English. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction, postage and translation, as described below.

There are no publications that the ERA offers for sale. Copies of relevant laws are available for purchase from the Laws Section, Legislative Assembly Building in George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. (Please also see further details on access to copies of the relevant laws in *section 7:* Categories of information of this publication scheme under the title "Governance of the ERA").

Contact details - Laws Section, Legislative Assembly Building, 33 Fort Street, Grand Cayman

P.O. Box 890, Grand Cayman KY1-1103, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone number (+1) 345 949 4236

E-mail contact indianna.watson@gov.ky

#### **Reproduction costs**

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of Cayman Islands' Dollars 1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and Cayman Islands' Dollars 1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of Cayman Islands' Dollars 2.00 per disc.

## Postage costs

The ERA will pass on to the person requesting the information the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within *section 7* : *Categories of information*.

If a fee applies, you will be advised in writing of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the ERA has received your payment.

#### 5. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION OUTSIDE THE PUBLICATION SCHEME

Information held by the ERA that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Requests will be considered and handled in accordance with the provisions of the Cayman Islands' Freedom of Information Law, 2007, and accompanying Regulations.

Requests must be submitted in writing – this can be by letter, e-mail or facsimile or on the Freedom of Information Law 2007 Application Form. This form can be down-loaded from the Freedom of Information Unit's web site <a href="https://www.foi.gov.ky">www.foi.gov.ky</a> or a printed copy of this form can be collected from the ERA's offices between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday (Bank Holidays excepted).

Requests for records from the ERA made under the provisions of the Cayman Islands' Freedom of Information Law, 2007, should be addressed in writing to the ERA Information Manager and can be submitted in any of the following ways:

by mail to P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS

**or** faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598

or e-mailed to general@caymanera.com

or delivered to Suite 4, Grand Pavilion Suites, West Bay Road, Grand Cayman.

When making a request under the provisions of the Cayman Islands' Freedom of Information Law, 2007, please be as specific as possible about exactly which record or records you are requesting as this will help in getting you a prompt response to your request. A daytime contact telephone number for you should be included in your request so that you can be contacted as soon as possible if it is necessary to clarify your request.

In your written request you need to state the following:

- Whether you wish to inspect or view the record or records or
- In which format you wish to receive a copy or copies of the record or records you ask for if you require a copy or copies e.g. photocopy, compact disc, diskette, transcript **and**
- The number of copies required for each record

More information detailing how to request information under the terms of the Cayman Islands' Freedom of Information Law, 2007, can be found in the booklet "Your guide to THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAW 2007 CAYMAN ISLANDS" published by the Cayman Islands' Freedom of Information Unit in 2008 which is available from Government agencies in the Cayman Islands.

The following link to the "Freedom of Information" page of the ERA website will take you to the section in which how to make a request for information is outlined.

http://www.caymanera.com/Publications/hqi.pdf

#### 6. COMPLAINTS

The ERA aims to make our publication scheme easy to use and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to make a complaint about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the ERA Information Manager in writing by e-mail to <a href="mailto:general@caymanera.com">general@caymanera.com</a> or by post to the Information Manager, Electricity Regulatory Authority, P.O. Box 10189 APO, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS and we will deal with your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures and access to the ERA Complaint Form can be obtained from the ERA website at the following link:

http://www.cavmanera.com/index-2.html

Printed copies of the document outlining the Complaints Procedure of the ERA and of the ERA Complaint Form are available for collection from the ERA offices during normal business hours or

may be requested by e-mail to <u>general@caymanera.com</u> or by post from the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS **or** requests for copies could be faxed to the ERA Information Manager at (+1) 345 947 9598.

The ERA does not pursue anonymous complaints or complaints made by telephone.

You have legal rights to access information under this publication scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with the response you receive from the ERA Information Manager or the outcome of an internal review of that response carried out by the ERA.

If you are dissatisfied with the internal review of our decision, or an internal review was not available, you can seek an appeal from the Information Commissioner. The contact details for the Information Commissioner's Office are as follows:

#### Information Commissioner's Office,

2nd Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1, George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: (+1) 345 747 5402 E-mail: <u>appeals@ico.gov.ky</u>

More information on your Right of Appeal can be found on the ERA web site at

http://www.caymanera.com/Publications/roa.pdf

#### 7. CATEGORIES OF INFORMATION

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#### **ABOUT US**

The **Electricity Regulatory Authority (ERA)** is a Statutory Authority of the Government of the Cayman Islands and operates under the **Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture**. A Board of Directors – appointed by the Governor in Cabinet of the Cayman Islands - directs the work of the ERA.

The ERA has three members of staff. The Managing Director – who is also the Secretary of the ERA Board - works full-time and was appointed in May 2005. The Deputy Managing Director works full-time and took up his post on November 23rd, 2009. The post of Freedom of Information Manager and Administrator was filled in April 2008 and is a part-time position.

Managing Director Mr. Philip Thomas, FCCA, NP

Contact <a href="mailto:pthomas@caymanera.ky">pthomas@caymanera.ky</a>

Deputy Managing Director Mr. Louis Boucher

Contact <a href="mailto:lboucher@caymanera.ky">lboucher@caymanera.ky</a>

Information Manager Mrs. Lesley Lawrence

and Administrator Contact general@caymanera.com or foi.era@gov.ky

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West Bay Road, Grand Cayman

Mailing Address Electricity Regulatory Authority, P.O. Box 10189,

Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS

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For Contacting Us and for submitting Complaints

E-mail Address <u>foi.era@gov.ky</u>

For Freedom of Information Requests

ERA website Address www.caymanera.com

Office Hours 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday

(Bank Holidays excepted)

#### **Establishment of the ERA**

The Electricity Regulatory Authority (ERA) was formed by the passing of the Electricity Regulatory Authority Law, 2005 in the Legislative Assembly on the 2nd of March, 2005. This Law was published with Gazette No. 7 dated 4th April, 2005. It was revised on the 12th of July 2005 with the issue of the Electricity Regulatory Authority Law (2005 Revision) and further revised with the issue of the Electricity Regulatory Authority Law (2008 Revision) which was published with Gazette No. 13 dated 23rd June 2008.

#### **Mission Statement of the ERA**

The Electricity Regulatory Authority (ERA) is committed to protecting the rights of electricity consumers in the Cayman Islands to ensure that they receive dependable power supply at the lowest possible cost.

The ERA is committed to the development of electricity from renewable resources to reduce the dependence of the Cayman Islands on diesel fuel.

The ERA is committed - in consultation with other agencies - to the development of environmental and efficiency standards for electricity industry licensees in the Cayman Islands.

## **Functions of the Electricity Regulatory Authority**

The principal functions of the Electricity Regulatory Authority (ERA) are defined under condition 9 (2) of the ELECTRICITY REGULATORY AUTHORITY LAW (2008 Revision).

The ERA is committed to protecting the rights of electricity consumers in the Cayman Islands, and, under Section 9 (5) of the ERA Law (2008 Revision), the Authority shall have regard to the need to permit and promote the use of renewable or alternative forms of energy by consumers so as to reduce the load on any Transmission and Distribution system. The ERA has the power under Section 9 (6) of the ERA Law to establish environmental standards and to ensure that licensees comply with planning standards; and take effective measures to comply with safety and environmental standards.

Section 92 (2) of the Electricity Regulatory Authority Law (2005 Revision) states:- "Notwithstanding subsection (1), nothing in this Law or any other law shall alter the terms of a licence granted prior to the 12th April, 2005 unless the Authority and the licensee agree in writing to such alteration or the licence is otherwise varied by operation of law.'

The result of Section 92 (2) was that the existing electricity providers, Caribbean Utilities Company Ltd. in Grand Cayman - whose licence was issued in January 1986 - and Cayman Brac Power & Light - whose licence was issued in December 2003 - were not subject to the regulations of the ERA Law.

The functions of the ERA at that time were therefore to assist the Cayman Islands Government in negotiating new licences with Caribbean Utilities Company Ltd.

The Electricity Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Law, 2008 was published with Extraordinary Gazette No. 4 dated 8 February 2008.

Two new licences were issued to Caribbean Utilities Company Ltd, on April 3rd, 2008. There is an Electricity Generation Licence and an Electricity Transmission and Distribution Licence. Copies of both licences are available for access on-line in the "Document Library" on the ERA website <a href="https://www.caymanera.com">www.caymanera.com</a> and can be accessed via the following link:

## http://www.caymanera.com/index-4.html

The ERA now regulates the Caribbean Utilities Company Ltd. new licences under the Electricity Regulatory Law (2008 Revision) and Electricity Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Law, 2008. The ERA also conducts the solicitation process for future generating capacity for Grand Cayman, whilst encouraging competition in generation in Grand Cayman and the development of environmental standards and efficiency standards within the industry as required under the law.

Currently the ERA is monitoring three licences (two issued to Caribbean Utilities Company Ltd., Grand Cayman and one issued to Cayman Brac Power & Light Company, Cayman Brac).

#### **Organization of the ERA**

In accordance with the Electricity Regulatory (Amendment) Law (2009 revision), the Governor-in-Cabinet appointed the following persons to the Electricity Regulatory Authority Board to hold office from 13th August 2009 until 13th August 2012 – Mrs. Sherri Bodden as Chairperson, Mr. Kendal Ryan as Deputy Chairman, Mr. Charles Farrington, Mr. Kenneth Hay, Mr. Samuel Jackson, Mr. Darrel Rankine, Mr. Michael Herland, Mr. Samuel Young and Mr. Derrick Tibbetts.

A representative of the Ministry of District Administration, Works, Lands and Agriculture sits on the ERA Board as an Ex Officio member and Mr. Philip Thomas is the Managing Director of the ERA and Secretary of the Board. Technical and Legal Committees were appointed at the first meeting of the newly appointed Board which took place on 26th August, 2009. The members of the ERA Board and the Technical and Legal Committees are listed in the following table.

# **Board and Committees of the ERA**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
ERA Board of Directors  Mrs. Sherri Bodden Chairperson Mr. Kendal Ryan Deputy Chairperson Mr. Charles Farrington Mr. Kearney Gomez MBE, JP Mr. Kenneth Hay Mr. Michael Herland Mr. Samuel Jackson Mr. Darrel Rankine Mr. Philip Thomas Mr. Derrick Tibbetts Mr. Samuel Young	Meetings of the ERA Board of Directors are held once a month at an agreed location in Grand Cayman.  Meetings of the ERA Board of Directors are not open to the public.	Minutes of Board Meetings are not available on-line.  Application may be made in writing for hard copies of the minutes to: The Information Manager, ERA, P. O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002 CAYMAN ISLANDS
ERA Technical Committee  Mr. Charles Farrington Chairperson Mr. Kenneth Hay Mr. Michael Herland Mr. Darrel Rankine Mr. Philip Thomas Mr. Derrick Tibbetts	Meetings of the ERA Technical Committee are generally held on a monthly basis at an agreed location in Grand Cayman.  Meetings of the ERA Technical Committee are not open to the public.	Minutes of Technical Committee Meetings are not available on-line.  Application may be made in writing for hard copies of the minutes to: The Information Manager, ERA, P. O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002 CAYMAN ISLANDS
ERA Legal Committee  Mrs. Sherri Bodden Chairperson Mr. Samuel Jackson Mr. Philip Thomas Mr. Samuel Young	Meetings of the ERA Legal Committee are held when necessary at an agreed location in Grand Cayman.  Meetings of the ERA Legal Committee are not open to the public.	Minutes of the ERA Legal Committee Meetings are not available on-line.  Application may be made in writing for hard copies of the minutes to: The Information Manager, ERA, P. O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002 CAYMAN ISLANDS

#### Governance of the ERA

The Electricity Regulatory Authority is established under the ELECTRICITY REGULATORY AUTHORITY LAW (2008 Revision) which can be accessed on the ERA website via the following link: <a href="http://www.caymanera.com/Publications/eralaw08rev.pdf">http://www.caymanera.com/Publications/eralaw08rev.pdf</a>.

The major responsibilities of the ERA are defined in the ELECTRICITY REGULATORY AUTHORITY LAW (2008 Revision) and Regulations. Under Section 89 of this Law, the ERA has the authority to establish rules and procedures for licensees.

The ERA has responsibilities to comply with the terms of the <u>ELECTRICITY LAW, 2008</u>, the <u>FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAW, 2007</u> and the PUBLIC MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE LAW AND REGULATIONS which can be accessed on-line via the following link:

http://www.centraltenders.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/CTCHOME/POLICY/FINANCIAL%20(AMEN DMENT)%20REGULATIONS%202007.PDF

The ERA also has responsibilities to comply with the terms of THE NATIONAL ARCHIVE AND PUBLIC RECORDS LAW AND REGULATIONS, 2007 which can be accessed on-line via the following link:

http://www.gazettes.gov.ky/pls/portal30/docs/Folder/SITE83/GAZETTES/GS2007/GS972007.PDF

## **Personnel Matters**

All personnel matters affecting ERA personnel are dealt with under the terms of the PUBLIC SERVICE MANAGEMENT LAW (2009 REVISION) and THE PERSONNEL (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2009. Please follow the link below to access The Public Service Management Law (2009 Revision) and the Personnel (Amendment) Regulations, 2009, on-line which can be downloaded at no cost.

http://www.gazettes.gov.ky/pls/portal30/docs/Folder/SITE83/GAZETTES/ES2009/ES362009.PDF

Please see the following tables for information on where to purchase printed copies of these Laws and Regulations and how to access them on-line.

Laws under which the ERA operates	Printed Copy available	e-copy available	
Electricity Regulatory Authority Law (2008 Revision)	From the Legislative Assembly at a cost of Cayman Islands' Dollars 14.40 per copy		
Electricity (Amendment) Law, 2009	From the Legislative Assembly at a cost of Cayman Islands' Dollars 1.60 per copy	On the ERA web site at <a href="http://www.caymanera.com/index-4.html">http://www.caymanera.com/index-4.html</a> No cost to download	
The Freedom of Information Law, 2007	From the Legislative Assembly at a cost of Cayman Islands' Dollars 6.40 per copy	site at	
The Freedom of Information (General) Regulations, 2008	From the Legislative Assembly at a cost of Cayman Islands' Dollars 4.80 per copy	Cayman Islands' Freedom of Information	
The National Archive and Public Records Law, 2007	From the Legislative Assembly at a cost of Cayman Islands' Dollars 4.00 per copy	gazettes web site at the link shown above	
The National Archive and Public Records Regulations, 2007	From the Legislative Assembly at a cost of Cayman Islands' Dollars 2.40 per copy	gazettes web site at the link shown above	
The Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and The Financial (Amendment) Regulations, 2007	From the Legislative Assembly at a cost of Cayman Islands' Dollars 14.40 per copy	On the Cayman Islands' Government web site at the link shown above this table  No cost to download	

Laws under which the ERA operates	Printed Copy available	e-copy available	
The Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)	From the Legislative Assembly at a cost of Cayman Islands' Dollars 8.80 per copy	On the Cayman Islands' Government gazettes web site at the link shown above under the title "Personnel Matters"  No cost to download	
The Public Service Management Personnel Regulations 2006	From the Legislative Assembly at a cost of Cayman Islands' Dollars 14.40 per copy	-	
The Personnel (Amendment ) Regulations, 2009	From the Legislative Assembly at a cost of Cayman Islands' Dollars 1.60 per copy	<b>★</b>	
The Public Service Management (Amendment) Law, 2009	From the Legislative Assembly at a cost of Cayman Islands' Dollars 2.40 per copy	On the Cayman Islands' Government gazettes web site at the link shown above under the title "Personnel Matters"  No cost to download	

The contact details for the Legislative Assembly are as follows:

The Laws Section, Legislative Assembly Building, 33 Fort Street, Grand Cayman

P.O. Box 890, Grand Cayman KY1-1103, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone number (+1) 345 949 4236

E-mail contact indianna.watson@gov.ky

#### CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD BY THE ERA

A Class of Information is a method of collecting together similar types of information. The ERA has grouped its Classes of Information into broad categories by **function** which reflect the ERA's major areas of responsibility.

The main **operational functions** of the ERA are:

# • Licensing of Electricity Generation and Transmission and Distribution companies

The ERA holds records relating to this function grouped alphabetically under the following headings:

Advising;

Dispute Resolution;

Enforcement;

Granting Licences;

Guidance;

Monitoring of existing licences;

Research and Development;

Tendering

# • Regulating of Electricity Generation and Transmission and Distribution licensees

The ERA holds records relating to this function grouped alphabetically under the following headings:

Advising;

Complaints related to electricity providers licensed by the ERA;

Enforcement;

Guidance:

Monitoring;

Policy;

Promoting the use of Renewables;

Research and Development

Requests for access to ERA operational records held under the headings listed above may be made by email to general@caymanera.com or sent by mail to the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS or faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598.

The main **administrative functions** of the ERA on which the ERA holds records are as follows:

- 1. Financial Management
- 2. Human Resources Management
- 3. Information Management
- 4. Secretariat Support
- 5. Strategic Management

# 1. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Records held by the ERA under this administrative function cover the following:

Administering the ERA's monetary resources; managing funds allocated through Cabinet-purchased outputs, Regulatory Fees and other sundry revenues; establishing internal controls and procedures for financial management; operating accounting systems; financial planning and budget management.

These records are organized under the Activities and Records Series listed in the table below.

Activity	Record Series	
Accounting		
	Accounts payable	
	Accounts receivable	
	Banking	
	Ledgers and Journals	
	Financial Secretary	
	Revenue Collection	
Acquisition		
•	Asset Management	
	Asset Register	
	Depreciation Schedules	
	Computer Services	
Auditing		
- U	Audited Financial Statements 2005,	
	2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010	
	and related correspondence	
Budgeting	•	
	Budget 2006/7	
	Budget 2007/ 8	
	Budget 2008/9	
	Budget 2009/10	
	Budget 2010/11	
	Ownership and Purchase Agreements signed with Cabinet for 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010	
Funds	2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010	
Administration		
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Policy	Equity involutions	
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	Financial Management Procedures	
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Remaneration	Payroll	
	Health Insurance	
	Pensions	
Reporting	1 011310113	
Reporting	Monthly FM Reports	
	Annual FM exports	
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Requests for access to records held under the headings in the above table may be made by e-mail to general@caymanera.com or sent by mail to the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS or faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598.

Documents relating to the administration of the Authority's monetary resources – including budgeted income and expenditure are as follows:

• Annual Budget 2010 / 2011 - available on the ERA website www.caymanera.com

Requests for access to copies of the annual budget documents for previous years – starting from 2005 – may be made by e-mail to general@caymanera.com or sent by mail to the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS or faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598.

- **Annual Financial Statements** Half-yearly financial reports (unaudited) are published on the ERA website <a href="https://www.caymanera.com">www.caymanera.com</a>
- Audited Financial Statements 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010

Requests for copies of the half-yearly financial reports (unaudited) and the Audited Financial Statements may be made by e-mail to general@caymanera.com or sent by mail to the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS or faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598.

#### 2. HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

Records held by the ERA under this administrative function cover the Activities and Record Series listed in the table below.

Activity	Record Series		
Development and			
Training			
	Internal Training		
	External Training		
Performance			
Management			
	Agreement and Assessment		
Planning			
	HR Plans		
Policies and			
Procedures			
	HR Policies		
	HR Procedures		
Recruitment			
	Recruitment Exercises		
Staff			
Administration			
	Staff Personnel Files		

Requests for access to records held under the headings in the above table may be made by e-mail to general@caymanera.com or sent by mail to the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS or faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598.

## Other documents relating to ERA Human Resources Administration include the following:

- Insurance policies Contents and Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance
- Documents related to ERA staff vacancies; career opportunities

Details of any ERA staff vacancies are placed on the ERA website under the title "Employment Opportunity" at the following link: <a href="http://www.caymanera.com/home.html">http://www.caymanera.com/home.html</a> and vacancies are advertised in accordance with the requirements of the Labour Laws of the Cayman Islands.

• Staff pay and grading structures

Requests for access to copies of these documents may be made in writing and e-mailed to general@caymanera.com or sent by mail to the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS or faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598.

#### 3. INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

Records held by the ERA under this administrative function cover the following:

Administering the ERA's information resources and systems; designing, procuring and implementing systems for managing and communicating business information, maintaining and disposing of software or hardware; creating or acquiring, storing and disposing of information resources; providing reference services and handling Freedom of Information requests; developing policies, tools and procedures for managing information. Administering communications with the Government and the public; contributing to formal inquiries or investigations; developing public relations through community events, media campaigns and official functions; designing and producing publications in any format including the ERA website.

These records are organized under the Activities and Records Series shown in the table below.

Activity	Record Series
Communications	
	Press Releases
	Promotional information about
	the ERA
	ERA Website
	Gazetted hard copy Publication
	Scheme
	CI Gazettes re the ERA
Handling FOI	
Requests	
1	Implementation guidance
	Correspondence with the FOI
	unit
	Requests for Information
	Disclosure Log
	Requests for FOI data from the
	Ministry
	Communication with the FOI
	Information Commissioner's
	Office
Records	
Management	
	File Plan
	Disposal Schedules
	Electronic Records Management
	Storage of Records

Requests for access to records held under the headings in the above table may be made by e-mail to general@caymanera.com or sent by mail to the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS or faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598.

#### 4. SECRETARIAT SUPPORT

Records held by the ERA under this administrative function cover the following:

Administering or providing administrative services to the ERA Board and ERA Committees. Includes records of the establishment of the Board and Committees, appointment of members, terms of reference, proceedings, agendas and minutes. This section also holds records relating to the Secretariat Support for the National Energy Policy Committee.

These records are organized under the Activities and Records Series shown in the table below.

Activity	Record Series	
Advising		
	The Governor in Cabinet	
	ERA Board of Directors	
	ERA Technical Committee	
	ERA Legal Committee	
	Government Agencies	
	Inquiries from the public	
Arrangements		
	Meetings	
	Accommodation	
	Catering	
	Travel	
	Insurance	
Establishment		
	ERA Board of Directors	
	ERA Technical Committee	
	ERA Legal Committee	
	The National Energy Policy	
	Committee	
Proceedings		
	ERA Board of Directors Meetings	
	ERA Technical Committee Meetings	
	ERA Legal Committee Meetings	
	The National Energy Policy	
	Committee	

Requests for access to records held under the headings in the above table may be made by e-mail to general@caymanera.com or sent by mail to the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS or faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598.

## 5. STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Records held by the ERA under this administrative function cover the following:

Administering the ERA's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and policy: setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the ERA's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programmes to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the ERA's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources. Includes executive support, internal policy development, planning and annual reporting activities; and obtaining advice from consultants.

These records are organized under the Activities and Records Series shown in the table below.

Activity	Record Series
Assessment	
	HOD Reports to Ministry
Complaints	
	Complaints Procedure re complaints
	about the ERA
Hazard	
Management	
	Hazard Management Plan
Planning	
	Obtaining Legal Advice
	Portfolio and HOD Meetings
	Obtaining Advice from Consultants
	Setting short, medium and long term
	goals

Requests for access to records held under the headings in the above table may be made by e-mail to general@caymanera.com or in writing and posted to the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS or faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598.

#### POLICIES and PROCEDURES of the ERA

Current written protocols used by the ERA for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services include:

• Complaints-handling procedure – in accordance with the recommendations of the Office of the Complaints' Commissioner.

Information on the ERA Complaints Procedure can be accessed on the "Complaints" page of the ERA website via the following link: <a href="http://www.caymanera.com/index-2.html">http://www.caymanera.com/index-2.html</a>.

Printed copies of the document outlining the Complaints Procedure of the ERA and of the ERA Complaint Form are available for collection from the ERA offices during normal business hours or may be requested by e-mail to <a href="mailto:general@caymanera.com">general@caymanera.com</a> or by post from the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS **or** requests for copies could be faxed to the ERA Information Manager at (+1) 345 947 9598.

- HR policies and procedures in accordance with the guidelines of the Portfolio of the Civil Service
- Records management policy in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice on Record Management, the National Archive and Public Records Law, 2007 and the Freedom of Information Law, 2007.
- Disposal schedule (records retention policy) in accordance with the regulations issued by the Cayman Islands National Archive.

#### **DECISIONS and RECOMMENDATIONS of the ERA**

Proposals, recommendations, resolutions and decisions are recorded in the minutes of the meetings of the ERA Board of Directors, the ERA Technical Committee and the ERA Legal Committee.

Minutes of the ERA Board Meetings and meetings of the ERA Technical and Legal Committees are not available on-line.

Application may be made in writing for hard copies of the minutes to:

The Information Manager, Electricity Regulatory Authority, P. O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS

#### LISTS and REGISTERS of the ERA

Asset Register

Requests for access to the ERA Asset Register may be made by e-mail to general@caymanera.com or sent by mail to the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS or faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598.

- Register of Directors and Officers published on the ERA website "About Us" page and in the
  Gazette at the following link:
   <a href="http://www.caymanera.com/Publications/ERA%20Board%20of%20Directors%20August%202009.pdf">http://www.caymanera.com/Publications/ERA%20Board%20of%20Directors%20August%202009.pdf</a>
- Freedom of Information disclosure log
   In compliance with the implementation guidance of the Freedom of Information Unit, the ERA
   maintains a Freedom of Information disclosure log which can be found on the ERA website at
   http://www.caymanera.com/Publications/dlog.pdf

# **SERVICES of the ERA**

- Monitoring and Regulating of Licensees These are the main functions of the ERA as defined under the ERA Law (2008 Revision)
- Licensing of Generators of electricity and Transmission and Distribution Suppliers in the Cayman Islands

# The ERA is funded from two sources:

1. Regulatory Fees which are based on half of one percent of the gross revenues of the Grand Cayman Transmission and Distribution Licensee billed to consumers on a monthly basis as defined in the Transmission and Distribution Licence. A copy of this licence is on-line on the "Generation Solicitation / Publications" page of the ERA website <a href="www.caymanera.com">www.caymanera.com</a> and can be accessed via the following link:

http://www.caymanera.com/Publications/cuctdlic08finl.pdf

2. Fees billed to Cabinet for outputs provided in accordance with the purchase agreement signed with Cabinet. These are listed in the Government budgets for each year and can be accessed online on the Cayman Islands' Government website at www.gov.ky at the following link:

http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1593653&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

Documents relating to the monitoring and regulation of licensees can be found in the "Document Library" on the ERA website <a href="www.caymanera.com">www.caymanera.com</a> at the following link:

http://www.caymanera.com/index-4.html

Solicitations for additional generating capacity are carried out by the ERA on an international basis based on a "Certificate of Need" supplied by the Transmission and Distribution supplier. All relevant documents related to the solicitation are published on the "Generation Solicitation / Publications" page of the ERA website www.caymanera.com and can be accessed via the following link:

http://www.caymanera.com/index-4.html

Requests for copies of documents listed above as being published on-line on the ERA web site can be made by people who do not have internet access by e-mail to the ERA Information Manager at general@caymanera.com or sent by mail to the ERA Information Manager, P.O. Box 10189, Grand Cayman KY1-1002, CAYMAN ISLANDS or faxed to (+1) 345 947 9598.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS submitted to the ERA

Frequently asked questions are generally from companies and individuals requesting information on how they might become licensees to generate electricity in the Cayman Islands. Responses to such questions would refer the company or individual to the relevant section of the ERA Law (2008 Revision).



# **Information & Communications Technology Authority**

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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- 1. About the Publication Scheme
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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the ICT Authority to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

## The ICT Authority will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

One exemption of particular relevance to the Authority and its Licensees is that covering commercially sensitive information. The Authority has handled commercially sensitive information in accordance with the Information & Communications Technology Authority (Confidentiality) Regulations ("the Confidentiality Regulations"). These Regulations state that any person submitting information to the Authority may request that such information be designated "confidential" provided it is accompanied by:

- a. a written justification for the claim of confidentiality, and
- b. either a redacted copy of the document, or a statement as to the existence and general nature of the document, for placing on the public record.

If there is no claim of confidentiality, the Authority may - and normally will - make the information publicly available by publishing it on this web site or providing copies to parties who request them.

The Authority itself, or any third party, may challenge the claim of confidentiality. The originator is given the opportunity to further justify its claim, and then the Authority makes a determination in accordance with the Regulations.

It is the Authority's understanding that, following the introduction of the FOI Law, information provided to the Authority under a confidentiality claim made in accordance with the Confidentially Regulations will continue to be handled in accordance with those Regulations. As before, information for which no such claim is made will be liable to disclosure and now will also be subject to the FOI Law. It should be noted that the FOI Law and the Confidentiality Regulations are very similar, and that both include a "public interest" test. Perhaps the biggest difference is that under the Confidentiality Regulations the ultimate decision on whether or not information should be disclosed is made by the Board of the Authority whilst under the FOI Law it is made by the Information Commissioner.

In addition, the ICT Authority will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the ICT Authority, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive

information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the ICT Authority's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

## Online

Most of our documents are published electronically on our website at www.icta.ky and can be downloaded in various formats. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at www.icta.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact our Information Manager, David Laliberté, at 946-4282 or foi@icta.ky.

## Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi@icta.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call our Information Manager, David Laliberté, on 946-4282 to request information.

## Post

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

David Laliberté
Head of Licensing & Compliance and General Counsel
PO Box 2502
3rd Floor, Alissta Towers
85 North Sound Road
Grand Cayman KY1-1104
Cayman Islands

Tel: +1 345 945 4282 Fax: +1 345 945 8284 Email: foi@icta.ky

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

## Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact our Information Manager, David Laliberté, on 946-4282.

The ICT Authority will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the ICT Authority is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The ICT Authority strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

# Postage costs

The ICT Authority will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the ICT Authority has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the ICT Authority that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be from our Information Manager whose details are given in Section 3 above. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

# 6. Complaints

The ICT Authority aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact our Information Manager, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

The Authority has already published over 1,000 documents on its web site (www.icta.ky); too many to list in this publication scheme. An alphabetical index, menus and a search engine are provided on-line. Anyone without Internet access may seek the assistance of the Authority's staff during normal working hours. The main categories of information are summarized below:

- About Us
- Policy
- Organisation
- Personnel
- Financial Management
- Development and Strategy
- Legislation
- Licensees
- Operations

#### **ABOUT US**

## Name of public authority

Information and Communications Technology Authority

#### Minister

The Board of the ICT Authority reports to the Legislative Assembly through the Minister of District Administration, Works & Gender Affairs (DAW&GA).

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## **Organisation and functions**

The Information and Communications Technology Authority (ICTA) is an independent statutory Authority which was created by the ICTA Law, 2002 and is responsible for the regulation and licensing of Telecommunications, Broadcasting, and all forms of radio which includes ship, aircraft, mobile and amateur radio. The ICTA conducts the administration and management of the .ky domain, and also has a number of responsibilities under the Electronic Transactions Law 2000.

With the enactment of the Information & Communications Technology (ICT) Authority Law on 17th May 2002, the Cayman Islands became one of the first countries in the world to officially recognise the convergence of telephony, radio and broadcasting, the Internet and e-business.

#### **Location and hours**

Information and Communications Technology Authority

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Fax:[345] 945-8284

Email:

General Enquiries: info@icta.ky
Ship, Aircraft and Misc Licensing Matters: licensing@icta.ky
Contributions to Public Consultations: consultations@icta.ky

Business Hours: 8.30am to 5pm, Monday to Friday

## **Board of Directors**

ICT Authority Board members are appointed by the Governor in Cabinet and hold their office for not less than 3 years.

The Board of Directors is responsible for the policy and general administration of the affairs and business of the Authority.

The current Board of Directors was appointed on 15th September 2009 and consists of:

- Mr. Glen Daykin Chairman
- Mr. George Berry Director
- Mr. Alexander Bodden Director
- Mr. Lyndhurst Bodden Director
- Mr. J. Samuel Jackson Director
- Dr. Joseph Jackman Director
- Mrs. Pearlina McGaw-Lumsden Director
- Mr. John Thompson Director
- Mr Paul Tibbetts Director
- Mr David Archbold Managing Director

## Frequently asked questions

The Authority has published a list of Frequently Asked Questions about the regulation of the ICT Sector (and their answers) on its web site at/www.icta.ky/da\_faqs.php.

# **POLICY**

The policy for the Authority, relationships with Government, International Organisations and other jurisdictions. This topic includes:

- Directives to ICTA
- Hazard Management
- Correspondence with CI Government

- Correspondence with Regional and International ICT organisations
- Information on ICT Regulation in other jurisdictions

#### **ORGANISATION**

Office accommodation, office equipment, press releases, establishment, office miscellaneous. This topic includes:

- Establishment
- Accommodation
- Office Equipment
- File Index
- Press Releases
- Misc. Boards & Committees
- Office Miscellaneous

#### **PERSONNEL**

Personnel policy, recruitment, staff files, pensions, and training. This information is not available on-line but may be requested in accordance with the FOI Law. Topics include:

- Policy
- Job Descriptions
- Recruitment
- Pensions
- Work Permits
- Routine Correspondence
- Courses and Seminars
- Temp Staff & Consultants
- Staff Files

## FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Documents relating to the administration of the authority's monetary resources – including projected and actual income, including:

- Accounts Policy
- Asset Register
- Audit
- Bank
- Budgets
- Accounting Forms
- Financial Statements
- Government reporting
- Insurance
- Invoices
- Licence Fees

- Pensions
- Purchases
- Spectrum Fees
- Suppliers

# **DEVELOPMENT AND STRATEGY**

Research, development and statements of regulatory policy matters, including:

- Numbering
- Customs Duty Waiver
- Emergency Services 911
- Forms and Licences
- Information Security
- Internet Café Policy
- License Fees
- Disaster Communications
- Regulatory Structure
- Tech Standards & Certifications
- Access
- Testing
- Accounting Separation
- Bypass
- Payment Gateway
- Imputation Tests
- Directives
- Licensing General
- Ebusiness
- Price Caps
- Quality of Service
- Directories

## **LEGISLATION**

Laws, Regulations, drafting instructions organised as follows:

- Data Protection
- Freedom of Information
- Hansard
- ICTA Law
- ICTA Regulations
- Intellectual Property Rights
- Notice Under s23(2)
- Other Cayman Laws
- Process Rules
- Public Authorities Bill
- Tobacco & Liquor Advertising
- Legal Opinions

#### **LICENSEES**

Matters between the Authority and a single licensee, licence documents and amendments, including:

- Applicants & Potential Licensees
- Archives of ex-Licensees and Applicants
- All current Licensees

#### **OPERATIONS**

The Authority's day-to-day regulatory matters, complaints, fixed licences, ky domain, Board decisions, compliance, including:

- Complaints General Public
- Complaints Licensees
- Compliance
- Fixed Licences
- FAC Model
- ICT Decisions
- ICTA Board
- Interconnection
- KY Domain
- Public Consultations
- Spectrum Management
- Statistics and Financial Reports
- Type Approvals

# **PUBLIC REGISTERS**

In addition to the above, the Authority publishes the following Registers on its web site:

- Licence Applications
- Licences Issued
- Number Ranges allocated to Licensees
- Spectrum Allocations and Assignments



# **Model Publication Scheme**

Ministry of Education, Training and Employment Publication Scheme

Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice

Information Manager: Janet Chisholm



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George Town, Grand Cayman
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The Ministry of Education, Training and Employment will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Ministry of Education, Training and Employment is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

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Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

## Postage costs



The Ministry of Education, Training and Employment will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Ministry of Education has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the publication scheme

Information held by the Ministry of Education, Training and Employment that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

B. For further details please visit <a href="http://www.education.gov.ky">http://www.education.gov.ky</a>

# 6. Complaints

The Ministry of Education, Training and Employment aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Janet Chisholm at (345) 244-3113, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

C. Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from <a href="http://www.education.gov.ky">http://www.education.gov.ky</a>

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building I George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 10727, Grand Cayman KYI-1007, CAYMAN ISLANDS



Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

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- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

# **ABOUT US**

# **M**inistry

Ministry of Education, Training and Employment

# Principle officer [or Key staff]

Hon Rolston M Anglin, MLA - Minister for Education, Training and Employment

Ms Mary Rodrigues - Permanent Secretary & Chief Officer

<u>Vaughan Carter</u> – Deputy Chief Officer (Business planning)

Mrs. Nicola Anderson-Wildman - Chief Financial Officer

Peter Beckford - Chief Human Resources Manager

Steve Durksen – ICT Manager

Christen Suckoo – Deputy Chief Officer, Finance, Administration and Special Units

# **Information Manager**

Mrs. Janet Chisholm Ministry of Education, Training and Employment



c/o Government Administration Building 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Royal Plaza, Cardinall Avenue George Town, Grand Cayman Cayman Islands

Telephone: 244-3113

Email: janet.chisholm@gov.ky, foi.meh@gov.ky

Fax: 949-9343

# **Organisation and functions**

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Fax: 949-9343

Email: education@gov.ky

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Education Standard & Assessment Unit 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Royal Plaza, Cardinall Avenue George Town, Grand Cayman Cayman Islands

The Education Standards and Assessment Unit (ESAU) is the government body responsible for conducting independent evaluations of Cayman's public and private schools.

# **Mailing Address**

PO Box 10039APO, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

Hours: 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

## **Education Services**

Thomas Russell Way, George Town, Grand Cayman

# **Mailing Address**

Box 910GT, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

## **Hours**

8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

# **Employment Relations**

2nd Floor, Royal Plaza, George Town, Grand Cayman

# Mailing Address

Box 2257, Grand Cayman KYI-1107, Cayman Islands

## **Hours**

8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

The Department of Education Services implements the transformation of education in the Cayman Islands while simultaneously ensuring the smooth day to day operation of the Government School System and the strategic development of the capacity of the system to effect further improvement.

The Employment Relations Office deals with ways of Preventing and resolving employment disputes;

Resolving individual disputes over implement rights; Providing impartial information and advice on employment matters; Improving the understanding of employment relations in the Cayman Islands; Providing job placement services for Caymanians, and assisting small business in various ways.



# **National Pensions Office**

Bermuda House, Dr. Roy's Dr, George Town, Grand Cayman

# **Mailing Address**

Box 2182 GT, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

## Hours

8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

National Pensions Office is the regulatory body of private pension plans in the Cayman Islands, and proactively meet service delivery standards and address evolving needs while balancing the interests of employees, other beneficiaries, legislators, employers, and administrators.

## **National Archive**

37 Archive Lane (Crewe Rd. and Thomas Russell Way), George Town, Grand Cayman

# **Mailing Address**

Gov't Admin Bldg, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

## Hours

8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

The National Archive has responsibilities to establish rules and procedures, as defined in The Financial Regulations section 43(2); The Personnel Regulations section 49(3); and The Freedom of Information Law section 52(3).

## **Sunrise Centre**

West Bay, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

# **Mailing Address**

Box 100WB, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

# Hours

8:30 to 5:pm, Monday to Friday

Sunrise Adult Training Centre is a government agency in the Cayman Islands that, provides training, support, and services for the empowerment, employment and independence of adults with disabilities through a team of dedicated and caring staff. Sunrise Adult Training Centre advocates for the rights of, and promotes public. Sunrise Adult Training Centre advocates for the rights of, and promotes public Acceptance of adults with disabilities as contributing members of society.



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68 Edward Street, George Town, Grand Cayman

# **Mailing Address**

P. O. Box 1172, Grand Cayman, KYI–1102, CAYMAN ISLANDS

# Hours

8:30 to 5:pm, Monday to Friday

The Cayman Islands Public Library is committed to encouraging life-long learning, literacy and the joy of reading within the population of the Cayman Islands

# **Boards and committees**



Name		Meetings	Minutes
Investors in People Council Permanent Secretary ET&E Miss Sheena Glasgow Mr Mario Ebanks Mr Wil Pineau Mr Graham Wood Ms Stacey VanDevelde Mr Joey Ebanks Mrs Deborah Bergstrom Mr Kevin Lloyd Mr Christopher Watler Ms Claudia Glawe-Haberland	Chairman Member	Meeting are held monthly, or as needed.	Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by requesting a copy in writing from the Information Manager at the below address: Information Manager Janet Chisholm 3rd Floor Royal Plaza Cardinal Ave George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands  Email: foi.meh@gov.ky

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Tertiary Education Council		Meeting are	hard copy and can be
Mrs. Berna Murphy (representing commerce)	Chairman	held monthly, or as needed.	obtained by requesting a copy in writing from the
Mr. Taron Jackman (representing the accounting profession)	Deputy-Chai	rman	Information Manager at the below address:
Mrs. Mary Rodrigues (Minister's representative)	Member		Information Manager Janet Chisholm 3rd Floor Royal Plaza
Mr. Terrence Outar (Financial Secretary's representative)	Member		Cardinal Ave George Town, Grand Cayman,
Mr. Isaac Rankine (representing the telecommunications industry)	Member		Cayman Islands
Ms Krishan Welcome (representing the legal profession)	Member		Email: foi.meh@gov.ky
Ms Janet Farrington (HR professional)	Member		
Dr Livingston Smith (Faculty representative)	Member		
Dr Alan Sprince (representing	Member		



academia and the CI Law School)	
Ms Lucille Kong (UCCI Librarian)	Secretary
Dr Brian Chapell, Acting President	Ex-Officio

# Frequently asked questions

# How do I make a FOI request?

An application must:-

Be made in writing (email, fax, letter or filling out an FOI request form), to the Ministry of Education, Training and Employment Office at the following address:

Address: c/o Government Administration Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Royal Plaza, Cardinall

Avenue, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

Email: foi.meh@gov.ky
Telephone: 345-244-2417

FOI request cannot be made over the telephone.

# Do I need to complete a form?

No, just write a letter or send an e-mail message with as much detail as possible about the records you want.

How long will it take the Ministry of Education, Training and Employment to respond to my request? Under FOI Law, agencies have 30 working days to answer a request.

# How do I know if Ministry of Education, Training and Employment has withheld records from me?

The FOI Manager will tell you in its response letter if records or parts of records you requested have been withheld and which exemptions apply.

# What happens if the Ministry of Education, Training and Employment does not have the records I want?

The FOI Manager will tell you in writing if they are unable to locate records you requested.



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#### What are the fees for filing a FOI request?

There are no fees associated with FOI request made to the Ministry of Education, Training, and Employment at this time.

# How can I reach the Ministry of Education, Training and Employment FOI Office?

The FOI Manager, Janet Chisholm can be reached by phone at (345) 244-2417.

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#### Where is the Ministry's Reading Room Located?

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# What is the difference between the Ministry of Education and the Education Department?

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#### How do I apply for an Overseas Government Scholarship?

A complete application form must be submitted to the Ministry of Education, Training and Employment by March 31 prior to the start of programme. This application is accessible at <a href="https://www.education.gov.ky">www.education.gov.ky</a>.

#### Can I get a scholarship for online study?

Scholarships for online study are only awarded for graduate programmes. Undergrad online programmes are not supported.

#### How much money can I get each year to study overseas?

For undergraduate programmes one need get up to CI\$20,000 per annum for up to two years.

For Masters programmes one can get up to CI\$25,000 per annum for up to 2 years.

# After completion of studies oversea, does one have to return to the Islands and work for the Government?

One is bonded to the Cayman Islands in general not specifically to the government.



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- 2. appeal to the to the Information Commissioner who rehears the matter, and if still dissatisfied,
- 3. appeal by way of judicial review to Grad Court.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

#### Governance

#### **Reports**

- Mathematics in Government Primary
- Pre-tender follow conference report
- New Cayman High School pre-tender conference
- Special Education Needs Report

The above reports can be found at: http://www.education.gov.ky

- ✓ Public Management and Finance Law/Financial Regulations (2003 Revision) The Financial Regulations, 2004
- ✓ Public Service Management Law, 2005 HR Law
- ✓ Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- ✓ Public Service Management Law, 2005 (Law 27 of 2005) Personnel Regulations, 2006
- ✓ Freedom of Information Law (Law 10 of 2007)
- ✓ Freedom of Information (General) Regulations 2008

The above laws and regulations can be accessed from the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly Office.

Employment Information and Human Resources Activity Annual Report: (retrievable from the link below). http://www.gov.ky



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#### **Corporate management**

Annual reports - <a href="http://www.gov.k">http://www.gov.k</a>

# Audit reports on overall operations or major projects <a href="http://www.gov.ky">http://www.gov.ky</a>

Plans for business continuity, hazard management and disaster recovery Please contact Freedom of Information Manager at (345) 244-2417 for access to this document.

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

#### Financial management

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- √ Finance and Accounting
- ✓ Annual Budget
- ✓ Financial statements; quarterly reports/annually
- ✓ Annual plan & estimates
- ✓ Sources of revenue; Investments; Capital programme
- ✓ List of current tenders recently-awarded contracts

Financial documents can be accessed by contacting the Information Manager at (345) 244-2417.

#### Administration

#### Human Resource Management Policies and Procedures Manual

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The Public Service Management Law http://www.gazettes.gov.ky

#### Press releases

http://www.education.gov.ky

Job vacancies; career opportunities

http://www.education.gov.ky/



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#### Staff pay and grading structures

http://www.gov.ky/pls/

#### Records management file plan or classification scheme

Available upon request from Information Manager at (345) 244-2417

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

INTERNAL COMPLAINTS PROCEDURES
EXTERNAL COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE
GENERAL COMPLAINTS FORM

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#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- National Curriculum for Schools: Overview
- ➤ International Baccalaureate
- > 2008 national Curriculum documents
- > The national Consensus on the future of Education in the Cayman Islands.
- > New Module for the Governance of Education Services.

http://www.education.gov.ky

#### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

List of public authorities

- Department of Education
- o Department of Employment Relations
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#### **Asset Register**

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#### FOI disclosure log

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#### **OUR SERVICES**

Inspecting; Investigating; Monitoring; Regulating Scholarships

#### **Applications Registering**

- Local application form
- Oversees Application form
- Priority Areas of Study 2007-08

#### **Other Scholarship Opportunities**

On occasion the Ministry of Education, Training, Employment, Youth, Sports & Culture is able to promote additional scholarship opportunities on behalf of a third-party.

- Scholarships Opportunities in the Maritime Sector
- Mediterranean Institute of Management (Cyprus) CFTC Scholarship
- OAM Paul F. Fenton Scholarship Award

http://www.education@gov.ky

#### Classes of Information

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	Communication &	Conferencing Equipment
	Technology (ICT).	
Finance	Budget & Reports	Service Level Agreement,
		Invoices
Human Resources	Employee Relations	External Development Training,
		Human Resources Management
Administration	Departmental	Education, Pensions,
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## Publication Scheme for the Department of Employment Relations

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The FOI Manager

Department of Employment Relations

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- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
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- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

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#### Organisation and functions

#### **MISSION**

The mission of the Department of Employment Relations (DER) is:

To develop a highly skilled, productive workforce able to compete effectively in the global economy through advising, educating and training and through the promotion of harmonious labour relations, while ensuring that the rights and dignity of both employers and employees are protected.

#### **VISION**

"National Development through People Development"

#### **GUIDING VALUES**

We seek to resolve conflicts, maximise agreement and encourage employment policies and practices that contribute to improvements in performance, organizational effectiveness and quality of working life. In helping employers and employees to develop positive ways of working together and promoting employee involvement, we will:

- Act independently, impartially and with integrity.
- Respect confidentiality.
- Be accessible to all and respond promptly to all requests for information or assistance.
- Use resources cost effectively within budgets.
- Continue to develop a highly motivated and committed workforce able to deliver our services courteously, efficiently and effectively.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

In working towards our mission we provide a number of key services as follows:

- Preventing and resolving employment disputes.
- Resolving individual disputes over implement rights.
- Providing impartial information and advice on employment matters.
- Improving the understanding of employment relations in the Cayman Islands.
- Providing job placement services for Caymanians.
- Assisting small business in various ways.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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Cayman Islands

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Fax number: (345)-945-3115 Email address: der.jobs@gov.ky

Website address www.employmentservices.gov.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Royal Plaza, Cardinal Avenue,	<ul><li>Job Placement</li><li>Programmes</li><li>Labour Market Research</li></ul>	

Conciliation & Mediation
Training and
Development
Labour Tribunals
Labour Appeals
Tribunals
Occupational Health and
Safety

#### **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
	Labour Tribunals are	
Labour Appeals	scheduled	Hearing are closed form
Tribunal	generally twice a week or	the public
	when the members can	
	convene.	
Labour Appeals	Labour Appeals Tribunals	Hearing are not open to
Tribunal	are scheduled generally	the public.
	twice a week or when the	
	members can convene	

# Frequently Asked Questions

Am I entitled to vacation pay and if so, how much am I entitled to?

You are entitled to vacation pay as follows: For 1 to 4 years of service to the same employer, you are entitled to 2 weeks of pay; for 5 to 9 years, you are entitled to 3 weeks of pay; for 10 and more years, you are entitled to 4 weeks of pay.

Am I entitled to public holiday pay?

If you have worked on a public holiday, you are entitled to be paid at double time. If, however, you have not worked on a public holiday, but you have worked the shift before and after the holiday, you are entitled to be paid a straight wage for that holiday.

 Am I entitled to overtime pay and if so, how is it computed?

If you have worked in excess of 9 hours a day, or 45 hours a week, you are entitled to overtime pay. The pay is computed based on time and one half for each hour of overtime work.

 Am I entitled to maternity leave and if so, how much am I entitled to?

You are entitled to up to 12 weeks of maternity leave, with full pay for the first twenty working days (3 weeks), and half pay for the following 20 working days (3 weeks).

Am I entitled to sick leave and if so, how many days am

#### entitled to?

You are entitled to sick leave after completing a probationary working period. The total entitlement is 10 days per year.

#### Can I file a complaint for unfair dismissal?

If you believe that you were terminated unfairly, you do have the right to file a complaint for unfair dismissal, providing you are not on probation.

#### What are the consequences of unfair dismissal?

If a complaint is taken to a Labour Tribunal and, and it is found that an employee was terminated unfairly, the employee will be awarded compensation.

#### What is severance pay and how is it computed?

Severance pay is awarded as an appreciation of an employee's years of service. The amount to be paid is calculated at a rate of one week's pay (based on the employee's current weekly pay) per year of service, up to a maximum of 12 weeks.

#### What is notice pay?

Should an employer desire to terminate an employee, that employer is obligated by law to give notice to the employee. Similarly, should an employee decide to leave, he or she is obligated by law to give notice to the employer. After giving notice, the employer then has the option to either allow the employee to work out the notice period, or the employer can pay the employee in lieu of working for the period.

Correspondingly, the employee can either work for the period of notice, or pay the employer in lieu of working.

How much notice should one be given?

The amount of notice is determined by the time interval between an employee's pay period. That is to say, for example, if the employee is paid weekly, there should be a week's notice given, or if he or she is paid monthly, there should be a month's notice given. If the employee is not paid on a set interval, the written notice should as specified in the employee's contract.

 Can monies be deducted from one's salary and what's the maximum that can be deducted at any one time?

Only monies authorized by the employee, such as pensions, insurance, and short falls in cash, can be deducted from his or her salary. The maximum deduction that can be made at any one time is one third of the employee's salary.

 Does an employer have the right to suspend without pay?

An employer can suspend an employee without pay only if the employee has been previously given a written warning.

## Do I need to See a Labour Officer?

You may seek advice regarding the Employment Relations Law, file a complaint and or an incident report for any of the following reasons:

 If you have been terminated and you're of the opinion that it was unfair.

- If you're about to or have terminated an employee and you're not sure if you've followed the right procedures.
- If you've been suspended with/without pay.
- If you have completed a minimum of one year of employment and have been terminated without having been paid severance pay.
- If you've worked on a public holiday and were not paid at double pay or if you've worked the schedule shift before and after the public holiday (despite not working on the holiday) and were not paid at straight wage for the holiday.
- If you've completed a twelve-month period of employment and have not been paid vacation pay.
- If you've worked in excess of nine hours per day or forty-five hours per week and have not been paid overtime pay.
- If more than one third of your salary is being deducted to service a debt without your consent.
- If you've been terminated or laid off without notice.
- If you've given birth to a child and have not been paid partial/maternity leave.
- If you've experienced a death to a family member (mother, father, spouse or child) and have not been given compassionate leave.
- If you're of the opinion that you're being discriminated against in any way, shape, or form.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The key strategic goals and objectives Department of Employment Relations in the Cayman Islands are:

- A. To develop a highly skilled, productive workforce that is built on the foundation of harmonious labour relations in the commitment to lifelong learning, while protecting the fundamental rights and dignity of workers.
- **B.** To maximize the ability of unemployed Caymanians to find work.
- C. To ensure people have the necessary skills to enter into and compete in the labour market.
- **D.** To develop programs that meet the market need for skills training.
- **E.** To prepare people for changes in the labour market.
- **F.** To make high quality labour market information available.
- **G.** To provide beneficial services, such as independent advice, assistant in training to business, as well as potential employers and employees.
- **H.** To create the necessary framework for learning, training and improving qualifications.
- I. To provide leadership across Government in the development of a labour market development strategy that addresses skills shortages and is linked to Government's economic strategy.
- **J.** To help individuals and businesses adapt to economic change.
- **K.** To monitor and evaluate the impact of policies and strategies.
- L. To develop programs those are integrally linked to the achievement of

- broader economic performance, employment and social goals.
- M. To contribute substantially to other policy measures directed towards sustaining a fundamentally sound economy that is able to adjust to external shocks and designed to decrease unemployment.
- N. To promote the link between quality of workplace relations and business economic performance.
- O. To have a positive impact on the community, organizations, businesses and individuals.
- **P.** To promote the use of information technology to improve the efficiency of the labour market.
- Q. To promote and maintain the highest degree of social, physical, and mental well being of all workers.
- **R.** To prevent among workers adverse effects on health caused by working conditions.
- **S.** To ensure a safe and healthy working environment for all workers.

#### Governance\*

- Labour Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- La Complaints-handling procedure
- HR policies and procedures
- Public Accountants Law (2009 Revision) International Public Accounting Standards
- Information management policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Market Operating policies and procedures; Standards of service
- Labour Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- Public Service Management Law
- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- Electronic Transactions Law 2003 revision
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Workmen's Compensation Law (1996 Revision)
- Immigration Law (2006 Revision) and Regulations
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2005 Revision)
- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision) and Regulations
- Other Local Laws and Regulations

<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

#### Corporate Management\*

- Annual reports
- Audit reports on overall operations or major projects
- Compliance assessments; inspections; reviews; performance evaluations
- Statistics\*\*
- Risk management assessments
- Hurricane Plan Plans for business continuity, hazard management and disaster recovery: this is found in our Employee Manual
- \* Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager
- \*\* Specialized reports can be created to collate specific information when necessary

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies. Principal accounting polices are adopted and are prepared in accordance with International Public Accounting Standards.

#### Financial management\*

- Finance and Accounting
- Annual Budget
- Financial statements; Half-yearly / quarterly reports
- Sources of revenue; Investments; Capital programme
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures
- Board members allowances and expenses

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#### Administration\*

- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Training and Safety
- Information Technology
- Human Resources
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- \*Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES\***

Labour Law (2007 Revision)

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#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS\***

- Board Meeting
- Minutes of meetings
- Evaluation procedures
- Assessment criteria

#### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

- Asset Register\*
  - Register of interests
  - Schedule of Vehicles

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#### **OUR SERVICES\***

As specified in our mission statement The Department of Employment Relations Cayman Islands is responsible for Conciliation & Mediation and Arbitration, respectively.

#### Conciliation:

The act of reconciling or bringing together the parties in a dispute with the aim of moving forward to a settlement acceptable to all sides.

#### Mediation:

Acting as an intermediary in talking to both sides. The aim is for parties to resolve the problem between themselves but the mediator will make suggestions along the way.

The main activities of the Department, for an optimum harmonisation of employment relations in line with the Ministry's policy, are, inter alia, to:

- a) Effect preventative visits to enterprises and inquire into complaints of workers.
- b) Advise in workers/employees and employers. Owners of enterprises on employment relations issues.
- c) Assist in workers' educations programs through delivery of lectures.
- d) Provide a conciliation/mediation service for settlement of employment disputes.
- e) Process cases for referent to the employment tribunal under Section 82 of the Employment Law.
- f) Monitor stoppage of work and liaise with the Attorney General's Office on legal issues.
- g) Compile and submit statistical information to the Ministry regarding above activities.
- h) Keep basic records on trade unions, non-union affiliated enterprises, labour force and profile of organizations/enterprises.



#### **Publication Scheme**

Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the National Pensions Office to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The National Pensions Office will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

#### 2. Information that may be withheld

The National Pensions Office will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
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- information that is not readily available, for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.
- Information which under the National Pensions Law is not available to the general public

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the National Pensions Office's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

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#### Online

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#### <u>Phone</u>

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#### Post

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In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

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#### **ABOUT US**

#### Name of public authority

The National Pensions Office is the regulatory body of private pension plans in the Cayman Islands; we proactively meet service delivery standards and address evolving needs while balancing the interests of employees, other beneficiaries, legislators, employers, and administrators.

#### **Ministry**

The National Pensions Office operates under the Ministry of Education, Training and Employment.

#### **Chief Officer**

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Information Manager Designate: Ms. Dorcas Watson

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FOI Website: www.foi.gov.ky

#### **Organisation and functions**

#### **Our Mission**

The National Pensions Office's mission is to ensure the effective and efficient administration, implementation and evolution of the National Pensions Law and Regulations.

#### **Statutory Duty**

The National Pensions Office, formerly the Office of the Superintendent of Pensions, was established by section 79 of the National Pensions Law ("the NPL").

Section 79 (2) of the NPL, also establishes the responsibilities of the Superintendent and states: The Superintendent is the Chief Administrative Officer of the National Pensions Board and shall exercise the powers and perform the duties that are vested in or imposed upon the Superintendent by this Law and the regulations.

The National Pensions Board is established under section 78 of the NPL and has the following duties, under section 80 of the NPL:

#### The Board shall-

- (a) administer this Law and the Regulations;
- (b) promote the establishment, extension and improvement of pension plans throughout the Islands;
- (c) advise the Minister in respect of the business of the Board; and
- (d) make recommendations to the Minister in respect of pension plans.

National Pensions Board	Meetings	Minutes
Mr. Orren Merren, Chairman Mr. Kimbert Solomon, Deputy Chairman Mr. William Adam, Member Mr. Vaughan Carter, Member Ms. Deloris Gordon, Member Miss Philippa McFarlane, Member Ms. Sherrilyn Bush, Member Mr. Eddie Bodden, Member Mr. John Pitcairn, Member	Meetings are usually held every month and are not open to the public.	Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by requesting a copy in writing from the Information Manager

#### Frequently Asked Questions - General

#### As an employer, do I have to provide a pension plan for my employees?

Yes, participation in a pension plan is mandatory. Employers must provide a pension plan for those eligible employees and can be subject to a fine if they do not. Additional information is available on our website, www.npo.gov.ky

#### • Who must participate?

An eligible employee is any employee or self-employed person between 18 and 60 years of age who is:

- Caymanian,
- A permanent resident, or
- A non-Caymanian with 9 months of continuous employment.

The only exceptions to providing pension coverage apply to:

- Non-Caymanians who have not completed 9 months of continuous employment on the Islands (not necessarily with the same employer), or
- Those employed to do housework in private residences

Those working at more than one job must participate on all their jobs

#### Where can I find a pension plan for my employees?

Employers may register their own plan with the NPO or participate in one of the registered Multi-Employer Pension Plans.

#### Who offers a Pension Plan?

Employers may register their own plan with the NPO or participate in one of the following Multi-Employer Pensions Plans:

- British American (345) 949-5811
- British Caymanian (345) 949-8699
- Cayman National Trust (345) 640-9263
- Chamber of Commerce (345) 745-7630
- Fidelity (345) 949-7822
- Silver Thatch (345) 943-7770

#### As an employer, how much must I contribute?

At the minimum, an employer must contribute 5% of an employee's earnings, up to the annual maximum pensionable earnings of \$60,000. Self-employed persons must contribute a minimum of 10% of their pensionable earnings to a registered pension plan.

#### Does the employee have to contribute?

In consultation with the employees, the employer selects the pension plan to be utilised. The employee may contribute a maximum of 5% of their earnings up to the annual maximum pensionable earnings of \$60,000. <u>Together, the employer and employee contributions must total at least 10% of pensionable earnings.</u> Pensionable earnings are defined to include wages, salary, leave pay, commissions, bonus (with exceptions) and gratuities.

It is the employer's responsibility to deduct and submit the pension contributions to the selected pension plan.

#### • When are the contributions due and payable?

Both the employer and employee contributions must be paid by the 15th of the month immediately following the month to which the contributions pertain. For example, any contributions deducted or collected in April must be paid by May 15.

Late payments are subject to interest which is calculated at the C.I. Prime Rate plus 5% (enshrined in the law). This interest calculation begins the day after the contributions are due, in our example that would be May 16.

In addition, if the Superintendent has directed an employer to pay arrears within two weeks and if they fail to comply, the employer may be liable to a fine of \$500 for each day that the contributions are in arrears.

#### What is the retirement age?

The normal retirement age under a pension plan submitted for registration under the National Pensions Law shall be within 12 months of attaining sixty years of age.

#### • What if I change employers and they have a different pension plan?

In this circumstance, you have the option of leaving the pension contributions in the original plan or subject to approval, you may have the money transferred into the new plan. Either way you will be required to join and begin contributing to the new plan.

#### • When is an employee entitled to a refund?

A member of a pension fund can be entitled to a refund if the following conditions are satisfied:

- A member's employment is terminated.
- That member ceases to reside in the Islands.
- No contributions have been made to a pension plan by or on behalf of the member for a period of two years or more.

#### What will the refund include?

Under a defined contribution plan, a lump sum payment of an amount equal to not less than the amount of contributions made on or behalf of a member and the investment earnings on the contributions made under the pension plan. In the case of a defined benefit plan, the amount is a commuted value based calculation.

## Frequently Asked Questions – Pensions Holiday

Is it necessary for each employee to submit the documentation in order to participate in the pension holiday period?

Yes. The pension holiday period is specific to the employer and that particular employee therefore if multiple employees want to participate then, each employee with that employer would have to submit the required documentation including the application, proof of nationality and the written agreement.

Can someone be forced to participate in the pension holiday period?

No. Both the employer and the employee must voluntarily agree to participate in the holiday, which is documented in writing when each party signs the written agreement. If an employee feels that they were forced to sign the agreement, the employee should contact the National Pensions Office.

Is there a set timeframe to apply for the pension holiday?

No. The employee and employer can apply for the pension holiday at anytime during the employee's eligible period, which is 1 year (or until 25<sup>th</sup> April 2011) for Caymanians and 2 years (or until 25<sup>th</sup> April 2012) for non-Caymanians.

Does the pension holiday period apply to new employees as well as current employees?

Yes. A new employee must voluntarily decide if they want to participate in the pension holiday period. If so, then that employee and the employer will submit the necessary documentation to the pension plan administrator. If the new employee or the employer don't want to participate, then mandatory pension contributions would be required, as per the National Pensions Law (2000 Revision).

Where should an employer or employee direct any further questions?

Further information can be obtained from your pension plan administrator or the National Pensions Office, which can be reached at 945-8960 or via email, npo@gov.ky.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

#### Governance

- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision)<sup>2</sup>
- National Pensions (Actuarial and Fund Management) Regulations (1998 Revision)<sup>2</sup>
- National Pensions (Pension Fund Investments) Regulations (1998 Revision)<sup>2</sup>
- National Pensions (General) Regulations (1998 Revision)<sup>2</sup>
- Confidential Relationships (Preservation) Law (2009 Revision)

## Corporate management

- National Hurricane Plan National Pensions Office Hazard Management Plan
- National Hurricane Plan National Pensions Office Continuity of Operations
- National Pensions Board Annual Report (January 2004 June 2005)<sup>2</sup>
- National Pensions Board Annual Report (July 2005 June 2006)<sup>2</sup>
   National Pensions Board Annual Report (July 2006 June 2007)<sup>2</sup>
- National Pensions Board Annual Report (July 2007 June 2008)
- Mercer Final Report (March 2007)<sup>2</sup>
- Cayman Islands Government Annual Reports <sup>3</sup>
- Cayman Islands Government Annual Budgets <sup>3</sup>
- <sup>1</sup>- Information located at the National Pensions Office
- <sup>2</sup> Information can be found on National Pensions Office website: www.npo.gov.ky
- <sup>3</sup> Information can be found on the Government website: www.gov.ky

## **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

#### Financial management

- Public Management and Finance Law (2010 Revision)
- Public Management and Finance Law, Financial Regulations (2010 Revision)
- Cayman Islands Government Annual Budgets <sup>3</sup>

## Administration

Documents relating to other administrative functions carried out within the authority - including buildings, equipment & vehicles; communications; human resources; information & technology management.

#### **Human Resources**

- Minstry of Education, Training, Employment, Human Resources Manual (2010)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- Public Service Management Law, Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Public Servant Code of Conduct
- Salary Scale effective July 2010 -2011 <sup>3</sup>

## **Record Management:**

- National Archive and Public Records Law (2007)
- National Archive and Public Records Regulations (2007)
- Freedom of Information Law (2007) www.foi.gov.ky

## Office Equipment:

Fixed Asset Register

#### Communication:

- Press Releases <sup>2, 3</sup>
- Brochures
- <sup>1</sup>- Information located at the National Pensions Office
- <sup>2</sup> Information can be found on National Pensions Office website: www.npo.gov.ky
- <sup>3</sup> Information can be found on the Government website: www.gov.ky

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision)<sup>2</sup>
- National Pensions (Actuarial and Fund Management) Regulations (1998 Revision)<sup>2</sup>
- National Pensions (Pension Fund Investments) Regulations (1998 Revision)<sup>2</sup>
- National Pensions (General) Regulations (1998 Revision)<sup>2</sup>
- Confidential Relationships (Preservation) Law (2009 Revision)
- National Pensions Office Standard Operating Procedures <sup>1</sup>
- Ministry of Education, Training, Employment, Human Resources Manual (2010)
- National Archive and Public Records Law (2007)
- National Archive and Public Records Regulations (2007)
- Freedom of Information Law (2007) www.foi.gov.ky
- Complaint Process <sup>2</sup>
- Guidance Notes <sup>1</sup>

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- National Pensions Board Annual Report (January 2004 June 2005)
- National Pensions Board Annual Report (July 2005 June 2006)
- National Pensions Board Annual Report (July 2006 June 2007)<sup>2</sup>
- National Pensions Board Annual Report (July 2007 June 2008)
- Mercer Final Report (March 2007)<sup>2</sup>
- National Pensions Board Meetings Approved Minutes (available by FOI Request)
- <sup>1</sup>- Information located at the National Pensions Office
- <sup>2</sup> Information can be found on National Pensions Office website: www.npo.gov.ky
- <sup>3</sup> Information can be found on the Government website: www.gov.ky

#### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

- List of registered pension plans available by making a FOI request <sup>1</sup>
- Asset register available by making a FOI Request

#### **OUR SERVICES**

As the regulatory body of private pension plans in the Cayman Islands, the National Pensions Office proactively meet service delivery standards and address evolving needs while balancing the interests of employees, other beneficiaries, legislators, employers, and administrators. We strive to ensure the effective and efficient administration, implementation and evolution of the National Pensions Law and Regulations.

## General Forms: 2

- Employee & Employer General Information
- Internal Complaint Form
- Registration of Pension Plan
- Renewal of Registration of a Pension Plan
- Individual Transfer Request Defined Contribution Plan
- Individual Transfer Request to a Retirement Savings Arrangement (RSA) Defined Contribution
- Employer Questionnaire
- Non-Compliance Forms
- <sup>1</sup> Information located at the National Pensions Office
- <sup>2</sup> Information can be found on National Pensions Office website: www.npo.gov.ky
- <sup>3</sup> Information can be found on the Government website: www.gov.ky

## **Classes of Information Held**

A Class of Information is a way of collecting together similar types of information. The National Pensions Office has grouped its Classes of Information into broad categories, by functions which reflect its major areas of responsibility. If you are intending to make a request, the following Classes of Information will help you explain more precisely which records you are seeking, or where the information may be found:

#### **Functions**

#### Registration of Pension Plans

Registration and annual renewal of registration of all private sector pensions plans under the National Pensions Law. – access restricted by the National Pensions Law

#### Administration of the National Pensions Board

Provision of administrative services to the National Pensions Board

#### Compliance and Enforcement

Activities relating to the compliance and enforcement of the National Pensions Law

## Administration of the National Pensions Law

Activities relating to the general administration of the National Pensions Law

## Human Resources Management

Administering the public authority's human resources in accordance with the Public Service Management Law and internal Ministry and Government guidance.

## Financial Management

Management of all departmental monetary resources allocated through Cabinet and other sources

## FOI Requests

Requests made under the Freedom of Information Law.

## General Office Administration

General Office Correspondence



## **Education Standards and Assessment Unit**

## **Publication Scheme**

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## 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the ESAU to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Education Standards and Assessment Unit will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories of information below:

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The ESAU will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the ESAU, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure –
  for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records
  containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, wherever it is practical to
  do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to Complaints – section 6.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on the ministry's website at www.education.gov.ky

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.esa@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### <u>Phone</u>

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call (345) 244-2295 to request information.

## **Post**

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to the FOI Manager, PO Box 10039, Grand Cayman, KY1-1001.

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

## Personal visits

In rare circumstances, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact our FOI Manager at (345) 244-2295 or email at foi.esa@gov.ky

The ESAU will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the ESAU is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. ESAU strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when ESAU has received your payment.

#### 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the ESAU that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing.

Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law by contacting FOI Information Manager at 244-2295 or email at foi.esa@gov.ky

## 6. Complaints

The ESAU aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact our FOI Manager at

(345) 244-2295 or email at foi.esa@gov.ky and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

You have legal rights to access information under the publication scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner (contact details below) if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

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## **ABOUT US**

The mission of the Education Standards and Assessment Unit (ESAU) is to contribute to the continuous improvement of education in the Cayman Islands through rigorous independent evaluations and by providing high quality advice and research

#### **Ministry**

ESAU operates under the Ministry of Education, Training and Employment.

**Head of ESAU** - Mrs. Mary Bowerman, Director

**Information Manager-** Mrs Carmen Levy

**Address** (Location) - 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Royal Plaza, Cardinall Avenue, George Town

**Mailing Address** - PO Box 10039, Grand Cayman, KY1-1001, Cayman Islands

**Telephone** - (345) 244-2127

**Email** - foi.esa@gov.ky

**Website** - www.education.gov.ky

**Hours of work:** - 8:30a.m. to 5:00 pm, Monday to Friday

#### **Boards and committees**

ESAU does not oversee any committee or boards.

## Frequently asked questions

#### How often are school evaluations carried out?

Generally, once every four years for a full evaluation.

## How long does an evaluation last?

Evaluation visits last three to four days, depending on the size and age range of the school.

#### Why do schools have evaluations?

The Government has a responsibility to ensure that all children receive the best possible education, whether in government or private schools. External evaluations provide an independent, objective evaluation of the quality of teaching and learning and the standards that students are achieving.

#### What happens after an evaluation?

After the school has seen the draft report, the school has 40 working days to prepare an action plan (or to modify its existing improvement plan) that outlines the action it will take to address the areas for improvement noted in the report. Schools will generally involve all staff in developing this action plan.

#### Who provides support for schools after an evaluation?

The Department of Education Services (DES) provides support for government schools.

# Why are individuals who are not a part of ESAU sometimes included on evaluation teams?

ESAU sometimes involves overseas and/or local evaluators who help to bring different perspectives to the team. They also bring subject expertise that complements that of ESAU team.

## Does ESAU visit schools at other times, apart from a full evaluation?

In addition to individual school evaluations, ESAU carries out surveys of particular subjects or aspects of educational provision. These surveys involve short (usually one

day) visits to a sample of schools across the Cayman Islands. ESAU also visits schools on a more informal basis to maintain an overview of provision and practice.

## Are evaluation reports made public?

Reports are posted on the Ministry's website www.brighterfutures.gov.ky

#### Can schools fail their evaluation?

There is no 'pass' or 'fail'. The evaluation team makes an overall judgement on the quality of education provided by the school using a 1-4 scale where 1 is 'very good', 2 is 'good', 3 is 'adequate' and 4 is 'unsatisfactory'. If a school receives a rating of '4', there is cause for concern, and the school will be re-visited approximately one year later to check on progress.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing evaluation plans and policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programmes to improve evaluation processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities.

ESAU's strategic objectives are to:

- Continue to strengthen its contributions to school improvement
- Continue to widen the scope of and strengthen the contributions made to decision making and improvements in the education system at a national level
- Continue to strengthen ESAU's planning and review of its work in order to enhance its efficiency and effectiveness
- Undertake research as required

#### **Governance for Civil Service**

- Public Service Management Law and Personnel Regulations, 2006
- Freedom of Information Law 2007 and Regulations 2008
- Personnel Reform and What it Means for Civil Servants, 2006
- Chief Secretary's Code of Practice on Record Management
- National Archive and Public Records Law

#### Corporate management\*

- Strategic Plan
- Annual Reports

<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the ESAU's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

## Financial management

Documents relating to the administration of the authority's monetary resources – including projected and actual income and expenditure; tendering; procurement; and contracts.

- Annual budget see www.gov.ky/economy/budget
- Public Management and Finance Law and Regulation, 2005 Revisions

#### Administration\*

Documents relating to other administrative functions carried out within the authority.

- Complaints Form
- Budget

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Current written protocols used by ESAU for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services.

- The Education Standards and Assessment Handbook for the Evaluation of Educational Provision see www.education.gov.ky
- Protocol for the evaluation of government and private schools see www.education.gov.ky
- All evaluation reports are published on the website see www.education.gov.ky

#### How we handle a complaint during an evaluation

The Education Standards and Assessment Unit is committed to contributing to continuous improvement of education in the Cayman Islands, through rigorous independent evaluations and by providing high quality advice and research.

If you wish to express concern about an evaluation or another aspect of the work of the Education Standards and Assessment Unit, please follow the steps below or collect a complaint form from the ESAU office (see address below).

Write your complaint and discuss the matter with the head of the institution or the principal of the school being evaluated. If the incident occurred during the week of the evaluation, you should do this **immediately** after the action that gave rise to your concern. The head of institution or principal will seek a resolution by sharing the concern with the lead evaluator.

If you feel your complaint has not been resolved, you and the head of institution or principal

<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

should together speak with the lead evaluator about your concern.

If the complaint has still not been resolved then, the lead evaluator will pass this on to the director who will deal with the matter or inform the Chief Officer, should this become necessary.

You will receive a full response within 25 working days.

## How we handle a complaint outside of an evaluation

If the incident is not related to an evaluation, complete the form provided or write to the Director at the ESAU office.

The director will acknowledge your complaint within five days. You will then receive a full response within 25 working days.

We also welcome suggestions for improvements and will take them seriously as a part of developing and improving our services.

Please be assured that confidentiality will be respected at all times. The information you provide will only be shared with those investigating/resolving the complaint.

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decision-making processes.

- Recommendations to schools following an evaluation attached to each evaluation report see www.education.gov.ky
- Criteria for evaluating private schools' proposals for government funding and use of government funding see www.education.gov.ky

#### **LISTS & REGISTERS\***

Information held in registers required by law and other lists or registers relating to the functions of the authority.

- Asset register
- FOI disclosure log

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## **Publication Scheme**

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This publication scheme commits the Sunrise Adult Training Centre to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

## The Sunrise Adult Training Centre (SRC) will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The <u>Sunrise Adult Training Centre</u> will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the <u>Sunrise Adult Training Centre</u>, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- Information which is exempt under the FOI Law or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the <u>Sunrise Adult Training Centre's</u> (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically and can be accessed at the URL www.sunrise.gov.ky where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If you are still having trouble locating information listed using the Sunrise website, please contact the FOI Information Manager Glennis Solmon at 949-3330 or email at Glennis.Solmon@gov.ky, chanel.ebanks@gov.ky or foi.src@gov.ky

## Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.src@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call Glennis Solmon or Chanel Ebanks at 949-3330 to request information.

## <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Mrs. Glennis Solmon Information Manager Sunrise Adult Training Centre P.O.Box 100 Grand Cayman Cayman Islands KY1-1301

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee.

## Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Mrs. Glennis Solmon at 949-3330 or Ms. Chanel Ebanks at 949-3330.

The <u>Sunrise Adult Training Centre</u> will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the <u>Sunrise Adult Training Centre</u> is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

## 4. Fees and charges

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Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (color; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The <u>Sunrise Adult Training Centre</u> will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the <u>Sunrise Adult Training Centre</u> has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for Information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the <u>Sunrise Adult Training Centre</u> that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme such as summer activities schedule, your donation form etc. can be emailed to Glennis.Solmon@gov.ky or chanel.ebanks@gov.ky . Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law. If a requestor wishes to send a request by mail please see section 9 for mailing information. If the requestor wishes to fax the request, the applicant must have all necessary documents faxed to 949-3906, for email please send all request's to Foi.src@gov.ky or www.sunrise.gov.ky/FOI with your name and phone number and address present.

### 6. Complaints

The <u>Sunrise Adult Training Centre</u> aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Glennis Solmon Glennis.Solmon@gov.ky, Chanel Ebanks chanel.ebanks@gov.ky or 949-3330, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

The Sunrise Adult Training Centre has a complaints procedure (effective May 2008). A complaint can be received from any member of the public. Once an SRC employee recognizes that a member of the public is not satisfied, they will inform her or him of the internal complaints procedure. The applicant is initially asked to complete an SRC complaints form and return it to

the office. If it is not possible for the complainant to complete the SRC Complaints Form, then the staff member will write the complaint's details on the form and submit it to the Director. There is also a section for the staff member to note and observations and additional information about the compliant and complainant on the form. Once the SRC Complaints form is received by the receptionist, it is numbered and stamped with a date and forwarded to the Director. If the SRC complaints form was completed in person at the office, then the complainant would receive a photocopied and stamped form with their complaint number. If a complaint form is received via any other method, then a copy of the stamped complaint form with complaint number along with a written notification of receipt is sent to one of the complainant's contact details. The SRC Complaints form, along with all written correspondences concerning the complaint, is filed in the SRC Complaints File (SRC/ADM/7) for 7 years. All complaintants will be notified by a written response from the Director of the SRC addressing the complaint. This will be sent within 10 working days. The written correspondence will include remedies and apologies where appropriate. Should the complainant not be satisfied with the response from the Director, the complainant would be advised that they could report their complaint to the Office of the Complaints Commissioner. Additionally they would be informed that the matter will be brought to the attention of the Chief Officer of the Ministry of Education Training and Employment. All Complaints forms that are received along with the outcomes will be reviewed and discussed in a strictly confidential manner at monthly staff meetings as an effort to improve service delivery.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from www.Sunrise.gov.ky

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

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#### **ABOUT US**

Sunrise Adult Training Centre (SRC)

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P.O Box 100, Grand Cayman KY1-1301

Tel: 345-949-3330 Fax: 345-946-3906

Email: foi.src@gov.ky Website: www.Sunrise.gov.ky

Hours of Work: 8.30am-3pm, Monday-Thurs

Fri- 8:30am- 1:30pm.

#### **Boards and Committees**

Sunrise Caring Association – Community and Staff Support Group	Meetings	Minutes
	AGM Janurary Additional meeting as required	None Provided.
Committee Planning the Future for Persons with Disabilities	Meetings	Minutes
	As arranged by Ministry E.T.E	None Provided.

The Sunrise Care Association is a family, staff, and community support group providing an opportunity for family and interested people from the community to assist the centre in special projects, planning and fundraising.

The Committee Planning the Future for Persons with Disabilities is a Ministry sponsored committee set up to address issues surrounding persons with disabilities and working to development new legislation for their needs in the Cayman Islands. Minutes for the above mentioned associations should contact the individuals mentioned below.

#### The Sunrise Caring Association

Annisa Woods, President

Ph: 949-3237

## The Committee Planning the Future for Persons with Dsabilities

**Kimberly Huggins** 

Ministry of Education, Training & Employment 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Royal Plaza, Cardinal Avenue, George Town, Grand Cayman C/o Government Administration Building,

Grand Cayman, KY1-9000 **CAYMAN ISLANDS** 

Ph: (345) 244-2417 Fax: (345) 949-9343

Website: brighterfutures@gov.ky

#### **Organisation and functions**

Sunrise Adult Training Centre is a government agency in the Cayman Islands that provides training, support, and services for the empowerment, employment and independence of adults with disabilities through a team of dedicated and caring staff.

Sunrise Adult Training Centre advocates for the rights of, and promotes public acceptance of adults with disabilities as contributing members of society.

## Frequently Asked Questions;

#### Where are you located?

We are located at 181 Powery Road, West Bay. Directions: The last road on the right on Conch Point Rd, before you get to Pappagallo Restaurant, first building on left hand side.

## How many Clients do you have?

On average we have a clientele of 59 individuals who participate in a variety of different programmes, including but not limited to; Outreach Programme for those clients who can not attend the centre on a daily basis, Vocational Placement Programme for those clients who are working in the community, and the Day Programme for those persons who come to the centre on a regular basis.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

**SRC** operates under the Ministry of Education, Training & Employment.

The Ministry of E.T.E. administers the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

#### Governance

The legislation that will affect the Sunrise Adult Training centre is currently under development at this time. There are currently no documents available. However Many other laws do apply to us and they are;

- (NAPRL) National Archive and Public records Law
- (PFML) Public Finance Management Law
- (PSML) Public service Management Law
- There are also relevant sections in:
- The Mental Health Law
- The Labour Law

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTATION**

The Ministry of E.T.E. administers the authority's internal functions and facilitates the management of its resources efficiently and effectively. This includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies using the laws that regulate the function of government entities. The annual report of Sunrise Adult Training Centre is part of the annual report of the ministry and can only be accessed through them.

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## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Public Service Management Law (2008)

#### **Corporate management**

High-level documents that plan and evaluate the work of the authority. The Sunrise Adult Training Centre's Hazard management plan is a hazard–specific to detailed roles and responsibilities in connection with long, medium and short term plans, addressing, as appropriate, prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery. This document includes a list of personnel in the Sunrise Adult Training Centre (SRC), a list of any abbreviations used, procedures for alerting personnel, ('telephone tree') and general list of roles and responsibilities. This document can be viewed on our website; http://www.sunrise.gov.ky/pls/portal/url/page/srchome/foi/doclibrary

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Sunrise Adult Training Centre is supported by the Sunrise Caring Association and is a founding member and supporter of the Committee Planning the Future for Persons with Disabilities. See section (10)

#### **OUR SERVICES**

Life skills training, academic upgrading and computer assisted learning, prevocational training and assessment, and supervised job placement.

The Centre operates from September to July (closed for 3 weeks in August). Referrals welcome from individuals, families, health care or social agencies and friends.

# Public Library Service Publication Scheme Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice

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- 1. About the publication scheme
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## 1. About the publication scheme

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The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Public Library Service to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Public Library Service will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven
   (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;

 regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Public Library Service will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Public Library Service, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted<sup>1</sup> form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Public Library Service's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

## <u>Online</u>

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within *section 7: Categories of information* will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at www.cipl.gov.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact our Information Manager on 949 7659 or email foi.lib@gov.ky.

## Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.lib@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call the Information Manager on 949 7659 to request information.

#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

PO Box 1172

Grand Cayman

KY1-1102

## Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in

section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact our Information Manager at 949 7659 or email foi.lib@gov.ky.

The Public Library Service will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Public Library Service is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Public Library Service strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of 25 cents per page.

## Postage costs

The Public Library Service will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Public Library Service has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the publication scheme

Information held by the Public Library Service that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing (see <u>www.cipl.gov.ky</u>, 'Making a Request'). Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

## 6. Complaints

The Public Library Service aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact our Information Manager on 949 7659 or email foi.lib@gov.ky, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from www.cipl.gov.ky, Complaints, and Right of Appeal for complaints regarding FOI requests.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

## ABOUT US

Name of public authority

**Public Library Service** 

## **Ministry**

Ministry of Education, Training and Employment

## **Key staff – Ministry of Education, Training and Employment**

Ms Mary Rodrigues

**Chief Officer** 

Tel: 244-2417

## **Key Staff – Public Library Service**

Mrs Shirley Wahler

Chief Education Officer

Director, Public Library Service (acting – post currently vacant)

Department of Education

Tel: 244 1844

Ms. Juliet Lawson

Deputy Director (acting)

**Public Library Service** 

Tel: 949 5159

## Information manager

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dothlyn.mcfarlane@gov.ky

Tel: 949 7659

## Designate

Juliet Lawson

Juliet.Lawson@gov.ky

Tel: 949 5159

Visit the Freedom of Information website at www.foi.gov.ky

## **Organisation and functions**

As a primary community destination, the Cayman Islands Public Library Service is committed to enriching the lives of and empowering every person in our community through the provision of services, programmes and resources in all formats to encourage and promote lifelong learning, literacy, the joy of reading and local culture within the population of the Cayman Islands.

## **Scope of Activities**

- Provision of traditional and technological resources and materials that are easily accessible through the lending and reference services at all public library locations in the Cayman Islands
- Provision of services, programmes and workshops available to all members of the community
- Supporting and participating in literacy, cultural activities and community programmes
- Creating and strengthening reading habits in children from an early age
- Providing a gateway service to information in all formats for the community
- Provision of service points for the homebound, physically challenged and the disadvantaged

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Location and hours	Matters handled	
George Town Library	Item circulation	
68 Edward Street George Town	Membership	
949-5159	Reference/Information	
Monday - Friday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Programmes and outreach	

Saturday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Sunday Closed	Collection development Library information and technology Library automation system development Genera/limited HR
West Bay Library 182 Rev Blackman Road West Bay 949-7659 Monday - Friday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Sunday Closed	Item circulation Membership Reference/Information Programmes and outreach Collection development Library information and technology
Bodden Town Library 69 Bodden Town Road Bodden Town 947-0966 Monday - Thursday 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Saturday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Friday and Sunday Closed	Item circulation Membership Reference/Information Programmes and outreach Collection development Library information and technology
North Side Library 891 North Side Road North Side 947-9362 Monday and Thursday 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Tuesday and Wednesday 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Saturday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Friday and Sunday Closed	Item circulation Membership Reference/Information Programmes and outreach Collection development Library information and technology
East End Library 2739 Sea View Road East End 947-7729 Monday and Tuesday 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM Wednesday and Thursday 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Saturday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Friday and Sunday Closed	Item circulation Membership Reference/Information Programmes and outreach Collection development Library information and technology
Cayman Brac Library	

263B Stake Bay Road Cayman Brac

948-0472

Monday and Thursday 9:00 AM - 12:00

PM, 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Tuesday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, 1:00 PM

- 4:00 PM

Wednesday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, 1:00

PM - 5:00 PM

Saturday 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Friday and Sunday Closed

Item circulation

Membership Reference/Information

Programmes and outreach

Collection development

Library information and technology

#### **Boards and committees**

The Library Management Committee meets periodically at different venues. If you would like to view the minutes of the meetings, please contact the Information Manager on 949 5159 or email <a href="mailto:foi.lib@gov.ky">foi.lib@gov.ky</a>.

Committee members are as follows-

Michael Pilling Chairman

Rayle Roberts Member

Andrew Reid Member

Dian Musson Member

Eve Flowers Member

Director, Public Libraries Secretary

## Frequently asked questions

Who can join the library?

Anyone living in the Cayman Islands can join the library.

How do I join the library?

Fill out the membership form and take it to your local library with identification showing you will be resident in the Cayman Islands for at least six months.

How old do you have to be to join the library?

You can join the library from any age.

How much does it cost to join the library?

For adults the cost is \$2 per year, and for children there is no charge.

How many books can I borrow from the library?

Once you have received your library card, you can borrow as many books as you like (at the discretion of library staff). Children (5-16 years) may borrow up to 10 books at a time.

How long can I borrow books for?

You can borrow books for up to three weeks. Your books will each be stamped with a return date, so you know when the books are due to be returned to the library.

What if I need the books for longer?

You can renew your books once for another three weeks, unless they have been reserved by another patron.

Can I use my CIPL membership card at any library?

Yes, once you have your own library card, it can be used at any library in the Cayman Islands.

Can I return my books to any library, even if I borrowed them from a different library?

Please return your books to the branch that you borrowed them from. The Library service appreciates the prompt return of all stock to the library from which it was borrowed as this ensures other patrons have access to titles as soon as they are returned.

Do you have any other materials besides books?

Yes, CIPL stocks books on cassette tape and CD. We also have magazines, newspapers, DVDs, and videos. Holdings will vary in the branch libraries.

Is there a library service available on the Sister Islands?

There is a Public Library in Cayman Brac. Residents of Little Cayman are entitled to register to borrow books by mail. This is a free service. Books by Mail borrowers can be sent a maximum of five books at a time. Postal irregularities are taken into account when assessing fines.

Does the library have IT facilities?

All libraries have IT facilities, but these do vary. Please call your local library to find out what they have to offer.

What are the fines for books returned late?

Overdue items accrue fines daily as follows:

Adult materials : 10 cents per day

Maximum fine: \$2.00

• Juvenile materials: 5 cents per day

Maximum fine \$1.00

Can I use the photocopier at the library? There is a black and white photocopier at each CIPL. A member of staff will do your copying for you at a charge of 25c per sheet.

Does the library run programmes for adults and children? Yes, there is a regular calendar of events and activities taking place in all districts. Programmes are designed to be of interest to adults and children of all ages. Please see local newspapers and check your local library for information of forthcoming events and programmes.

#### Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering for the Library Service, please talk to a member of staff at your local library, or call 949 5159.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

#### Governance

Administrative functions provide general support to out main service and activities. Administrative functions are common to all government entities and are governed by the same legislation across government departments. The laws which govern the Public Library Service can be viewed at GT Library or at www.gazettes.gov.ky. The laws which apply to the Public Library Service are listed below-

- Public Library Law (1998 revision)
- Public Service Management Law
- Freedom of Information Law
- National Archive and Public Records Law
- Public Holidays Law
- Public Management and Finance Law
- Public Service Pensions Law
- Labour Law
- Immigration Law

## **Corporate management**

The Public Library Service plans its work and services in accordance with the functions and direction of the Ministry of Education, Training, and Employment. Annual reports may be viewed at George Town Public Library. Please contact our Information Manager at 949 7659 or by email at foi.lib@gov.ky.

## FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

## **Financial management**

The following documents relate to the Public Library Service's financial management. These are available at George Town Public Library. To view, please contact our Information Manager on 949 76 or email at foi.lib@gov.ky.

Annual budget

## Administration

The following documents relate to the Public Library Service's management of other administrative functions. These are available at George Town Public Library. To view, please contact our Information Manager on 949 7659 or email at <a href="mailto:foi.lib@gov.ky">foi.lib@gov.ky</a>.

- Organisational chart
- Job descriptions
- Job vacancies
- Pay and grading structures
- Press releases
- Records management file (in progress)

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

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- Complaints Handling procedure
- Circulation policy (draft)
- Collection Development policy (draft)
- Computer and Internet Use policy (draft)
- Donations Policy (draft)
- CIPL rules and Regulations policy (draft)
- Use of Conference Room policy
- Opening an d Closing Procedures
- George Town Parking regulations

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

The following documents relate to the Public Library Service's decision making processes and recommendations. These are available at George Town Public Library. To view, please contact our Information Manager on 949 7659 or email at foi.lib@gov.ky.

Minutes and notes of meetings

## LISTS & REGISTERS

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Asset register

## **OUR SERVICES**

The Public Library Service is a vital community destination providing library and information services to all residents of the Cayman Islands, for recreation, education, life long learning and personal development. There are 6 branches of the service providing different levels of the same core service. The main Public Library is located in George Town, the rest are located in West Bay, Bodden Town, East End, North Side and Cayman Brac.

The Public Library Service continually strives to provide its patrons high quality materials and resources, as well supporting community cohesion through an ongoing calendar of outreach activities and programmes for all ages. The following documents support these functions and are available at George Town Public Library. To view, please contact our Information Manager on 949 7659 or email at <a href="mailto:foi.lib@gov.ky">foi.lib@gov.ky</a>.

- Guide to Library Services
- CIPL membership form
- CIPL institutional membership form
- Welcome To Your Library (draft)
- Making the Most of George Town Library (draft)
- Monthly branch reports
- Circulation statistics
- Visitor statistics
- Booklists
- Summer Reading Programme support information
- Teen Read Week support information
- Library newsletters
- Press releases



## **Cayman Islands National Archive**

## **Publication Scheme**

## Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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- Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted1 form, wherever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.
- the private archival records of CINA, as referenced in the FOI Law, Section 5(e): (5) This Law does not apply to-
  - (e) private holdings of the National Archives where the contract or other arrangements under which the holdings are held do not allow disclosure in the circumstances prescribed under this Law.

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#### Post

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Cayman Islands National Archive c/o Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Tel: +1-345-949-9809 Fax: +1-345-949-9727 Email: cina@gov.ky

FOI Email: foi.cna@gov.ky FOI Website: www.cina.gov.ky

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number

and/or email address so that we can contact you to clarify details, if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See Section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In some cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. All information is to be accessed within CINA's Reading Room, which is open Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 4:30pm, with the last available appointment at 3:30pm. Please contact us via email at cina@gov.ky or call +1-345-949-9809 and ask to speak to the Archivist on Duty to make an appointment. This will be clearly stated in *Section 7: Categories of Information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Tammi Selzer, Information Manager at foi.cna@gov.ky.

CINA will adhere to its obligations under Section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where CINA is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

#### 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. CINA strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc (CD). Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below under *Reproduction costs*.

There are some publications which CINA offers for sale and they include books, maps and postcard sets. These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service at www.caymanpost.gov.ky. The list of publications is available online at CINA's FOI website www.cina.gov.ky

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, copies of information will be charged at the standard rates detailed in the National Archive and Public Records Regulations (2007), which are also listed on www.cina.gov.ky as *CINA Reproduction Fees*. All prices are listed in CI\$. The fees for providing photocopies are as follows:-

PHOTOCOPY CHARGES			
Size		Black and white	Colour
8.5" x 11"	(letter)	\$0.25	\$0.50
8.5" x 14"	(legal)	\$0.25	\$0.50
11" x 17"	(ledger)	\$0.50	\$1.00

#### Postage costs

CINA will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery as established by the Cayman Islands Postal Service at www.caymanpost.gov.ky.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within Section 7: Categories of Information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. The requested information will be provided once CINA has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the publication scheme

Information held by CINA that is **not** published under this scheme can be requested in writing as detailed below. In addition, please see the Making a Request section at www.cina.gov.ky. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

FOI requests **must be submitted in writing** via email, postal mail, fax or by submitting an FOI application form. The application form can be obtained from CINA's Reception Desk or by visiting the Making a Request section of the Freedom of Information Unit's website at www.foi.gov.ky

When making an FOI request, please be as specific as possible about the information you would like, as this will help us to provide a prompt response. In addition, it would be helpful to include a name and contact information (mailing address, telephone number and/or email address) so that you can be contacted if is necessary to further discuss your request.

#### 6. Complaints

CINA aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact us using the information listed below and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Cayman Islands National Archive c/o Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Tel: +1-345-949-9809

Fax: +1-345-949-9727 Email: cina@gov.ky

FOI Email: foi.cna@gov.ky Website: www.cina.gov.ky

Further information about our Complaints procedures and *Complaint Form* can be viewed on our website www.cina.gov.ky and/or by contacting us and requesting our *Internal Complaints Policy*, the *Internal Complaints Process* brochure and complaint form. This information is also listed in *Section 7: Categories of Information – Polices and Procedures*.

For information on CINA's FOI Internal Review procedure, please see the Right of Appeal page on our website www.cina.gov.ky, or contact us via the mailing address or telephone/fax information directly above or via email at foi.cna.@gov.ky

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner at the contact information listed below, if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

#### **Public authority**

Cayman Islands National Archive (CINA)

#### **Ministry**

Ministry of Education, Training & Employment Mary Rodrigues, Chief Officer

c/o Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS Tel: +1-345-244-2417 Fax: +1-345-949-9343

Email: brighterfutures@gov.ky Website: www.brighterfutures.gov.ky

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FOI Email: foi.cna@gov.ky FOI Website: www.cina.gov.ky

## Other contact information - telephone and email

Reception - Ext. 101

CINA Government ext - Ext. 244-2357 Records Centre - direct Government ext. - Ext. 244-2362

Records Centre - email - recordscentre@gov.ky

## **Information Manager**

Tammi Selzer, Information Manager Charisse Morrison, Information Manager (Designate)

Cayman Islands National Archive c/o Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS

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FOI Website: www.cina.gov.ky

## **Organisation and functions**

CINA provides two sets of services: one to the public and one to government. For members of the public, the Archive acquires, preserves and gives access to the historical heritage of the Cayman Islands; for government departments it supports a modern records management service ensuring that official records are properly managed from the moment of their creation until they are transferred into the Historical Collections or destroyed. The two services are closely linked: today's records are tomorrow's archives. Only with sound records management and meticulous preservation can records be carefully maintained for future generations.

The work of CINA focuses on 2 major outcomes:

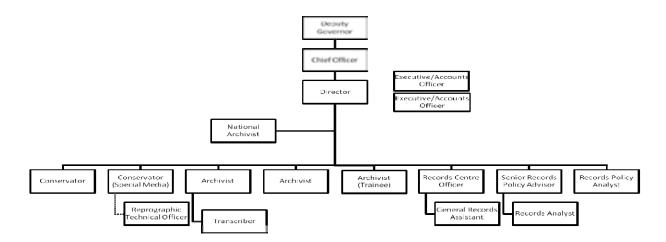
- To enable good recordkeeping practices across the Cayman Islands public sector, in support of Government accountability and efficiency; and
- To manage, preserve and provide access to the documentary heritage of the Cayman Islands through its Historical Collections.

CINA comprises the following sections:

- Administration
- Archive
- Preservation
- Records Management

The three main functions of CINA are Archival Management, Government Records Management and Preservation Management; please see the Classes of Information section of our FOI website www.cina.gov.ky. Also, see Section 7: Categories of Information in this publication scheme.

## **Organisational Chart**



#### **Staff Directory**

- Brenda Ebanks, Executive/Accounts Officer
- Carol Mascarenhas, Executive/Accounts Officer
- Charisse Morrison, Archivist
- Charlena Connor, Records Centre Officer
- Dennis Denton, Conservator (Special Media)
- Elizabeth Scholefield, Transcriber, Oral History
- Hamid Charles, Reprographic Technical Officer (Micrographics)
- Maylen Eden, Conservator
- Mishka Chisholm, Archivist-Trainee
- Paul Robinson-Troake, Senior Records Policy Advisor
- Tammi Selzer, National Archivist
- Tricia Bodden, Archivist
- Tyrone Yen, Records Assistant

Location and hours	Matters handled
CINA is open Monday-Friday, 8:30am - 5:00pm and is located at 137 Archive Lane, Shedden Road.	All matters and work processes relating to CINA are managed and performed at the one location.
CINA Reading Room is open Monday- Friday, 9:00am - 4:30pm. We take our last appointment at 3:30pm. Appointments are recommended to ensure that time and space in the Reading Room is available.	The viewing of information listed in this publication scheme or records requested via FOI Requests to CINA, takes place in the Reading Room.  To access the Historical Collections at CINA, a Reading Room visit is necessary. An Archivist will assist you by providing the resources needed to help answer your questions.

## **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Records Advisory Committee, which in accordance with Section 5 of the National Archive and Public Records Law (2007), makes recommendations to the Governor in Cabinet concerning disposal schedules, any periods of public access restrictions to public records and the disposal of those records.  The Committee consists of:-	In accordance with Section 3 (1) of the National Archive and Public Records Regulations, (2007), the Records Advisory Committee meets as often as may be required, but not less than twice a year.  The meetings are held in the Reading Room at CINA and are closed to the public.  Refer to the Boards & Committees section on CINA's FOI website www.cina.gov.ky	Minutes of the Records Advisory Committee can be obtained by visiting CINA's Reception Desk, or by contacting us via telephone, email at cina@gov.ky or via postal mail.
<ul> <li>Chairman (appointed by Deputy Governor)</li> <li>Secretary to the Cabinet*</li> <li>Attorney-General or a legal practitioner employed in his portfolio and nominated by him</li> <li>Minister of Finance</li> <li>Director of Internal Audit*</li> </ul>		

<ul> <li>Chief Officer, Judicial Administration*</li> <li>Clerk of Legislative Assembly*</li> </ul>	

<sup>\*</sup> Or his nominee

Frequently asked questions - also listed on our FOI Website; FAQs on www.cina.gov.ky.

## What sorts of records is CINA interested in acquiring?

CINA is the official repository for records of the Cayman Islands Government that are deemed to be of enduring value. CINA also acquires private papers or business records by donation, or in exceptional circumstances by purchase. CINA's collections contain a myriad of records including textual documents, photographs, maps, films and oral histories. Potential donations undergo an archival appraisal to determine how it might complement the present holdings and benefit researchers. Please contact the Archive at cina@gov.ky regarding potential donations.

## Do I have to pay an entry fee to enter CINA's Reading Room?

No, use of the Reading Room and CINA's resources are open to the general public free of charge. Every user is required to register as a reader (see question 4), at which time presentation of identification may be requested. Certain fees do apply for reproduction and publication; see *Section 4: Fees and charges* of this scheme.

#### Can I see all records CINA holds?

No, access restrictions can apply. Time-limited restrictions may relate to specific records, such as; the 100-year rule for Government census return forms. Secondly, some private donors have requested access restrictions to donated records. Other records may also be closed for conservation reasons. If a record has become too fragile to be handled by the general public, CINA will make an effort to provide an access copy as resources permit.

# How does the CINA's Reading Room process work? What do I have to do to gain access to your historical resources?

All of CINA's Historical Collections can be viewed in the Reading Room, however appointments are recommended; the Reading Room is open Monday to Friday, 9:00am until 4:30pm, with the last appointment at 3:30pm. To make an appointment, please telephone on +1-345-949-9809 and ask to speak to the Archivist on Duty or email cina@gov.ky.

On entering the Archive, you will be asked to sign in using the Visitor's Book. When you use the Reading Room for the first time, you will have to register as a new reader. This involves completing and signing a form with your personal data which indicates that you have read a copy of the Reading Room Rules. In return, you will receive a Reader's Ticket for future use. One of our reference Archivists will then assist you with finding the

right sources for your research, however they do not conduct research on your behalf – see question 6.

Many of the records have been described on databases, some of which you will have access to, while others the Reference Archivist will consult on your behalf to find pertinent sources. Finding aids to many other records may require you having to look through printed catalogues, inventories, lists, etc. in order to find the records of interest. Be prepared to schedule sufficient time to carry out your research and if you are working to a tight time schedule, do not wait until the last possible moment to visit the Reading Room with your questions. Please note that appointments may be necessary to view certain types of records, e.g. the records in CINA's Photographic Collection.

It is important to note that the normal processing time for all photographic orders (prints or scans) is 2-3 weeks. Processing can at times be longer or shorter dependent upon the complexity of the job and the number of orders submitted for processing.

#### Can I borrow books from CINA?

No. Besides comprehensive archival collections, CINA houses the collections of the Reference Library, consisting of thousands of published titles dealing with Caymanian and Caribbean history, geography, sociology, economy, and many other topics of research. These are open for consultation by the general public, however, since many of the books and serials in the collections are rare or unique CINA does not allow original material out of the building. Reproduction services may be available for a fee and subject to copyright provisions. Section 4: Fees and charges of this scheme.

# What do you mean by "CINA Staff are not authorised to conduct research on the researcher's behalf"?

Archival sources are used for many different purposes, and readers approach CINA's holdings from a huge variety of research angles, not all of which Archive staff may be familiar with. Once the reader is in the Reading Room and has become aware of the many sources, a simple question often transforms into a very complex, detailed or extensive quest for information. Under these circumstances the Reference Archivist on duty can provide the reader with sources, but ought not to be part of the interpretation of these sources. Therefore, when you visit the Reading Room, you should schedule sufficient time to do your research. It may be a good idea to call or make a preliminary visit in order to find out exactly which sources are available.

#### **History**

Following is a timeline on the establishment of CINA:

1985	Discussions about the establishment of an archive, which began with a report by a British Executive Services Overseas advisor, John Cantewell
1987	Mr. Cantewell returned and summed up that it was the same as when he was here last only worse
1988	Government made the decision that there was to be an archive
1988-1990	Dr Norman Reid - Archivist was hired as a consultant hired to set things up

and establish the archive

1991	The Cayman Islands National Archive opened in the Tower Building with an Archivist and Conservator
1991	The Institute of Caymanian Heritage Law was created but never Gazetted
1992	CINA moved into its current building and additional records staff member was hired. Initial focus was records management
1993/1994	Archive management work began
2007	The National Archive and Public Records Law was enacted.

For more information on the setting up of CINA, please contact CINA to view a report entitled "Establishment of Cayman Islands Archive & Record Centre: Report of BESO Adviser", 24 October, 1987. BESO is British Executive Services Overseas and the Advisor was John Cantewell.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

All items are (also) accessible by visiting CINA's Reception Desk, or by contacting us via telephone, email at foi.cna@gov.ky or via postal mail, unless otherwise noted.

#### Governance

#### **Governing Legislation and Regulations**

The Cayman Islands National Archive is established under The National Archive and Public Records Law (2007)\*. The major responsibilities of the National Archive are defined in this Law and the accompanying Regulations\*.

CINA's operation is also influenced by the following legalisation:-

- 1) The Cayman Islands Constitutional Order 2009 accessible online at www.consitution.gov.ky
- 2) Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)\*
- 3) Public Service Management Law Personnel Regulations (2006)\*
- 4) Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)\*
- 5) The Public Management and Finance Law Financial Regulations (2008 Revision)\*
- 6) The Freedom of Information Law (2007)\*
- 7) Evidence Law (2007 Revision)\*
- 8) Electronic Transactions Law (2003 Revision) hardcopy accessible in CINA Reading Room (RR) and may be available for purchase from the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly
- 9) Limitations Law (1996 Revision) hardcopy accessible in CINA RR and may be available for purchase from the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly
  - \*Accessible online at www.gazettes.gov.ky

### **Corporate management**

#### Work Plan

2010-2011 CINA Work Plan

#### **Annual Reports**

As CINA does not have its own individual annual report, information is included in the Government wide annual reports entitled Annual Reports and Official Handbook, 2004-2005 – online at www.gov.ky and in CINA's RR.

## **Hazard Management and Disaster Recovery**

- 1) 2010 Departmental Disaster Control Database holds information on vital records for all public authorities
- 2) Continuity of Operations Plan 2010
- 3) Guidelines to the 2010 Hazard Management Plan for Records\*
- 4) 2010 Hazard Management Plan for Records template\*
- 5) Hazard Management Planning for Records bulletin\*
  - \* Accessible online at www.cina.gov.ky

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

All items are (also) accessible by visiting CINA's Reception Desk, or by contacting us via telephone, email at foi.cna@gov.ky or via postal mail, unless otherwise noted.

#### **Financial Management**

Annual Budget – online at 2010/2011 Budget or by visiting www.gov.ky and includes the following:

- Annual Budget Statements
- The Annual Plan and Estimates
- Ownership Agreements
- Purchase Agreements
- CINA Output Evidence Guide 2010-2011

#### Administration

- CINA File Plan and Disposal Schedule in draft form, not accessible until approved
- Insurance Policies Certificate of Insurance that covers two government-owned vehicles
- Job Vacancies/Career Opportunities online at www.cina.gov.ky
- Press Releases- online at www.cina.gov.ky
- Salary Scales Annual and Monthly Salary Scale for Salaried Staff and Hourly Rate for Wage Workers, 2010 – online at www.pocs.gov.ky

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

All items are (also) accessible by visiting CINA's Reception Desk, or by contacting us via telephone, email at foi.cna@gov.ky or via postal mail, unless otherwise noted.

## **Complaint's Handling Procedures**

1) Complaints Process – procedures for handling complaints

- 2) Complaints\* section of CINA FOI website and Complaint Form\*
- 3) Internal Complaints Policy
- 4) Internal Complaints Process (brochure)

#### **Human Resources**

- CINA Human Resource Management Policy and Procedures Manual: Work Place Rules
- The Public Servant's Code of Conduct
- CINA Leave Request Application
- CINA Working Hours & Lunch Hour Application

## **Information and Technology Management**

- Administrative File Plans and Disposal Schedules in draft form, not accessible until approved
  - Financial Management
  - Human Resources\*
  - Records of Boards and Committees
  - Buildings, Equipment and Vehicles Management (D)
  - Information and Technology Management (D)
  - Communications Management (D)
- Fact Sheets
  - Legal Admissibility
  - CINA Record Keeping Responsibilities (D)
- Information Management Policy for the Cayman Islands National Archive 2010 Revision (D
- List of Public Authorities\* (updated monthly)
- Help Desk Log database used for tracking logs to Help Desk, Computer Services Department
- CINA Memo Thru
- CINA Fact Sheet Template
- CINA Guidelines Template
- CINA Document Guide 2010
- Continuation Sheet Template
- File Minute Template
- Administrative Appraisal Reports
- Operational Appraisal Reports
- Private Donation/Community Records Appraisal Reports
- PowerPoint Presentation Slides
  - \*Accessible online at www.cina.gov.ky
  - (D) in draft form, not accessible until approved.

#### **Operating Policies and Procedures**

The policies and procedures listed below are used in carrying out functions, activities and the delivery of services as relating to the three functions of CINA.

#### **Archive Management**

- Appraisal Policy (D)
- Appraisal Procedures Operational (D)
- Appraisal Procedures Private donations/Community archives (D)
  - (D) in draft form, not accessible until approved.

## Reading Room (RR)

- Policy on Photocopying
- Policy on Publication of Photographic Records
- Reading Room Rules\*
- Procedures for Managing Reference Services

## **Oral History**

- C.I. Memory Bank Transcribing Policy hardcopy only
- Cayman Islands Memory Bank Handbook, 1990 hardcopy only
- Cayman Islands National Archive Oral History Programme:
- Editing Guidelines for Transcribers
- Editing Policy
  - \* Accessible online at www.cina.gov.ky

#### **Government Records Management**

All items are (also) accessible by visiting CINA's Reception Desk, or by contacting us via telephone, email at foi.cna@gov.ky or via postal mail, unless otherwise noted.

#### **Internal Use**

- Disposal scheduling based on operational file plans: Procedures for CINA staff
- Records Centre Procedures

#### For Public Authorities

- Conducting a Records Survey\*
- Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Records Management Pursuant to Section 52 of the Freedom of Information Law, 2007\*
- Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing Pursuant to Section 51 of the Freedom of Information Law, 2007.
- Government Use of E-mail (Administrative Circular No. 2 of 2006)\*
- Records Management Checklist for FOI and e-Government\* key RM tools required by public authorities to meet their legislative requirements and support the use of new technology
- Records Management Policy for the Cayman Islands Government
- User Guide to the File Plans and Disposal Schedules for Common Administrative Functions
- Creation , Maintenance and Disposal Records Management Standard
- Guidelines
  - Destruction of Public Records
- Implementing the Financial Management File Plan and Disposal Schedule: An Explanatory Document
- Implementing the Human Resources Management File Plan and Disposal Schedule: An Explanatory Document\*
- RM Mapping Tool
- Preservation Survey: Digital materials creation and use in public agencies
  - \*Accessible online at www.cina.gov.ky

### **Preservation Management**

- The Cayman Islands National Archive Micrographics Programme policy and procedures manual for the micrographics programme.
- Preservation Copying Policy (D)
- Mould Remediation

(D) – in draft form, not accessible until approved.

#### LISTS & REGISTERS

#### **List of Public Authorities**

The National Archive maintains a list of public authorities, responsible for managing records in accordance with the *National Archive and Public Records Law*, and responding to requests under the *Freedom of Information Law*. The List of Public Authorities can be viewed on the CINA's FOI website www.cina.gov.ky or by contacting Tammi Selzer, Information Manager at foi.cna@gov.ky or on +1-345-949-9809.

## **FOI Disclosure Log**

Request Number	Request Details	Outcome
22934	Applicant was interested in the costs for CINA training developed for FOI Implementation	Granted in Full
27777	1) A comprehensive itemized list of your CINA's actual expenses for the Budget year ending June 2009 and the Budget year ending June 2008.      2) The total number of paid consultants on contract with CINA.	Granted in Full

#### Registers

Fixed Asset Register 2009-2010 – accessible at Reception Desk.

#### **OUR SERVICES**

Following is a list of the forms, newsletters, bulletins, databases, documents, finding aids, guidance notes that provide detailed information about the services offered and activities carried out by CINA, to fulfill its three high-level functions and responsibilities.

All documents are accessible by visiting CINA's Reception Desk, (RR) and/or via email at foi.cna.@gov.ky, unless otherwise noted.

#### **Archive Management**

NB. \* Accessible online at www.cina.gov.ky

#### Fee Schedules

National Archive Publications: Retail and Student Price List (CI\$)\*

 Reproduction Fees CI\$\* and US\$ banks drafts – for photographs, audio-visual records, photocopies and microform.

#### Forms - For Public Use

- Application for Reader's Tickets\* and Reader's Ticket application and ticket to access CINA's Historical Collections; accessible in Reading Room
- Donation Agreement agreement between CINA and private donors concerning donations into Historical Collection
- Reproduction Request Form work order request form for copies of all records from CINA's Historical Collections; including photocopies, photographs, audiovisual, microfiche, etc.
- Photographic Publication Request Form\* application to publish photographic records & manage usage of images obtained from CINA's Photographic Collections; accessible in Reading Room
- Photographic Disclaimer labels labels restricting further reproduction; provided with all photographic print orders
- Audiovisual Publication Request Form

#### Forms - Internal Use

- Accession Information Sheet records detailed information of private donations upon receipt
- Microfiche Sale Log records sale of microfiche
- Microfiche Order order form to replenish microfiche stock for sale
- CINA Photographic Order Forms work order forms for the reproduction of archival records, as follows
  - Photographic Order Form
  - Audiovisual Order Form
  - Photographic Order Form for Textual Materials

## **Databases – For Public Use**

- Class Description Database links to Guide to Records Copied from The National Archives (England & Wales)
- Government Publications Listing a catalogue listing published and non-published material from public authorities
- Guide to Records Copied from The National Archives (England & Wales) a catalogue describing copied information pertaining to the Cayman Islands
- Index to Laws 1865-1962 a catalogue indexing CI Laws in CINA's Historical Collection
- Marriage Registrations a catalogue listing the microfiche reference numbers of Marriage Registrations according to Marriage Officers, districts and dates
- Moving Image a catalogue describing CINA's film (reel-to-reel, VHS and DVD collection)
- Newstar a catalogue summarising the main articles Newstar magazines
- Nor'wester a catalogue summarising the articles in the Nor'wester magazines
- Oral History a catalogue summarising oral history interviews
- Published Moving Images links to Moving Image
- Photographic Collections a catalogue of CINA's Photographic Collections for public access only (copy)

#### Databases - Internal Use

Accession Register - a catalogue briefly describing privately donated materials

- Archival Acquisitions 2010-2011 statistical log of materials acquired into the Historical Collection of the Cayman Islands
- Central Registry a catalogue describing Government's historical documentary pre-1980's
- Commissioner's Correspondence a descriptive catalogue of letters to and from the Commissioners of the Cayman Islands
- Government Notices a catalogue indexing public notification of events by the CI Government; precursor to the Gazette
- Image a catalogue of CINA's Photographic Collections
- Index to Collections a catalogue indexing CINA's private Collections numerically
- Legislative Assembly Sound Recordings a catalogue listing sound recordings from the Legislative Assembly meetings
- Maps a catalogue describing CINA's Maps collection
- Reference Library a catalogue listing one-off publications relating to the Cayman Islands and the Caribbean
- Reference Library Serials a catalogue listing newspapers, magazines, journals, newsletters of the Cayman Islands primarily and the Caribbean
- 2010-2011 Reference Log a statistical log of inquiries pertaining to access to historical information
- Shelf an obsolete location listing of CINA's Historical Collections
- Staff Library a catalogue of staff reference material

# **Electronic Finding Aids - For Public Use** (PDF and Microsoft Word files; printed copies also available)

- Alphabetical Index to Laws 1865-1962 alphabetical listing of Cayman Islands Laws found in CINA's Reference Library
- Birth Index Microsoft Word files (also available on Microfiche) partial alphabetical listing by district of birth registrations (also available by numerical certificate listing)
- Chronological Index to Laws 1865-1962 chronological listing of Cayman Islands Laws found in CINA's Reference Library
- Genealogical Records on Microfiche Available for Sale
- Nor'wester searchable electronic copies of Nor'wester magazine

# **Electronic Finding Aids – Internal Use** (Microsoft Word and Excel files; printed copies also available)

- Funeral Programmes alphabetical listing
- Marriage Programmes alphabetical listing
- Microfiche Collection by Holdings a listing according to historical records of information available on microfiche
- National Trust Historic Site Inventory detailed inventory of buildings (pre-1950) or sites recognized as having historical significance
  - Copy Negative Listing a listing of inventory images
  - File List a listing of historical sites in the Cayman Islands by district

#### Printed Finding Aids – For Public Use

- An Annotated Bibliography: The Presbyterian Church in the Cayman Islands summary of copies of published sources from cultural institutions in Scotland
- Catalogue of Jamaica Original Correspondence 1831-1835 a listing of copies of records from Jamaica relating to the Cayman Islands

- Catalogue of Memory Bank2 Tapes (to March 17, 2005) listing of narrators, (persons interviewed) district, interviewer, date of interview and main subjects.
- CINA. Oral History Programme: Narrator List to June 2008 listing of narrators by district.
- Guide to Moving Images a descriptive list of CINA's film (reel-to-reel, VHS and DVD) collection
- Guide to Records Copied from The National Archives (England & Wales)
- Index to Government Notices catalogue indexing public notification of events by the CI Government; precursor to the Gazette
- Index to Laws listing of all Cayman Islands Laws in the Reference Library
- Index to *Notes on the History of the Cayman Islands* by George S. S. Hirst a name, subject and place index to the titled book
- Inventory to Selected Manuscripts of the Presbyterian Church in The Cayman Islands – summary of manuscript copies from cultural institutions in Scotland.
- Memory Bank: Index to Bound Volumes numerical index to bound transcripts
- Memory Bank Glossary of Unfamiliar/Dialect Words as Used in Memory Bank Interviews: A work in progress

## **Printed Finding Aids – Internal Use**

- National Trust Historic Site Inventory
  - Copy Negative Listing
  - File List
- Vertical Files a list of the subject headings for the Vertical Files miscellaneous information relating to the Cayman Islands donated by the public

## **Brochures, Pamphlets**

- Genealogical Records: An aid to locating your ancestors briefly describes the main genealogical records in the Historical Collections
- Our Nation's Memory: Preserving Today for Tomorrow a synopsis of CINA, briefly describing the main functions

## **Oral History Forms – Internal Use**

- Interview Inventory list of interviews by year includes reference code
- Narrator Agreement agreement between CINA and interviewee
- Preservation of Tapes Removal tracks movement of audio carriers during preservation work
- Transcribers Agreement agreement between CINA and staff employed as transcribers transcribe oral history interviews
- Transcribing Record records the progress of editing work on transcripts
- Videographer Agreement agreement between CINA and staff employed to video oral history interviews
- Volunteer Work Sheet records removal and return of oral history material
- Working Copy Removal tracks movement of transcripts during editing process

#### **Government Records Management (RM)**

All documents are accessible by visiting CINA's Reception Desk, (RR) and/or via email at recordscentre@gov.ky, unless otherwise noted as \* which denotes that it is accessible online at www.cina.gov.ky

<sup>2</sup> Renamed Oral History Programme

#### Forms - For Public Authorities

- File Plan and Disposal Schedule Template used by Public Authorities in conjunction with RM Workbooks 1 and 2 (below) to create their file plan and disposal schedule
- Proof of Destruction Form to document the destruction of records that have passed their minimum retention period, as set out in the disposal schedule
- Records Management System (RMS) User Manual a manual for all Records Officer in pubic authorities in using RMS, an electronic system
- Records Management Workbook 1: Developing a Disposal Schedule\*
- Records Management Workbook 2: Developing or Reviewing a File Plan\*RMS -Records Management System – an electronic system for tracking the lifespan of government records
- Request for New RMS Username Records Management System
- Using RMS Registration Form (for staff of public authorities to register to attend CINA training session entitled "Using RMS")\*
- Transfer Form Template (template form for transferring records between Ministries)\*
- Transfer Form Example (completed example)\*

#### Forms – Internal Use

Verification Worksheet for Operational File Plan and Disposal Schedule - checklist

#### Databases - Internal Use

- Public Sector Provenance Database historical and current information on the administrative structure of all public authorities
- 2010-2011 RM and RMS Inquiries Log a statistical log of inquiries pertaining to RM and RMS
- Transfer Database a descriptive summary of non-system (RMS) records obtained from public authorities

#### **Tools – For Public Authorities**

- General Guidance on the Migration of Records as Part of a Policy for the Disposal of Electronic Data Storage ContainersGuidance on Implementing Email Policy\*
- Guidance for Managing Electronic Records
- Managing Records During Administrative Change
- Records Management Bulletins\*
- Records Management Glossary

#### **Preservation Management**

#### Forms – Internal Use

CINA Preservation Site Visit Report template

#### Databases - Internal Use

- Conservation Treatment Database records invasive/non-invasive treatment carried out on documents
- 2010-2011 Micrographics Stats Database records the production of microfiche
- 2010-2011 Preservation Photographic Stats records the production of photographic orders and scanning projects



## **University College of the Cayman Islands**

## **Publication Scheme**

## Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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This publication scheme commits the University College of the Cayman Islands to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The University College of the Cayman Islands will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The University College of the Cayman Islands will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the University College of the Cayman Islands, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the University College of the Cayman Island's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

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## Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at http://www.ucci.edu.ky

If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact:

FOI Information Manager Mrs. Lucille Kong 345-623-8224 or Direct line at 345-623-0563 or e-mail at lkong@ucci.edu.ky or at foi@ucci.edu.ky.

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi@ucci.edu.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call 345- 623 8224 to request information.

#### <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to: Lucille Kong at 345-949-9580 or email at Lkong@ucciedu.ky or foi@ucci.edu.ky to request information

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

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## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The University College of the Cayman Islands strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications which the University College of the Cayman Islands offers for sale. This includes: *JUCCI Publication*. These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service.

### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The University College of the Cayman Islands will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the University College of the Cayman Islands has received your payment.

### 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the University *College of the Cayman Islands* that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be *requested in writing*.

Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law by contacting FOI Information Manager, Mrs. Lucille Kong at 345-623 8224 or direct line 345-623-0563 or email at foi@ucci.edu.ky or lkong@ucci.edu.ky

#### 6. Complaints

The *University College of the Cayman Islands* aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Mrs. Lucille Kong at 345-623 0563 or email at lkong@ucci.edu.ky or foi@ucci.edu.ky, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from Mrs. Lucille Kong at 345-949-9580 or direct line at 345-623-0563 or email lkong@ucci.edu.ky or foi@ucci.edu.ky

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
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- Lists & Registers
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#### **ABOUT US**

University College of the Cayman Islands

#### **Ministry**

Ministry of Education, Training, and Employment

#### **Principal Officer**

Minister of Education, Training & Employment Hon. Rolston Anglin, MLA Minister of Education, Training and Employment

## **Physical Address**

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Royal Plaza, Cardinal Avenue, George Town, Grand Cayman

Telephone Number: 345-949-2417 Fax: 345-244-2417

#### **Mailing Address**

c/o Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman, KY1-9000 Cayman Islands

Email: rolston.anglin@gov.ky

## **Chief Officer of Ministry of Education**

Mrs. Mary Rodrigues

#### **Physical Address**

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Royal Plaza Cardinal Avenue, George Town, Grand Cayman Email: mary.rodrigues@gov.ky

## **Mailing Address**

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Mr. J. A. Roy Bodden, J.P.

## **Physical Address**

University of the Cayman Islands (UCCI) 168 Olympic Way, George Town, Grand Cayman Email: rbodden@ucci.edu.ky

#### **Mailing Address**

P.O. Box 702, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1107 Telephone Number: 345-949-9580 Fax: 345-949-6781

Email: info@ucci.edu.ky

### **Dean University College of the Cayman Islands**

Dr. Brian Chapell

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P.O. Box 702, KY1-1107 George Town, Grand Cayman

Telephone Number: 345-949-9580 Fax: 345-949-6781

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#### **Director of UCCI Brac Campus**

Martin Keeley

#### **Physical Address**

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## **Mailing Address**

P.O Box 255 Stake Bay KY2-2101 Cayman Brac

Telephone Number: 345-948-8128 Fax: 345-948-8129

Email mkeeley@ucci.edu.ky

## **University College of the Cayman Islands Contact Details**

Grand Cayman Office Address:

## **Physical Address**

University of the Cayman Islands (UCCI) 168 Olympic Way,

George Town, Grand Cayman

## **Mailing Address**

P.O. Box 702, KY1-1107

George Town, Grand Cayman

Telephone Number: 345-949-9580 Fax: 345-949-6781

#### **UCCI Information Manager**

Mrs. Lucille Kong at 345-623 8224 or direct line at 345-623-0563 or e-mail lkong@ucci.edu.ky or foi@ucci.edu.ky

## **Organisation and functions**

#### Mission:

The University College of the Cayman Islands is an institution of higher learning that contributes to the Caymanian society by advancing knowledge and developing creative graduates through its cultural, social, economic and environmental activities.

#### Administration:

University of the Cayman Islands (UCCI)

P.O. Box 702,

George Town KY1-1107

Grand Cayman

Telephone Number: 345-623 8224 Fax: 345-949-6781

Website: www.ucci.edu.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
University College of the Cayman Islands Administration Office Opening hours Monday-Thursday 8:30am –5:30 pm Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm	Application/registration for students and enquires from the public about our programmes.
The Sam Basdeo Learning and Resource Centre Opening hours Monday- Thursday 8:00 am-7:30 pm Friday 8:00 am-4:00 pm Sat 9:00 am-1:00 pm	Learning resources, books, proprietary database, staff expertise in research assistance and study facilities.
Civil Service College of the Cayman Islands Monday 8:00 am- Thursday 9:00 pm Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm	Application/registration special courses for Civil Servants and enquiries from the public about our programmes

#### **Boards and Committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
UCCI Board of Governors  Chairman: Mrs. Berna Thompson Cummins, Deputy Chairman: Mr.Taron Jackman Mr. Orren Merren Ms. Janet Farrington-Martinez Mr. Isacc Rankin Dr. Livingston Smith Mr. Gary Clark Mr. Bruce Blake Mr. Samuel Rose Sectary: Ms. Lucille Kong Ex-Officio: Mr. Roy Bodden Ms. Mary Rodrigues	Location: University College Of the Cayman Islands	Minutes may be requisitioned through a FOI request by contacting Mrs. Lucille Kong at foi @ucci.edu.ky

## History

Government-sponsored tertiary education in the Cayman Islands began in 1975 when the Community College was established as a part-time institution. From 1976 to 1981 three other institutions - the Trade School, the Hotel School and the Marine School - were founded. These schools were located at different sites and were supervised either by the Ministry of Education or the Ministry of Tourism and Labour.

In 1985, the Government of the Cayman Islands decided to centralise the administration of all public post-secondary educational institutions on the islands. The Hotel Training School, the Marine & Trade Training School and the Secretarial/Business Studies Section of the Sixth Form of the Cayman Islands High School were amalgamated to form the Community College of the Cayman Islands.

In 1987, by an Act of the Legislative Assembly, the College was established as a semiautonomous post-secondary educational institution.

In 2004, by an act of the Legislative Assembly, the name of the institution was changed from the Community College of the Cayman Islands to the University College of the Cayman Islands.

Governance of the College, as stipulated in the Community College Law, 1987, and in subsequent revisions of 2004, is the responsibility of a Board of Governors and an Academic and Advisory Committee.

## **Ministry**

UCCI functions under the Ministry of Education, Training and Employment.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The Ministry of Education, Training and Employment administers the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programmes to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

#### Governance

- University College Law (2005 Revision)
- Freedom of Information Law, 2007
- The National Archive and Public Records Law, 2007
- The National Archive and Public Records Regulations, 2007
- The Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- Personnel Regulations, 2006
- The Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)

NB: These are available from the UCCI, Sam Basdeo Learning and Resource Centre. (Photocopying is \$0.10 per page)

Board of Governors Minutes (accessible through a Freedom of Information Request)

#### Corporate management

- Mission Statement
- Hurricane Disaster/Recovery and Emergency Preparedness Plan 2006

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

#### Financial management

- Budget
- Audit Reports
- Accounting Policies (still under review)
- Financial Statement
- Tender
- Contracts

#### Administration

- Examinations
- Insurance Polices
- Employment Contracts
- Petty Cash Vouchers
- Receipts
- Job Vacancies (http://www.ucci.edu.ky)
- File Plan (work in progress)

#### **Human Resources**

- Organizational Chart (electronic copy)
- Directory of Officers and Employee (http://www.ucci.edu.ky )
- Job Descriptions
- Dress Code

#### **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

- Internal Procedures for Identifying and Processing a Freedom of information Request (FOI)
- Library Management System Procedural Document
- Bachelor Degree Regulation
- Learning Resources Centre Policy Document
- Student General Regulations
- Academic Regulations
- IT Policies
- Admin. and Support Staff
- New Faculty
- Refund Policy
- Tuition Payment Plans

#### Information and Technology

Press Releases

#### **DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Committee Minutes (Electronic Record)

#### LIST AND REGISTERS

- FOI requests
- FOI Request handling

#### **OUR SERVICES**

- Transcript Request Forms (transcript cost \$10 for the first one any additional will cost \$5)
- Application forms
- Letter Request Forms (\$10)
- Add and Drop Form (\$10)
- Withdrawal Forms (\$ 10)
- Student Records (Exemption under the freedom of information law section 23(1) Pg 87, but Students can access their personal records)
- Degree Plans
- Credit Transfer forms
- Challenge Exam Forms (cost \$75)
- Grade Appeal Forms
- College Catalogue (http://www.ucci.edu.ky) electronic copy
- Forms/Leaflets (http://www.ucci.edu.ky) electronic copy

## **Learning Resource Centre Patron Services**

- Library membership forms (individual membership \$25+\$100 deposit fee)
- Library membership (maximum of 5 persons membership \$25 +\$100 deposit fee)
- Lending Resources
- Providing Internet connectivity
- Assisting patrons in research techniques
- Providing research services

#### **Brochures**

- Certificate
- Associate Degree
- Bachelor Degree
- Bachelor of Science in Social Science
- Master Degree in Human Resource Management
- Legal Secretary
- Post Graduate Diploma in Education
- Master Degree in Business Administration
- University College Brochures
- Continuing Education
- Sam Basdeo Learning Resource Centre
- ILEX Diploma in Vocational Paralegal Studies
- Diploma in Education

- Charted Institute of Securities and Investment
- Professional MBA

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

## What are the degrees offered at UCCI?

The degrees offered are Associate, Bachelor and Master Degrees.

## Do you offer certificate programmes?

Yes we do, such as accounting, computer technology, construction technology and electrical technology.

## How long is the certificate programme?

The duration of these programmes is one (1) year.

## What are the criteria for entry to the Associate degree?

The criteria is four (4) CXC/GCSE/IGCSE including English at General/Technical proficiency levels with grade 1-111 or a SAT score of 1425.

## • What is the cost of the application fee?

The cost of the application fee CI\$25.00.



# Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender & Housing

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If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

The exemptions and exceptions which relate specifically to the information that the Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing hold are:

- Seamen's payroll register Exempted by Section 23 of the FOI Law
- Ex-Servicemen's payroll register Exempted by Section 23 of the FOI Law
- Ministry personnel files Exempted by Section 23 of the FOI Law
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#### Post

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Information Manager
Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing
4<sup>th</sup> Floor Government Administration Building
71A Elgin Avenue, George Town
Grand Cayman, KY1-9000
CAYMAN ISLANDS

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## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

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Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing
4<sup>th</sup> Floor Government Administration Building
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CAYMAN ISLANDS

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#### 6. Complaints

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Further information about our complaints handling procedures can be obtained from contacting 244-2424.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

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# **ABOUT US**

# Name of Public Authority

Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing

### **Minister**

Honourable Mike Adam, MBE, JP 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Government Administration Building 71A Elgin Avenue, George Town Grand Cayman, KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS Contact numbers: 345-244-2426

# **Principal Officer (Chief Officer)**

Dorine B. Whittaker
Government Administration Building
71A Elgin Avenue, George Town
Grand Cayman, KY1-9000
CAYMAN ISLANDS

Contact number: 345-244-2424 Fax number: 345-949-3896

# **Information Manager and Designate**

Tamara Y. Ebanks - Information Manager

Government Administration Building 71A Elgin Avenue, George Town Grand Cayman, KY1-9000 **CAYMAN ISLANDS** 

Contact number: 345-244-2443 Fax number: 345-949-3896

Leisa Welcome - Information Manager Designate

Government Administration Building 71A Elgin Avenue, George Town Grand Cayman, KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Contact number: 345-244-2426 Fax number: 345-949-3896

# Organisation and functions

The purpose of the Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing is to provide policy advice and administrative services for the Minister and Cabinet.

Location and hours	Matters handled
Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing 71A Elgin Avenue, George Town Grand Cayman, KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS Contact number: 345-244-2424 Fax number: 345-949-3896  Hours of Operation: 8:30am – 5:00pm Mondays to Fridays	Policy and Planning Legislation Administration Human Resource Management Freedom of Information Complaints Hazard Management Application for transfer payments (Seamen Exgratia and Community Development Scholarships) Community Development Action Committee grants
Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing Financial Unit Cricket Square 171 Elgin Avenue George Town, Grand Cayman CAYMAN ISLANDS Ph: 345-945-6705 Fax: 345-945-1752  Hours of Operation: 8:30am – 5:00pm Mondays to Fridays	Accounts Payable Accounts Receivable Preparing Budget Day to Day Operations Processing transfer payments Payroll Capital Projects Equity Injections Executive Assets Processing grants to Non-Governmental Organisations

**Boards and Committees** 

Board of Directors for the National Housing Development Trust	Meetings	Minutes
Edward S. Mclaughlin, Chairman Edlin Myles, Deputy Chairman Allan Bush, Director Michael Godfrey, Director Ann-Marie Powell, Director Janet James, Director Harilyn Bodden, Director Jaron Jackson, Director	The Board of Directors meets twice a month at the National Housing Development Trust in Cayman Centre. Meetings are not open to the public.	Please contact the Acting General Manager, Janet James at 945-7649.
Adoption Board – To be announced		
Cinematographic Board – To be announced		
T.E. McField Youth and Community Centre Management Committee		
Chairman: Mr. Paul Byles,  Members: Mr. Dale Ramoon, Ms. Katherine Whittaker  Secretary: Mrs. Zemrie Thompson	The Committee meets once a year and the meetings are not open to the public.	Please contact the Secretary, Mrs. Zemrie Thompson at 949-0290.
Children and Youth Services Foundation (CAYS)	Meetings	Minutes

Mr. Ormond Williams Mr. Nicholas Freeland Mr. Sean Parchment Jackie Doak	Chairman of the Board Deputy Chairman Treasurer of the Board Member	The CAYS Foundation meets every other month (6 times a year) at the Dotcom Centre. Meetings are not open to the public.	Please contact the Chief Executive Officer, Angela Sealey at 946-2903.
Jenny Manderson	Member		
Jane Wareham	Member		
Felix Manzanares	Member		
Dr. Ajit Ambekar	Member		
Gerard Mendez	Member		

# Frequently Asked Questions

Can an applicant qualify for both the seafarer's and ex-servicemen's ex-gratia benefit?

No as both of these benefits are service related.

Can an applicant apply for Seamen's ex-gratia benefits and financial assistance?

Yes as long as their total household income is below \$2,000.00 per month.

### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the Ministry's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the Ministry's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the Ministry's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

# **Governance**

- The Report on the Predisposing Factors to Criminality in the Cayman Islands (June 2006)
- Cabinet Papers Exempted under Section 19 of the FOI Law
- Minutes of Cabinet Meetings Exempted under Section 19 of the FOI Law

# **Governing Legislation and Regulations**

- Personnel Regulations (2006)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)
- Financial Regulations (2008 Revision)
- Freedom of Information Law (2007 Revision)
- The Freedom of Information (General) Regulations (2008 Revision)
- The Cayman Islands Constitution Order (2009)
- Adoption of Children Law (2003 Revision)
- Poor Persons (Relief) Law (1997 revision)
- Companies Law (2004 Revision)
- Youth Justice Law (2005 Revision)
- Juveniles Law (1990)
- Adoption of Children Regulations (2003 Revision)
- The Children Law (2003 Revision)
- Protection from Domestic Violence Law (2010)

# <u>Legislation administered by the Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing; in development; or under review</u>

- Poor Persons (Relief) Regulations
- Adoption of Children Law (Amendments)
- Adoption of Children Regulations (Amendments)
- The Children Law Regulations

# **Corporate management**

- 2010 2011 Strategic Policy Statement
- Ministry of Community Affairs and Housing's 2010 Hazard Management Plan
- Ministry of Community Affairs and Housing's 2010 Continuity of Operations Plan

### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the Ministry's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

# Financial management

- 2010 2011 Strategic Policy Statement
- Budget 2010/11 Annual Plan & Estimates for Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing
- Budget 2010/11 Annual Budget Statement for Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing
- Tendering Instructions for the Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing
- Purchase and Ownership Agreements

# **Administration**

Documents relating to other administrative functions carried out within the Ministry – including buildings, equipment & vehicles; communications; human resources; information & technology management.

# **Communications**

- Press Releases
- Speeches

# **Human Resources**

- Ministry Job Descriptions
- Directory of Ministry staff
- Performance Agreement Templates
- Job vacancies
- 2010 Annual Salary Scale for Salaried staff and Hourly Rates for Bi-Weekly Employees
- Ministry's Organisational Chart

# **Information and Technology Management**

Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing File Classification Index

### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

### **Draft policies and procedures:**

- Complaints Handling Procedures
- Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual
- Information Management Policy

# Approved policies and procedures:

Overtime, Comp Time/Time-off In-Lieu (TOIL) and Flexible and Additional Hours Policy

# **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Assessment Criteria for Seamen's Ex-gratia Benefits
- Assessment Criteria for Ex-Servicemen Ex-gratia Benefits
- Guidelines for Community Development Grants and Scholarships

# **LISTS & REGISTERS**

- Fixed Asset Register
- FOI disclosure log
- Seamen's payroll register Exempted under Section 23 of the FOI Law

• Ex-Servicemen payroll register - Exempted under Section 23 of the FOI Law

# **OUR SERVICES**

- Application Form for Community Development Scholarships
- Application Form for Caymanian Seamen's Grant
   Application Form for Caymanian Seamen's Grant (Spouse)



# **Department of Children & Family Services**

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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### Online

Some of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at www.dcfs.gov.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact Yvonne Evans, Information Manager or Millant Hydes-Brown, Information Manager Designate at (345)949-0290.

### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email foi.chd@gov.ky, or yvonne.evans@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

# <u>Phone</u>

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call Ms. Yvonne Evans, Information Manager or Millant Hydes-Brown, Information Manager Designate at 949-0290 to request information.

# <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Yvonne Evans
Information Manager
Department of Children & Family Services
P.O. Box 10653
Grand Cayman KY1-1006
Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

# Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Information Manager, Yvonne Evans or Information Manager Designate, Millant Hydes-Brown at (345) 949-0290, or yvonne.evans@gov.ky or Millant.hydes-brown@gov.ky, or foi.chd@gov.ky.

The Department of Children & Family Services will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Department of Children & Family Services is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Department of Children & Family Services strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided **free of charge**.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

# Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

### Postage costs

The Department of Children & Family Services will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Department of Children & Family Services has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Department of Children & Family Services that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

Requests will be considered in accordance with the Freedom of Information Law and can be requested by contacting the Information Manager Yvonne Evans at 949-0290 or email foi.chd@gov.ky.

### 6. Complaints

The Department of Children & Family Services aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please write or contact Yvonne Evans, Freedom of Information Manager, Department of Children & Family Services at 949-0290, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible. If you do not have access to the internet, you may obtain a copy of our Complaints Procedure from any of our office locations between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from Yvonne Evans at 949-0290 or email foi.chd@gov.ky, or yvonne.evans@gov.ky.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Department of Children & Family Services

### **Ministry**

Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender & Housing

# **Chief Officer**

Ms. Dorine Whittaker, Ministry of Community Affairs & Housing, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, Cayman Islands

#### Director

Mrs. Deanna Look Loy, Department of Children & Family Services, P.O. Box 10653 KY1-1006, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, BritCay House, 236 Eastern Avenue, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

### **Deputy Director**

Ms. Alicia (Jen) Dixon, Department of Children & Family Services, P.O. Box 10653 KY1-1006, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, BritCay House, 236 Eastern Avenue, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

# **Information Manager**

Ms. Yvonne Evans Information Manager Department of Children & Family Services P.O. Box 10653 Grand Cayman KY1-1006 Cayman Islands

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# **Organisation and functions**

The Department of Children & Family Services exists to enhance the ability of vulnerable individuals and families to function effectively as members of a caring society, and to enable them to realise their full potential. We will achieve this through preventative strategies, professional social work, and by encouraging social planning.

The aim of professional social work practice is to provide high quality social work services to individuals and groups who may encounter problems within their environment. The services are provided in a respectful and confidential manner. The professional Social Work Principles of the National Association of Social Workers, U.S.A. are used as the foundation for practice.

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Location and hours	Matters handled
Department of Children & Family Services Administrative Office  1 <sup>st</sup> Floor BritCay House 236 Eastern Avenue George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands	Financial and Administrative Matters Human Resources
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday	
Department of Children & Family Services George Town District Office 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Mirco Center George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday	Financial and Administrative Matters Social Work
Department of Children & Family Services Eastern District Office Brightdayz Plaza, Bodden Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands 8:30 to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday	Financial and Administrative Matters Social Work
	Figure 1 and Administrative Matters
Department of Children & Family Services  West Bay District Office (Former Sunrise Training Centre -On compound of John A. Cumber Primary School) Fountain Road West Bay Grand Cayman Cayman Islands	Financial and Administrative Matters Social Work
8:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday	
Department of Children & Family Services Cayman Brac Office District Administration Building 19 Kirkconnell Street Cayman Brac	Financial and Administrative Matters Social Work (*Kirkconnell Community Care Centre)

Cayman Islands	
8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday	

### **Boards and committees**

Poor Relief Committee	Meetings	Minutes
Chairperson: Mrs. Deanna Look Loy	Meets at least quarterly at the Department of	Access to the information will be restricted as it relates to clients and is of a
Secretary: Mrs. Norma Jackson	Children & Family Services,	personal nature.
Committee Members:	Administrative Office. The meetings are not	Requests for minutes should be requested in writing and
Ms. Alicia (Jen)Dixon Ms. Donnette Scott-Powery	open to the public.	can be obtained from the Information Manager. Please
Mrs. Deborah Webb-Sibblies		refer to section: 3 - Methods of access.

# Frequently asked questions

# • What do I have to do to get assistance?

Call and schedule an appointment with an Intake Officer if you do not have an assigned Social Worker. Contact should be made at the district office located in the area in which you reside. You will be interviewed and assessed to determine the need and eligibility for services being requested.

# What are the criteria for services e.g. financial assistance, medical, etc.?

The Social Worker will interview and conduct a financial assessment to determine your level of need and if you are eligible for services. The interview and assessment must ascertain that you are unable to meet your basic needs. Support from family and friends must be identified. You will be required to provide proof of your income and expenditure. Information provided must be confirmed with relevant persons/employers and agencies prior to assistance being approved.

# • Why do I have to provide so much personal information to get help?

This is done to help determine the level of need and eligibility for the services being requested. The more information provided, the better it is to assess how best to help you. In addition, limited government funds are being used to provide the services; therefore the Department is accountable for how it is utilized and there must be justification for the services provided.

### Why does the Department take children away?

The DCFS has the legal mandate to protect children. The Department will remove children if it "has reasonable cause to suspect that the child is suffering or is likely to suffer significant harm", for example physical, emotional and psychological, neglect sexual and other forms of abuse. The Department must have sufficient grounds and will remove children in these instances.

# How old do I need to be to adopt a child?

The requirements outlined in the Adoption Law State a person must be 25 years of age but not over 65.

# Do I have to be married to adopt a child?

Adoptive parents may be married or single, childless or already parenting other children. If married, they must have been married and living together for no less than three years. If a person is married but separated, he or she will need the written consent of his or her spouse in order to make an application.

# Does DCFS provide caregivers to look after elderly people in their own homes?

This service is provided on a small scale through the Home Care Program in Cayman Brac. The service is no longer provided in Grand Cayman.

# How do I get my family member placed in a DCFS home for the elderly?

Schedule an appointment to be interviewed by a Social Worker in the district in which the individual lives. The Social Worker will conduct a financial assessment and interview to determine eligibility based on indigence and genuine need for the service. A referral is then sent to the Adult Special Needs Supervisor who will conduct a home visit to assess the health care needs of the individual, the kinds of services needed and the number of hours that the Department will provide. In the event that the Department's Home cannot provide accommodation, a placement will be sought in the NCVO Pines Retirement Home.

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# Governance

- Children's Law 2003
- Juveniles Law 1990
- Adoption of Children Law 2003 (Revision)
- Youth Justice Law 1995

- Poor Persons Relief Law 1997
- Complaints Procedure
- Public Accounts Law (2009 Revision)
- Labour Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)
- Public Management and Finance Regulations (2007 Revision)
- Immigration Law (2006 Revision)
- Immigration Law (Regulations)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision)
- Health Insurance Regulations (2005 Revision)
- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision)
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# **Corporate management**

- Audit Reports
- Hurricane Preparedness Plan
- Annual Reports

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# Financial management

- Financial Statements
- Annual Budget
- Monthly Reports
- Quarterly Reports
- Annual Reports

#### Administration

Documents relating to other administrative functions carried out within the authority – including buildings, equipment & vehicles; communications; human resources; information & technology management.

- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Human Resources

### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Current written protocols used by the authority for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services.

- Complaints Procedure
- Management of Child Abuse Referrals and Investigations in the Cayman Islands
- Procedure Manual (2008/2009)
- Hurricane Preparedness Manual

### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decision-making processes.

### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

Information held in registers required by law and other lists or registers relating to the functions of the authority.

FOI disclosure log

### **OUR SERVICES**

This category provides detailed information about the services offered and activities carried out by the authority, to fulfil its high-level functions and responsibilities.

**Preventive Services to Families:** Prevention and intervention services to individuals and families via counselling, education and case management.

**Services to the Elderly:** Prevention and intervention services with a focus on promoting the welfare of elderly persons to enjoy a wholesome and meaningful life.

**Home Care Services to the Elderly:** Provision of an array of services to elderly persons who are unable to reside in their own private homes.

**Special Needs Services for Adults & Children:** Provision of residential services to persons who are physically and mentally challenged.

**Rehabilitation Services:** Intervention services for juveniles who have interacted with the Legal Court system.

**Nutritional Assistance:** Provision of school lunch support to school aged children who are in need of such services.

**Placement for Children in Need of Care and Protection:** Provision of alternative residential services to children who are in need of Foster Care Placement and or Residential Placement.

**Temporary Financial Assistance:** Provision of temporary financial services to persons who are deemed in need of such assistance.

**Permanent Poor Relief Assistance:** Provisions of permanent poor relief assistance to persons who are deemed indigent and in need of such assistance.

**Health Care Assistance:** Provisions of health insurance coverage to persons who have been deemed indigent.

**Protection for Children at Risk:** Provision of services to children who are deemed to be at risk of child abuse within the society.

**Pre-School Support Services:** Temporary financial assistance to parents with children under 3.9 years who are deemed to be in need of such assistance.

**Essential Relief & Disaster Services:** Provision of support services to persons who may be place at risk during a natural disaster.

**Adoption Services:** Provision of assistance to the Judicial System in the preparation of relevant documentation and reports.

**Support towards Autonomy Retraining and Self Sufficiency:** Provision of support and retraining services to adults who may be in need of such assistance.

# **Classes of Information Held:**

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# **Office Files (Internal Matters)**

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# Inactive Juvenile Client Files (BritCay House and District Offices)

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# Forms:

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The exemptions and exceptions which relate specifically to the information that the Department of Counselling Services hold are:

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Department of Counselling Services
C/o Government Administration Building,
George Town, Grand Cayman,
KY1 – 9000
Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See *section 4: Fees and charges* for further details.)

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# 4. Fees and charges

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Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

# Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

# Postage costs

The Department of Counselling Services will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

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# 5. Requests for information outside the publication scheme

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# 6. Complaints

The Department of Counselling Services aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Administrative Manager, Department of Counselling Services and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

To receive a copy of our Confidentiality and Complaints Process, please contact us by telephone at 949-8789 or by e-mail at counselling.services@gov.ky.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

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# **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Department of Counselling Services

# Ministry

Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing 4th Floor Government Administration Building 71A Elgin Avenue, George Town Grand Cayman, KY1-9000

CAYMAN ISLANDS

# **Key staff**

Chief Officer, Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing – Ms Dorine B. Whittaker

Director, Department of Counselling Services – Ms Judith Seymour

Deputy Director, Department of Counselling Services – Mr Donald Potkins

Administrative Manager, Department of Counselling Services – Ms Leah Feeny/Mrs. Vanessa Rivers

Clinical Supervisor, Caribbean Haven Residential Centre – Ms Esther Taylor

Clinical Supervisor, The Counselling Centre – Ms Susanne Clements

Information Manager, Administrative Manager – Ms Leah Feeny/Mrs. Vanessa Rivers

The Freedom of Information website www.foi.gov.ky

# Organisation and functions

The Department of Counselling Services provides high quality, cost-effective treatment services in the Cayman Islands. The Department is comprised of four distinct agencies: The Counselling Centre located at 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Flag Ship Building in George Town provides community-based counselling services to residents of Grand Cayman who may require assistance with a variety of life challenges including drug and alcohol issues, family and relationship difficulties or issues related to personal growth and development while Brac Haven – Sister Islands Counselling Centre provides these services to residents of the Sister Islands at their offices in Kirkconnell Commercial Centre on Cayman Brac; the Family Resource Centre facilitates family skills and educational programmes, delivers workshops and presentations, provides crisis intervention and advocacy to victims of family violence, and conducts public awareness campaigns to strengthen families and individuals and provide the foundation for a healthy society. Caribbean Haven Residential Centre located in Breakers, Grand Cayman offers intensive substance abuse treatment that is tailored to the needs of adult male and female clients is provided to all resident in the Cayman Islands.

# Mailing address:

c/o Government Administration Building, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

# Telephone and Fax numbers

The Counselling Centre (345) 949-8789 phone; (345) 949-0767 fax

The Family Resource Centre (345) 949-0006 (Phone); (345) 949-0767 fax

Caribbean Haven Residential Centre (345) 947-9992 phone; (345) 947-9892 fax

Brac Haven – Sister Islands Counselling Centre (345) 948-2354 phone; (345) 948 -2374 fax

Email address: <a href="mailto:counselling.services@gov.ky">counselling.services@gov.ky</a>

Website address: N/A

Location and hours	Matters handled
The Counselling Centre 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Flag Ship Building George Town  Hours of Operation: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with additional opening hours for specific client services.	Individual, Couples, Family & Group Therapy Clinical assessments and reports Driving under the Influence Programme Treatment Services to clients in Drug Rehabilitation Court Policy Advice to the Minister of Community Affairs & Housing
Caribbean Haven Residential Centre 2049 Bodden Town Road Breakers	Residential Treatment Programme for Men Non-medical detoxification services Residential Treatment Programme for Women
Hours of Operation: 24 hours a day, 365 days a year  Personal visits by appointment only	
The Family Resource Centre 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Flag Ship Building George Town  Hours of Operation: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with additional opening hours for specific client services.	Public Awareness Initiatives Family Programmes Workshops and Presentations Aimed to Empower and Educate Crisis Intervention & Victim Advocacy Case Management Services
Brac Haven – Sister Islands Counselling Centre  Hours of Operation: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with additional opening hours for specific client services.	Treatment Services & Public Awareness activities to the Sister Islands

# Frequently asked questions

- Question: What is Counselling?
- Answer: Counselling helps you look at difficulties and issues that you may be experiencing in your daily life. Sharing thoughts and feelings in the context of a therapeutic relationship will enable you to understand more clearly what is happening in your life, and to define how you would like things to change. Our clients come for Counselling with a broad range of concerns, for example: anxiety, depression, suicidal feelings, mental health problems, past traumas, drug use, bereavement, issues concerning relationships, sexuality, family problems, self-harm and eating disorders. Whatever the issue is, or seems to be, you will be welcome.

# • Question: What can I expect from Counselling?

• Answer: You and your counsellor will discuss the issues which are causing you difficultly and develop a treatment plan that identifies the goals which you would like to work on. Your treatment plan will also identify any group counselling that may be relevant to support the work you do on an individual basis with your counsellor. As you continue in counselling you and your counsellor will review your progress on achieving your goals and discuss any changes which may be necessary.

# • Question: What is the cost of receiving service from the Department of Counselling Services?

• Answer: The Department of Counselling Services is a fully funded agency of the Cayman Islands Government; therefore we do not extend any fees to our clients. At the Residential Centre, clients are asked to make a donation towards the cost of their treatment once they become employed; however a client's inability to make a donation will not hinder the accessibility of treatment.

# • Question: What specific services does the Department offer?

• Answer: Community-based services that are offered from The Counselling Centre & Brac Haven include: Individual, Couples & Family Therapy, Specialised Group Therapy, Alcohol & Drug Treatment and Prevention and Educational Workshops. The Family Resource Centre facilitates family skills and educational programmes, delivers workshops and presentations, provides crisis intervention and advocacy to victims of family violence, and conducts public awareness campaigns aimed at strengthening families and individuals in order to provide the foundation for a healthy society. Residential Services for persons experiencing difficulties with drug and alcohol misuse and abuse are offered from Caribbean Haven Residential Centre. These include: Non-medical Withdrawal Management, Long Term Residential Treatment for Men and Women, and a re-entry programme to assist clients to reintegrate back into their families and communities.

# • Question: Are my visits to the Department confidential?

• **Answer:** The privacy of your personal information is of paramount importance to us. As such, the Department has developed a Confidentiality & Internal Complaints Process Section 1.2 (Please see attached).

- Question: How do I access treatment or counselling for the first time?
- Answer: If you are seeking community-based services, The Counselling Centre offers a walk in- Intake service Tuesday thru Thursday 9:00am to 4:00pm. Therefore no appointment is necessary for you to speak with a counsellor during these times. To access residential services, a visit to The Counselling Centre must be made during the intake service. You and your Counsellor will decide together if Residential Treatment is appropriate for you. If determined appropriate, arrangements will be made for your admission into the Residential Centre. If withdrawal management services are required, you may self refer at the Caribbean Haven Residential Centre.
- At <u>Brac Haven</u>, the counsellor offers walk-in services on Mondays from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Alternatively, you may call 948-2354 to speak with the counsellor to set up an appointment at your convenience.
- To contact staff from the <u>Family Resource Centre</u> or to discuss how their services may be helpful to you, your family, or an organisation in which you are involved, call 949-0006.

# • Question: How long is the residential treatment programme at Caribbean Haven?

• Answer: The length of the treatment programme varies according to the needs of the individual client, but on average the programme runs for a minimum of 23 weeks. A clients length of stay at the treatment centre is determined in collaboration with the staff and treatment community according to progress made towards achieving their goals identified within their treatment plan.

# • Question: How long will it take before I can be admitted to residential treatment?

- **Answer:** Upon completion of a comprehensive assessment with your counsellor, your admission to the treatment centre will be arranged. This process will be handled in as timely a manner as possible but could take up to four weeks to complete.
- Question: Does the residential treatment programme accept overseas referrals.
- **Answer:** Services are provided only for residents of the Cayman Islands.

# • Question: Are your Counsellors qualified to engage in clinical counselling?

• Answer: Yes all of our counsellors are qualified to either a Master's or Bachelors degree level or hold certification in relevant disciplines. Additionally, counsellors receive clinical supervision on a weekly basis to ensure the quality of the services provided.

### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the Department's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and Departmental policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the Department's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or reviewing laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the Department's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

# Governance

• The Report on the Predisposing Factors to Criminality in the Cayman Islands (June 2006)

# Governing Legislation and Regulations

- Personnel Regulations (2006)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)
- Financial Regulations (2008 Revision)
- Freedom of Information Law (2007 Revision)
- The Freedom of Information (General) Regulations (2008 Revision)
- The Cayman Islands Constitution Order (2009)
- The Children Law (2003 Revision)

# Corporate management

- 2009 2010 Strategic Policy Statement
- The Department of Counselling Services' 2010 Hurricane Plan
- Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing's 2010 Continuity of Operations Plan
- Annual reports link to

http://www.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1142,1591697& dad=portal& schema=PORTAL

# FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the Department's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

# Financial management

- 2010 2011 Strategic Policy Statement
- Budget 2010/11 Annual Plan & Estimates for Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing
- Budget 2010/101Annual Budget Statement for Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing
- Tendering Instructions for the Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing

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- Directory of Departmental staff
- Performance Agreement Templates
- Job vacancies
- 2010 Annual Salary Scale for Salaried staff and Hourly Rates for Bi-Weekly Employees
- Department's Organisational Chart

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- Ministry's Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual
- Ministry's Information Management Policy

### Approved policies and procedures:

Confidentiality & Internal Complaints Process

# LISTS & REGISTERS

- Fixed Asset Register
- FOI disclosure log

# **OUR SERVICES**

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# **National Housing Development Trust**

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public company covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the National Housing Development Trust to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The National Housing Development Trust will:

specify the information held by the Trust, which falls within the seven (7) categories below:

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the Trust and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The National Housing Development Trust will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the National Housing Development Trust, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the National Housing Development Trust's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

### Email

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# Phone

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# Post

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Information Manager
National Housing Development Trust
P.O. Box 2379
George Town
Grand Cayman KY1-1105
CAYMAN ISLANDS

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We will respond to your request immediately. The Law requires public authorities to respond within 30 calendar days, allowing an extension of an additional 30 calendar days if needed. We are obligated by law to always acknowledge receipt of all FOI requests made to the Information Manager and we are also obligated to let you know if there is a need to extend the deadline. For detailed advice on what sorts of information is exempt please see the FOI Unit website.

# 6. Complaints

The National Housing Development Trust aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Mrs. Janet James at (345) 945-7649 or nhdt@gov.ky, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Below is an outline of how the public can make a complaint:

# How to make a complaint

Formal complaints can be made in the form of a letter to the National Housing Development Trust in person, or by mail. As a matter of policy, the National Housing Development Trust will not accept complaints from third parties as issues of confidentiality may arise.

Written complaints must be clear and state the nature of the issue including individuals involved, dates, times, etc. Contact details (mailing address, telephone numbers, email, etc.) are required and all such complaints must be signed and dated in order to be processed as promptly as possible.

If the National Housing Development Trust is unclear about any part of the formal complaint at any point, clients may be contacted to provide further clarification before a full investigation can be conducted.

# You can make a complaint:

# 1. In writing to:

SaraLee Moore Information Manager P.O. Box 2379GT Grand Cayman KY1-1105 CAYMAN ISLANDS

2. **Via email:** nhdt@gov.ky mailto:janet.james@gov.ky

# How National Housing Development Trust handles complaints

When your complaint has been received it will be formally recorded and processed in the following manner:

- The matter will be investigated and a full response will be sent out within 30 business days of receiving the complaint
- Where a full response cannot be made within 30 business days, the client will be notified of the progress of the complaint and advised when a response can be expected.
- All parties involved will be given an opportunity to provide the National Housing Development Trust with the necessary information to resolve the issue. All information will be gathered as appropriate to the case.
- All attempts will be made to handle complaints with confidentiality and sensitivity. In exceptional circumstances it may not be possible to maintain confidentiality in order to resolve the issue. Should this be the case, the client will be consulted to discuss available options.

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## **ABOUT US**

## Name of public company

**National Housing Development Trust** 

## **Ministry**

Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender and Housing 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building George Town Grand Cayman

## **Interim General Manager**

Ms. Janet James 118 Dorcy Drive Cayman Centre, Building E, Unit 4 P.O. Box 2379 Grand Cayman KY1-1105 CAYMAN ISLANDS

## **Information Manager**

SaraLee Moore Information Manager P.O. Box 2379 Grand Cayman KY1-1105 CAYMAN ISLANDS NHDT FOI Email: foi.nhdt@gov.ky FOI Website: www.foi.gov.ky

Ph: (345) 945-7649 Fax: (345) 945-7679

## **Designate**

**TBA** 

## **Organisation and functions**

The National Housing Development Trust's objects are the business of providing:

- 1. housing;
- 2. accommodation;
- assistance to help house people;
- 4. associated facilities and amenities;
- 5. loans and advances and the giving of guarantees for the benefit of the people of the Cayman Islands.

Location and hours	Matters handled
National Housing Development Trust Cayman Centre, Building E, Unit 4 118 Dorcy Drive George Town Grand Cayman Opening hours: Mon – Fri 9:00am – 4:30pm	Assist low income Caymanian families to obtain home ownership via the New Affordable Housing Program – NAHI     Administer the Government Guaranteed Home Assisted Mortgage Program on behalf of the Cayman Islands Government GGHAM     Assist property owners with new construction of an affordable home on their property the Build on your own Property- BYOP  4. Assist low income Caymanian families to obtain rental accommodation via the Affordable Housing Initiative program.

## **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Board of Directors Mr. Steve Mclaughlin, Chairman Mr. Edlin Myles, Deputy Chairman Ms. Ann-Marie Powell, Director Mr. Allan Bush, Director		Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by requesting a copy in writing from the

Mr. Jaron Jackson, Director Mr. Michael Godfrey, Director Ms. Janet James,		Information Manager.
Tenders Sub-Committee Mr. Edward McLaughlin (Chairman) Mr. Edlin Myles Mr. Michael Godfrey Mr. Jaron Jackson Mr. Allan Bush	NHDT Board Meetings are not open to public and are held at least once a week.	Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by requesting a copy in writing from the Information Manager.
GGHAM Sub-Committee Ms Ann-Marie Powell Ms Janet James Ms Natacia McLaughlin	NHDT Board Meetings are not open to public and are held once a week.	Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by requesting a copy in writing from the Information Manager.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

What is the Government Guaranteed Home Assisted Mortgage?

The Cayman Islands Government, working with the National Housing Development Trust and local private Banks to provide mortgages to Caymanian and Caymanian Status

Holders.

How does the GGHAM Work?

The Government Guaranteed Home Assisted Mortgage Scheme (GGHAM) is a great way to home ownership for people with the financial means to qualify for a mortgage from a private bank, but who lack the required capital injection (deposit) to achieve home ownership. Under this scheme, applicants can qualify for up to 100% of the loan amount, including closing costs, provided the total amount does not exceed the current market value of the home being purchased.

For more FAQ's about the Government Guaranteed Home Assisted Mortgage programme please refer to the Government Guaranteed Home Assisted Mortgage brochure.

- How do I qualify for the Affordable Housing Program?
  - ⇒ Be a first-time home owner
  - ⇒ Not earn more than CI\$30,000.00 per year (single applicant) or CI\$45,000.00 (joint applicants).
  - ⇒ Become the owner/occupier of the home being purchased

- ⇒ Be currently employed for at least one year or self-employed for two years or more.
- ⇒ Currently reside in Grand Cayman
- ⇒ Be Caymanian or hold Caymanian Status
- ⇒ Be within the age bracket required for repaying a mortgage.
- Can I apply for a home now?

Yes, Application packages can be collected from the NHDT office.

For more FAQ's about the Affordable Housing Program please refer to the Building Partnerships for Affordable Housing brochure.

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#### Governance

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- Public Management and Finance Law and Regulations
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- Labour Law and Regulations
- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Law and Regulations

- Health Insurance Law and Regulations
- National Pensions Law and Regulations
- Immigration Law
- Other Local Laws and Regulations

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#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the Trust's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

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#### **OUR SERVICES**

## **Government Guaranteed Home Assisted Mortgage (GGHAM)**

The GGHAM scheme is a great way to home ownership for people with the financial means to qualify for a mortgage from a private bank, but who lack the required capital injection (deposit) to achieve home ownership.

Under this scheme, applicants can qualify for up to 100% of the loan amount, including closing costs, provided the total amount does not exceed the current market value of the home being purchased.

Complete the Mortgage Application Form and refer to the Application Document Checklist to apply for this service.

## **Build on Your Own Property (BOYP)**

If you own your own land, the BOYP scheme offers interim construction financing to persons who want to build a home on their land. Under the BOYP scheme, the land owner can choose from the NHDT's three floor plan styles or to build according to their own floor plan design.

Once the house is constructed and the Certificate of Occupancy is issued, the owner will then obtain financing from a commercial bank and have the construction loan with the trust refinanced by way of a traditional mortgage.

Complete the Mortgage Application Form and refer to the Application Document Checklist to apply for this service.

## Affordable Housing Initiative (AHI)

The AHI provides Mortgage accommodation at an affordable cost to low income Caymanian.

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## **Children & Youth Services (CAYS) Foundation**

## **Publication Scheme**

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### Phone

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## <u>Post</u>

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You must submit your request in writing (letter, email or facsimile). Please be as specific as possible about the information you would like, as this will help a prompt response. Where possible, please include a contact telephone number so that you can be contacted if it is necessary to further discuss your request.

CAYS will respond to your request promptly and within 30 calendar days. The Law allows CAYS to extend this deadline for an additional 30 calendar days. CAYS will always acknowledge receipt of FOI requests made to the above address and will let you know if the deadline needs to be extended. For more information on procedures and timelines that apply to an information request, visit the FOI website (www.foi.gov.ky)

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#### **ABOUT US**

## Name of Authority

Children & Youth Services (CAYS) Foundation

## **Ministry**

Ministry of Community Affairs, Gender & Housing

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## Chief Officer: Ms. Dorine Whittaker

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## Organisation and functions

Children and Youth Services (CAYS) Foundation, was established as a Government owned company in December 2002, to manage and operate two (2) Residential Homes, namely (Bonaventure Boys' Home/ Frances Bodden Girls' Home).

The two facilities cater to children and youth between the ages of 11 years through 17 years, who are at risk and deem to be in need of care and protection. The children are placed by the Court on various Court Orders, and could remain at the facility for a maximum period of two year, depending on a number of circumstances.

The Residential Programme offers 24 hours residential care to residents who have had traumatic experiences, exhibit behavioural and emotional problems, low self-esteem, poor coping skills, feelings of rejection, poor social skills, etc. With the support of other experienced professionals, the facilities deliver a number of Programmes for example; Social and Life Skills, Behaviour Modification, Tutoring, Vocational Skills, Semi-Independent Living, and a Pre-work Programme, to ensure that individual treatment needs are met for each resident.

### **Contact Information**

Location and hours	Matters handled
Children and Youth Services (CAYS) Foundation 342A Dorcy Drive, Industrial Park Dot Com Centre, Unit #4 Opening Hours: Monday to Friday - 8:30am-5:00pm	Head Office Administrative Duties for the Organization
Bonaventure Boys' Home 103 Bonaventure Road Northwest Point, West Bay 949-3569 Business Hours: Monday-Friday- 8:00am-5:00pm Call to make an appointment to visit the facility	Residential Home for Boys'

Frances Bodden Girls' Home 112 Lottery Road Lower Valley Opening Hours: Monday-Friday- 8:00am-5:00pm Call to make an appointment to visit the facility	Residential Home for Girls'
the facility	

#### **Boards Members**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Ormond Williams-Chairman Nicholas Freeland-Deputy Chairman Sean Parchment-Treasurer of the Board Dr. Ajit Amber-Member Jane Wareham-Member Jenny Manderson-Member	Meeting are held every second month at the CAYS Head Office located at: 342A Dorcy Drive, Industrial Park. Dot Com Centre, Unit #4 Meetings are not open to the public	To obtain copies of the minutes or view the hard copy of the minutes contact the Information Manager at the Head Office. (946-2446) Viewing of the minutes is available between Monday-Friday, 10:00am - 4:0 pm at the CAYS Head Office.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

Below are some of the most frequently asked questions and the usual answers we respond with. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

How do I get my child into the Bonaventure Boys' Home or the Frances Bodden Girls' Home?

Children are Court Ordered to the Homes. An individual must first make contact with the Department of Children and Family Services, (DCFS) before a child can be admitted to one of the Homes.

Have you got what it takes to be a mentor?

Being a mentor is a position of great responsibility. Your role is to be a person to look up to, a person that motivates young people and a person that is able to encourage those young people that may not have any one else that is fighting in their corner.

## Annual Report

To view the CAYS Annual Report, visit the CAYS website at: www.cays.org.ky. Copies can also be obtained from the CAYS Head Office between the hours of 8:30am-4:00pm, Monday-Friday.

## **Budget**

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## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The CAYS Foundation administering the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising policy and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

#### Governance

This section applies to the governance and management of the Foundation.

- Organization Chart
- Articles of Association of Children and Youth Services

## **Corporate Management**

- Employees Hand Book
- Internal Complaints Process
- Annual Reports
- Audit Reports on overall operations
- Performance Evaluations

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

The CAYS Foundation administering the authority's internal functions and manage its resources efficiently and effectively. This includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

## Financial management

- Annual Budget
- Financial Statements; Half-Yearly / Quarterly Reports
- Sources of revenue
- CAYS Financial Procedure Manual

## **Administration and Human Resource Management**

- Press releases
- Job vacancies

- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Code of Ethics
- Application Forms

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

This category applies to written protocols for carrying out functions and delivery of services.

- Complaints procedure
- Residents Complaint procedure
- Operating policies and procedures
- Child Abuse Reporting Policy
- Food Service Policy
- Admission Policy
- Supervision Policy
- Safety and Security Policy

## **ORGANISATION AND FUNCTIONS**

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES & FUNCTIONS OF CAYS FOUNDATION**

## Bonaventure Boys' Home

Provides residential care and supervision to at risk boys ages 11 year to 17 years who are deem to be in need of care and protection and placed to the Home on a Court Order.

## Frances Bodden Girls' Home

Provide residential care and supervision to at risk girls ages 11year to 17 years who are deem to be in need of care and protection and placed to the Home on a Court Order.

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Policy proposals; Recommendations; Minutes of meetings; Public consultations

#### **OUR SERVICES**

CAYS is designed as an intentional Care and Protection Programme. The programme provides a structured residential environment for youth and offers opportunities for personal growth, social development and responsible behaviour. The programme activities include: an in-school support to students education programme, vocational education, individual group and family counselling, behavioural management, community services, drug education and counselling, employment experiences, and structured recreational and leisure activities.

## **Operating Capacity:**

Bonaventure Boys' Home--16 Males (+2 emergency beds)

- Francis Bodden Girls' Home—14 Females (+2 emergency beds)
- Ages 11years -17 years.
- Residents Admission Hand Book
- Programmes
- Ceremonies; Events
- CAYS Pamphlet
- Forms
- Flyer
- Hurricane Preparedness Manual

## **Document Library**

This section contains documents published by the CAYS Foundation:

- Annual Reports
- Regulations
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In addition to a summary of the original request, the Log indicates whether or not the information was released and what exemptions, if any, were applied.

Where the actual reply has been reproduced, the applicant's name and other personal details were deleted.

Request No#	Request Details	Outcome
FOI-30307	Location that is being rented The square footage of the space being rented  The monthly rental and the expiration for the lease agreement	Access Granted
FOI/26457	The salary scale of managers employed with the CAYS Foundation.	Access Granted
FOI/21165	Compressive itemized list of the Public entities/authority's expense for the budget year ending June 2008 and 2009.  The total number of consultants on contract with the Public entity\authority.	Access Granted

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Case files	
Personal / Human	Access to information restricted to the relevant personnel.
Resource records	
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	Access is restricted for personal information concerning clients
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## Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture

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## **ABOUT US**

Name of public authority Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth,

Sports and Culture

Minister Honourable Mark Scotland

Minister of Health, Environment, Youth,

Sports and Culture

<u>Principal Officer</u> Ms. Jennifer Ahearn

Permanent Secretary/Chief Officer

## **Key Staff**

Deputy Chief Officer Mr. Stran Bodden

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Culture

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## **Organisation and functions**

The Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports & Culture is committed to empowering people in the Cayman Islands to achieve optimal well-being through strategic policies, innovative programmes and proactive services, governed by the highest principles of justice, personal and public integrity, and excellence of standards. The Ministry is divided into two sections. They are the Administrative section and the Finance Section. The Ministry's Finance Section is located on the second floor of the Anderson square Building in George Town. The Finance section deals with budget and monetary matters. They produce the annual budgets and make payments on behalf of the Ministry. They pay all invoices and for outputs from the Statutory Authorities, Government Companies and Non government organisations. They also perform the monthly billing to Cabinet for the departments' outputs to obtain funding for their activities.

The Ministry's Administrative section is responsible for policy decisions and for providing administrative services to the Minister. It is also responsible for oversight of the statutory authorities, Government Companies and Non government Organisations that are under the Ministry. It also provides drafting instructions for the revision or creation of laws and Regulations.

The Ministry is located in the Government Administrative Building. The hours of operation of both the Administrative and Finance sections are Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 5.00pm.

## Ministry's Physical address is:

Ministry Of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000 Tel (345) 949-7900 ext. 2318 Fax (345) 949-1790

The Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture has under its umbrella a number of Departments, Statutory Authorities and Government Companies. Each one is a Public Authority by itself and each will maintain their own Publication Scheme.

The Boards and Committees listed below are all managed by another Public Authority and their records are accessed through their Information Manager as indicated. All requests for information should be directed to the Information Manager of the relevant Public authority.

The Departments, Statutory Authorities, Government Companies, Councils and Commissions that are under the Ministry are given below.

Location and hours	Matters handled
Cayman Islands Cadet Corps	(a) to provide a formal, well-regulated and highly disciplined organisation operating within all
Physical Location:	sectors of the school and youth communities
195 old Crewe Rd.	in the islands;
First Assembly of God Bld.	(b) to attract as cadets, significant numbers of
George Town	young people between the ages of eleven and nineteen;
Mailing Address:	<ul><li>(c) to instil in cadets, spiritual, moral, national and humane values of honesty, justice, discipline and social responsibility;</li></ul>
	(d) to maximise in cadets, self-respect, self-
<b>Telephone No:</b> (345) 946-9810	confidence, self-reliance, self-discipline and loyalty;
	(e) to encourage in cadets, powers of leadership
	and the ability to work as team members;
	<ul> <li>(f) to provide for cadets progressive training of a challenging and exciting nature in order to</li> </ul>
	foster alertness, physical and mental
	endurance, and camaraderie;
	(g) to provide for cadets, military-style discipline,
	skills, achievements and values; and
	(h) to establish the highest possible standards in
	all areas of operation of the Cadet Corps

# Cayman Islands Health Services Authority

## Physical Location:

#95 Hospital Road George Town

## Mailing Address:

Cayman Islands Health Services PO Box 915, Grand Cayman KY1-1103 Cayman Islands

## Telephone No:

(345) 949-8600

## **Inpatient Services**

- Ambulatory Care / Oncology
- Critical Care Unit
- Maternity
- Medical Unit
- Mental Health
- Neonatal Intensive Care
- Nutrition Services
- Operating Theatre
- Paediatrics
- Surgical Unit

## **Outpatient Services**

- Ambulance Services
- Accidental & Emergency
- Community / Public Health Services
- Dialysis
- Dental Services
- Eve Clinic
- General Practice
- Laboratory Services
- Nutrition Services
- Physiotherapy
- Pharmacy
- Radiology
- Recompression Chamber
- Specialist Clinic
- Women's Health

#### **Overseas Treatment**

# **Cayman Islands National Insurance Company**

## **Physical Location:**

Units 4 & 5 Cayman Centre Dorcy Drive, Airport Rd. Grand Cayman

## Mailing Address:

Cayman Islands National Insurance Company P.O.Box 10112 Grand Cayman Ky1-1001 Cayman Islands

## **Telephone No:**

(345) 949-8101

CINICO's mission is to provide affordable health care coverage on the most cost effective basis possible, to ensure the wellness of residents of the Cayman Islands.

## **Cayman Islands National Museum**

## **Physical Location:**

Harbour Drive George Town

## Mailing Address:

Cayman Islands National Museum P.O. Box 2189
Grand Cayman KY1-1105
Cayman Islands

## Telephone No:

(345) 949-8368

The Cayman Islands National Museum is dedicated to the preservation, research and dissemination of all aspects of the Caymanian heritage for present and future generations.

- Natural History
- Cultural History

## Cayman National Cultural Foundation

#### **Physical Location:**

F.J. Harquail Cultural Centre 17Harquail Drive George Town

## Mailing Address:

Cayman National Cultural Foundation P.O. Box 30201 Grand Cayman KY1-1201 Cayman Islands

#### Telephone No:

(345) 949-5477

CNCF's mission is to stimulate, facilitate and preserve cultural and artistic expression generally, particularly the preservation and exploration of Caymanian performing, visual and literary arts.

Arts and Culture

## **Department of Environment**

## **Physical Location:**

Cayman Islands Environmental Centre 580 North Sound Road George Town

#### Mailing Address:

Department of Environment P.O. Box 486 Grand Cayman KY1-1106 Cayman Islands

## Telephone No:

(345) 949-8469

The Department of Environment's (DoE) role is to facilitate responsible management and sustainable use of the natural environment and resources of the Cayman Islands through various environmental protection and conservation programmes and strategies.

- Protecting and conserving the natural environment
- Researching, monitoring and assessing coral reefs, seagrasses, mangroves, beaches, marine water quality, marine turtles and locally important fishery resources
- Managing marine parks and maintaining park signs, buoys and over 350 public moorings
- Enforcing the Marine Conservation Law with routine patrols of all three islands as well as

- other conservation legislation
- Responding to oil spills and marine pollution
- Administering and implementing international conservation agreements such as CITES and RAMSAR; functioning as CITES Scientific Authority
- Responding to CITES permit applications and enquiries (required for import or export of endangered species and their products, including conch and corals)
- Issuing speargun, seine net, fish pot and turtle fishing licenses on behalf of the Marine Conservation Board
- Conduction environmental impact reviews of coastal works and planning applications for the Cabinet and Central Planning Authority
- Providing aquaculture advice and extension services; investigating enhancement potential for locally important species

## Department of Health Regulatory Services

## **Physical Location:**

2nd Floor, Countryside Shopping Village 33 Hirst Road, Savannah Grand Cayman

#### Mailing Address:

Department of Health Regulatory Services P.O. Box 10128 Grand Cayman KY1-1002 Cayman Islands

**Telephone No: 946-2084** 

The mission of the Health Regulatory Services
Department is to effectively monitor and regulate the
health insurance and health care industry in the
Cayman Islands. The Department also provides
assistance to the public in resolving disputes
regarding the provision of health insurance and
health care services.

- Regulations of health insurers
- Regulations and licensing of healthcare facilities
- Supervision of councils regulating healthcare professionals

## **Department of Sports**

### **Physical Location:**

Truman Bodden Sports Complex Academy Way George Town

## **Mailing Address:**

Department of Sports C/o Government Administration Bldg. Grand Cayman KY1-9000 The department seeks to promote sports for all in the Cayman Islands.

The goals of the Organization are:

To use sports as a vehicle to encourage and promote good health, social integration and a well rounded disciplined society. In this regard special opportunities are to be made available to children, young people, senior citizens and the differently abled.

## Cayman Islands To promote sporting excellence a means of promoting National Pride, Patriotism, and enhance good will among nations. **Telephone No:** 949-7082 To encourage and provide for the fullest participation of women and girls in all areas of sports, consistent with the 1994 Brighton Declaration on Women in Sport. To maintain facilities at recreational and international standards to cater to the residents and promote the Cayman Islands as a premier sport destination. To promote and facilitate sport as an industry that will contribute to the national economy. **National Drug Council** The National Drug Council is an independent statutory body that promotes the co-ordination of **Physical Location:** anti-drug misuse measures in the Cayman Islands. Units 17 & 18 Caymanian Village Advice on the development of drug abuse North Sound Way prevention George Town Rehabilitation policies and programmes Public education on the dangers of drug Mailing Address: abuse National Drug Council P.O. Box 10007 Grand Cayman KY1-1001 Cayman Islands **Telephone No:** 949-9000 **National Gallery** The National Gallery of the Cayman Islands serves to promote and encourage the appreciation and practice of the visual arts, of and in the Cayman Physical Location: 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Harbour Place Islands. To this end, the National Gallery travels Caymanian art and artists abroad as well as having 103 South Church Street many fine international artists visit, exhibit and work George Town in the Cayman Islands. Mailing Address: National Gallery The Visual Arts P.O. Box 10197 Grand Cayman KY1-1002 Cayman Islands

## **Boards and committees**

**Telephone No:** 945-8111

Cayman Islands National Insurance Company Board	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Dr. Scott Cummings Mr. Seamus Tirvan Mr. Godfrey McLean Dr. Ruthlyn Pomares Mr. Armando Ebanks Mr. Carl Brown Mrs. Darlee Ebanks Ms. Jennifer Ahearn	Meetings: Monthly  Not open to the public  Website: www.cinico.ky  Contact: Mark Frye (IM)  Telephone: (345) 949-8101	No link available Contact IM
Cayman Islands National Museum Board of Control and Trustees	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Mr. Harris McCoy Ms. Anita Ebanks Mr. Taron Jackman Mrs. Eziethamae Bodden Ms. Patsy Ann Jackson Mr. Omar McLean Mr. Simon Palmer Mrs. Berna Thompson-Cummins Mr. William Forsythe Capt. Paul Hurlston Mr. Linton Tibbetts Mrs. Angela Martins Mr. Joel Francis	Meetings: Quarterly  Not open to the public  Website: www.museum.ky  Contact: Beckie Seymour- Carrazana (IM)  Telephone: (345) 949-8368	No link available Contact IM
Cayman National Cultural Foundation	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Mr. Martyn Bould Ms. Mary Rodrigues Mr. Nick Holland Mr. Morgan DaCosta Ms. Helen Harquail Mrs. Deanna Lookloy Ms. Lorna Reid	Meetings: Six times per year  Not open to the public  Website: www.artscayman.o	No link available Contact IM

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Ms. Liz Scholefield Henry Muttoo –Ex-Officio Marcia Muttoo –EX Officio	rg  Contact: Rita Estevanovich (IM)  Telephone: (345) 949-5477	
Council for Professions Allied with Medicine	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Dr. Eugene Foley Dr. Clement Von Kirchenheim Mr. Stephen Duval Ms. Helen Cronier Ms. Dorothy Scott	Meetings: Monthly  Not open to the public  Website: www.dhrs.ky  Contact: Davina Bennett- Wilson (IM) Angella Glidden (D)  Telephone: (345) 949-2813	No link available Contact IM
Health Appeals Tribunal	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Outstanding	Meetings:  Not open to the public  Website: www.dhrs.ky  Contact: Davina Bennett- Wilson (IM) Angella Glidden (D)  Telephone: (345) 946-2084	No link available Contact IM

Health Insurance Commission Board	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Mrs. Theresa Pitcairn Mrs. Jennifer Ahearn Dr. Gerald Smith Mr. Mervyn Conolly Mrs. Carole Appleyard Dr. Louis Cona Ms. Letitia Solomon Richard Harris Mr. Jennison Nunez	Meetings: Monthly  Not open to the public  Website: www.dhrs.ky  Contact: Davina Bennett- Wilson (IM) Angella Glidden (D)  Telephone: (345) 946-2084	No link available Contact IM
Health Practice Commission	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Dr. Stephenson Tomlinson Dr. Tamer Tadros Ms. Vicki Ellis Mr. Emerson Piercy Ms. Rebecca Smith	Meetings: Monthly  Not open to the public  Website: www.dhrs.ky  Contact: Davina Bennett- Wilson (IM) Angella Glidden (D)  Telephone: (345) 949-2813	No link available Contact IM
Health Services Authority Board of Directors	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Mr. Canover Watson Mr. Peter Young Ms. Wanda Ebanks Mr. Tommy Ebanks Ms. Racquel Solomon Mr. Ryan Walrond	Meetings: Monthly  Not open to the public  Website:	No link available Contact IM

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Ms. Nina Ebanks	www.hsa.ky	
	Contact: Sharaine Chin (IM) Valrie Parris (D)	
	<b>Telephone:</b> (345) 949-8600	
Marine Conservation Board	Minutes	Meetings
Members: Mr. Don Foster Mr. Darvy Ebanks Capt. Charles (Chucky) Ebanks Mr. Kenny Ryan Mr. Bruce Eldemire Mr. Bernard Watson Capt. Andrew Pierson Capt. Bryan Ebanks Mr. Richard Flowers	Meetings: Monthly  Not open to the public  Website: www.doe.ky  Contact: Margaret Buchanan (IM) Tracy Galvin (D)  Telephone: (345) 949-8469	No link available Contact IM
Medical and Dental Council	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Dr. Joseph Marzouca Dr. Gerald Smith Dr. Kantamneni Vivek Dr. Sarah De Alvis Clyde Allen Dr. David Godfrey-co-opt member Dr. Howard Ironstone-co-opt member	Meetings: Monthly  Not open to the public  Website: www.dhrs.ky  Contact: Davina Bennett- Wilson (IM) Angella Glidden (D)  Telephone: (345) 949-2813	No link available Contact IM

National Drug Council	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Mrs. Dorothy Crumbley, Chairman Mr. Rayle Roberts, Vice-Chairman Ms. Margaret Ramsay-Hale Dr. Mark Lockhart Mr. Mark C. Campbell Mrs. Theresa Echenique-Bowen Ricardo Forbes Mark Tibbetts Chief Officer, Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture, Ex-Officio Chief Officer, Ministry of Community Affairs and Housing, Ex-Officio Chief Officer, Ministry of Education, Training and Employment, Ex-Officio Minister of Finance or his representative, Ex-Officio Commissioner of Police or his representative, Ex-Officio National Drug Council Coordinator, Ex-Officio	Meetings: Monthly  Not open to the public  Website: www.ndc.ky  Contact: Simon Miller (IM) Luisa McLaughlin (D)  Telephone: (345) 949-9000	No link available Contact IM
National Gallery of the Cayman Islands Management Board and Trustees	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Mr. Henry Hartford Mr. Desmond Kinch Mr. Arthur Dzaghgouni Ms. Monique Jackson Ms. Samantha Basdeo Mr. Martyn Bould Mr. Carl Brown Ms. Sara Collins Mrs. Ariane Dart Mr. John Doak Mrs. Lisa Flowers Mr. Hugh Hart Mr. John Hurlstone Mrs. Susan Olde Mr. Linton Tibbetts Mr. Andreas Ugland Mr. Joel Francis Mrs. Natalie Coleman Honorary Members	Meetings: Every 6 weeks  Not open to the public  Website: www.nationalgaller y.org.ky  Contact: Mona Tatum- Watler  Telephone: (345) 945-8111	No link available Contact IM

Mr. Naul Bodden Mr. Truman Bodden Mrs. Carol Owen Mr. Bendel Hyde		
National Sports Council	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Outstanding	Meetings:  Not open to the public  Website: www.departmentof sports.com  Contact: Collin Anglin (IM)  Telephone: (345) 949-7082	Contact IM
National Trust	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Carla Reid Tessa Bodden Gary Redfern Lois Bumenthal Simon Barwick Tommie Bodden Andrea Bothwell Patricia Bradley Clarence "King" Flowers Jennifer Hunter Peter Milburn Janet Walker Estelle Stilling Debbi Truchan Suzan Merren Alice Mae Coe Debra Naused	Meetings: Monthly  Not open to the public  Website: www.nationaltrust.org.ky  Contact: Frank Balderamos  Telephone: (345) 949-0121	No link available Contact IM

National Youth Commission	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Mrs. Jenny Manderson Mr. Richard Christian Mr. Darren Dixon Ms. Cindy Adam Ms. Sherina Christie Pastor Felix Manzanares Ms. Dorothy Scott Ms. Sharon Martin Rev. Donovan Myers Mrs. Claudia Brady Mr. Patrick Beersingh Mr. James Myles Ms. Katherine Whittaker Mr. Luigi Moxam Ms. Laurel Ryan Mr. Lennon Christian Mr. Daryl Rankine Mrs. Joan West-Dacres Mr. Joel Francis Ms. Janett Flynn Ms. Debbie Ann Whittaker	Meetings: Monthly  Not open to the public  Website:  Contact: Ms. Katherine Whittaker  Telephone: (345) 946-6151	No link available Contact IM
Nursing and Midwifery Council	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Mrs. Hyacinth Rose Ms. Andria Dilbert Ms. Abigail Parchment Ms. Donna Pryce Mr. Noel Webb	Meetings: Monthly  Not open to the public  Website:  Contact: Davina Bennett- Wilson (IM) Angella Glidden (D)  Telephone: (345) 949-2813	No link available Contact IM
Pharmacy Council	Meetings	Minutes
Members: Mr. David Pellow Mr. Donald McLean	Meetings: Monthly	No link available Contact IM

Ms. Samantha Conolly Mr. Colin Metford Mr. Hewiston Watler	Not open to the public  Website:	
	Contact: Davina Bennett- Wilson (IM) Angella Glidden (D)	
	<b>Telephone:</b> (345) 949-2813	

# Frequently asked questions

What Government Departments are under the Ministry of Health?

The government departments under the Ministry are:

- 1) Department of Health Regulatory Services
- 2) Department of the Environment
- 3) Department of Sports
- 4) The Youth Services Unit
- 5) The Cayman Islands Cadet Corp

# What Statutory Authorities and Government Companies are under the Ministry of Health?

The following statutory Authorities and Government Companies are under the Ministry:

- 1) The Health Services Authority
- 2) The Cayman Islands National Insurance Company (CINICO)
- 3) The National Drug Council
- 4) The National Museum
- 5) The National Gallery
- 6) The National Trust
- 7) The Cayman National Cultural foundation

# Who are the officers assigned to the various entities under the Ministry?

Policy officers are assigned to different subject areas. They are as follows:

- 1) Ms. Janett Flynn Policy Officer for Health
- 2) Ms. Sheila Watler Policy Officer for the Environment
- 3) Mr. Joel Francis Policy Officer for Youth, Sports and Culture

# What are the current and proposed Laws that the Ministry is working on?

Currently the Ministry is working on the Pharmacy Law, the Health Insurance Law, and the National Conservation Law. The ministry proposes to make revisions to the Health practice Law and to review and update the National Cultural Foundation Law.

#### How are Boards and Commissions appointed?

Boards and Commissions are appointed by Cabinet on the advice of the Minister of Health

### Does the Ministry have direct Financial Management of HSA?

HSA has its own Board of Management and Finance Department with direct responsibility for the financial management and operations of the Authority.

#### Where can I go to make queries about invoices or payments?

Queries about payments or invoices can be made at the Finance section located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Government Administration Building

#### If my employer refuses to offer me health insurance, whom can I contact?

You may contact the Health Insurance Commission located at the Department of Health Regulatory Services, 949-2813

# • What is the name of the governing body which regulates the practice of health practitioners in the islands?

The Health Practice Commission, which constitutes four councils namely, Medical and Dental Council, Nursing and Midwifery Council, Pharmacy Council, and Council for Professions Allied with Medicine. The registrar for the councils may be contacted at 946-2084

# If I am unable to secure health insurance with a private insurer, what are my alternatives?

You may contact Cayman Islands National Insurance Company (CINICO) at 949-8101 for further assistance

# Does the Ministry provide wellness programmes for diseases such as diabetes, high blood pressure etc?

The Public Health Department at the Health Services Authority may be contacted at 244-2648 for further information

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

#### Governance

The Minister, with the approval of Cabinet appoints Boards of Directors to administer the Statutory Authorities and Government Company under the Ministry at the Strategic Level. The Minister also appoints members of the Councils to administer the business of the Councils.

#### Laws & Regulations

- Public Service Management Law 2007 Revision
- Personnel Regulations 2006
- Freedom of Information law 2007
- FOI Regulations 2008
- Public Management & Finance Law (2005 Revision)
- Financial Regulations 2008

#### **Corporate management**

The Ministry uses several documents to its business activities

#### **Documents**

Ministry's Strategic Plans

Goals for 2009-10 and 2010-11 budget Years

**Organisation Chart** 

Staff Directory and Contact details

# Annual reports

2004-5; 2005-6; 2006-7; 2007-8; 2008-9

# Internal Audit reports on overall operations

Audit of Use of corporate credit card

Loans and Advances Audit

Review of Funding Requisition from Equity Investment Audit

Payroll Process Audit

# HR Audit Reports

Compliance Report for Chief Officers and HR Professionals – Oct 2007 HR Report on Children & Family services Department

#### Office of the Complaints Commissioner

Report on Own Motion on proper disposal of Electronic Data storage Devices

#### Performance evaluations

#### **Statistics**

No of replies to correspondence

Number of Cabinet papers

Number of Press releases

Number of replies to Parliamentary Questions

Report of outputs produced

Plans for business continuity, hazard management and disaster recovery

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

The Ministry of HEYSAC administers the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. It includes the management of monetary resources, which is administered by the Finance Unit which is headed by the Chief Financial Officer who manages the financial resources under the direction of the Chief Officer. It also includes the management of material resources under the direction of the Higher Executive Officer and the human resources under the direction of the Operations Human Resources Manager. It also manages information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

#### Financial management

- The Public management and Finance Law 2005 revision and the Finance Regulations 2008 revision
- Annual Budget statement
- Annual Plan and Estimates
- Purchase Agreements
- Ownership Agreements
- Cabinet Invoicing
- Financial statements; Half-yearly / quarterly reports
- Capital Acquisition Budget
- Accounting Policies & Procedures
- Payment Batches and Invoices

#### Administration

- Insurance policies (Held by Risk Management Unit)
- Press releases
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

- Internal complaints Procedure
- HR policies and Procedure
- National Archives Law
- Administrative Circulars
- Creation, Maintenance and disposal standards
- Financial management Administrative Disposal Schedule
- Government's e-mail Policy
- Chief Secretary's Code of Practice on Records Management
- Public servants Code of Conduct
- PoCs advisory Sick Leave Provisions
- Standard Terms of conditions of employment
- Employment agreements for Civil servants
- Declaration of secrecy for civil servants
- Remuneration Bands
- Leave and Vacation Policy

- Overtime Policy
- Attendance Policy

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decision-making processes.

The Minister meets with senior staff on a regular basis to hold Post Cabinet updates and to gather information from subject areas advisors on current issues. The Chief Officer meets with senior staff on a bi-weekly basis to get updates on current work assignments of staff. Heads of Departments meetings are done on a monthly basis so that the Ministry can get an update on what is happening with the departments. The CFO of the Ministry sits on the finance committee of both the Health services Authority and CINICO and provides feedback to the Ministry. The Minister appoints the Boards and Councils under the Ministry to make strategic decisions over their business.

The decision process involves the discussion of issues and consultation with interested parties and then formulating policy or making the decision. The Ministry is currently on the pprovision of original and revised drafting instructions for revision or creation of the following laws:

- Cayman National Cultural Foundation Law
- Health Practice Law
- Tobacco Law and Regulations
- National Conservation Law

#### Documents:

- Policy proposals; Recommendations; Minutes of meetings; Public consultations
- Tobacco law and regulations
- National conservation Law revision
- Health Practice law
- Cayman national Cultural Foundation law
- Evaluation procedures; Assessment criteria

#### LISTS & REGISTERS

Information held in registers required by law and other lists or registers relating to the functions of the authority.

This authority does not maintain any registers required by law. However the Health and Regulatory Services Department maintains four lists for the Councils whose members are appointed by the Minister. These Registers can be accessed through the Health and Regulatory services Department.

The Ministry however keeps a list and Registers of the following:

- Asset Register
- Attendance Register
- File Register

- List of Complaints
- List of payments
- List of Cabinet papers
- List of Leave taken
- List of FOI requests
- List of Public Authorities
- List of Press Releases
- List of Incoming and Outgoing mail
- List of Employees and Phone numbers
- Contact details for Heads of Entities within Ministry

#### **OUR SERVICES**

This category provides detailed information about the services offered and activities carried out by the authority, to fulfil its high-level functions and responsibilities.

#### **General Nature of Activities**

The Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture is responsible for a wide range of services critical to the well-being of the people of the Cayman Islands. The Ministry will ensure a healthy population through the development and implementation of strategic policies and legislation; it will ensure sustainable use of natural resources and the environment, as well as the development of the youth through innovative programmes.

The departments/units under the Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture include: Public Health, Environment, Youth, Sports, Cadet Corps and the Health Regulatory Services. These departments are generally under the direct purview of the Chief Officer of the Ministry.

The Ministry is also responsible for oversight of the Health Services Authority, CINICO, The National Drug Council, The National Museum, The national Gallery, The National Trust and the Cayman National Cultural Foundation.

The Ministry is responsible for providing funding for the activities of these agencies and get feedback reports of the outputs that they have produced. Policy decisions over these agencies are made by Boards who are appointed by the Minister and Cabinet in Council.

The types of information held by the Ministry are as follows:

- General Correspondence
- Press Releases
- Minutes of meetings
- Strategic Plan Health
- Budget Addresses
- Audit reports and Correspondence
- Cabinet papers
- Circulars
- Legislative Drafting
- Parliamentary Questions
- Personnel files

- Disaster Preparedness
- Legal Matters
- FOI Requests and ResponsesContracts
- Leave records

Please note that Cabinet papers, minutes of meetings and records on legal matters are exempt from disclosure under the FOI Law, and therefore will generally not be made public.



# **Department of Health Regulatory Services**

# **Publication Scheme**

Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Department of Health Regulatory Services to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Department of Health Regulatory Services will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

#### 2. Information that may be withheld

The Department of Health Regulatory Services will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Department of Health Regulatory Services, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Department of Health Regulatory Service's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

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Information Manager
Department of Health Regulatory Services
P.O. Box 10128
Grand Cayman KY1-1002
Cayman Islands

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### Fee for a copy of any part of register, for every sheet copied:

- a) if certified \$10
- b) if uncertified \$7

# **Computer Discs:**

\$2.00 per disc

#### Search & Inspection of Records:

Health Practitioner Register - \$5.00 for each record inspected.

An official search of documents held by the Health Practice Commission will be at a cost of \$50 per hour or part thereof.

These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service.

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Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from the Information Manager or Information Manager Designate. You may contact them on 946-2084 or email them at foi.hrb@gov.ky.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

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#### **ABOUT US**

The Department of Health Regulatory Services (DHRS) was formed on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2008 as a result of the merge between the Health Insurance Commission (HIC) and the Health Practice Commission (HPC). The Department of Health Regulatory Services monitors and regulates the health insurance and health care industries in the Cayman Islands. The Department also provides assistance to the public in resolving disputes regarding the provision of health insurance and health care services.

The principal officers of the DHRS are Mr. Mervyn Conolly, Director of the Department of Health Regulatory Services and Superintendent of Health Insurance. Dr. Angella Glidden is the Deputy

Director, Registrar and Information Manager Designate. The contact details for these two principal officers are listed below.

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Services/Health Insurance Commission
Health Practice & Facilities Regulatory
Services/ Health Practice Commission

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Freedom of Information website www.foi.gov.ky

Opening Hours: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

#### About the Ministry Health, Environment, Youth, Sports & Culture

The Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture is committed to empowering people in the Cayman Islands to achieve optimal well-being through strategic policies, innovative programs, and proactive services governed by the highest principles of justice, personal and public integrity and excellence of standards.

The Chief Officer for the Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture is Mrs. Jennifer Ahearn. The contact details for the Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture is as follows:

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building Grand Cayman KY1-9000, CAYMAN ISLANDS 244-2318 (P) 949-1790 (F)

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# **Organisation and functions**

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The following Councils and Commissions are associated with the DHRS:

- Health Insurance Commission Board
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- Medical & Dental Council
- Nursing & Midwifery Council

- Pharmacy Council
- Council for Professions Allied with Medicine

The above councils and boards usually meet once per month at the Department of Health Regulatory Services Conference Room located at 33 Hirst Road, Countryside Shopping Village, Savannah. However, these meetings are not generally open to the public.

# **Functions of the Department of Health Regulatory Services**

#### Function – Investigate and Resolve Complaints/Inquiries

#### Description of Function:

Complaints/inquiries are investigated and resolved based on the Health Insurance Commission's policy and procedures.

# <u>Function – Public Education Campaign</u>

#### Description of Function

A sustained public education campaign on health insurance and functions of the Health Insurance Commission in the Cayman Islands.

# <u>Function – Enforcement Issues Pertaining to the Health Insurance and Health Practice</u> <u>Law and Regulations</u>

# **Description of Function:**

- Investigation of all report on non-compliance with the Health Insurance and Health Practice Law and Regulations;
- Preparation of cases for legal action;
- Onsite inspections of approved insurers:
- Onsite inspections of health care facilities:
- Onsite inspections of employers.

# <u>Function – Collection of Segregated Insurance Fund</u>

# <u>Description of Function:</u>

- Collection of Segregated Insurance Fund Payments;
- Deposit of Segregated Insurance Fund Payments;
- Review reports on the number of insured persons;
- Monitor the number of indigent persons;
- Preparation of Segregated Insurance Fund financial statements for audit.

### **Function – Administrative Services**

# **Description of Function:**

- Contribution to Cabinet Papers, speeches, statements, responses to Parliamentary Questions, replies to correspondence and board minutes;
- Advise the Minister generally on any pertinent matter(s) relating to health insurance and health practice;
- Administrative services to the Board;
- Review and research Legislation;
- Development of budget reports (quarterly & annually) and invoices to the Ministry.

# Function - Registration of Practitioners and Facilities

#### Description of Function:

- Registration of health care practitioners;
- Regulation of the professional conduct and discipline of registered practitioners;
- Regulation of the training requirements for both applicants and the purpose of practitioners retaining their registration;
- Promoting high standards of professional conduct and performance;
- Advising the Ministry on policy relating to health practice in the Islands including determining the type of health professions which should be permitted in the Islands.

# <u>Function – Facility Inspections</u>

#### Description of Function:

- Inspection of healthcare facilities;
- Certification of healthcare facilities;
- Advising the Director of Planning on applications for the development of healthcare facilities.

#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Can a corporation be registered as a facility?

In section 4 (10) of the Health Practice Registration Regulations state that "Where an applicant is a non-Caymanian health practitioner (full-time resident or visiting) he shall provide written evidence at the date of application that he is or will be affiliated with a registered Caymanian health practitioner in the Islands or with one of the registered health care facilities in the islands." Therefore, providing that the corporation has Caymanian ownership, consistent with the Health Practice Law (2005 Revision) and Trade and Business laws, then the application for registration will be accepted. Please click here for the Guidelines and Application for Facility Registration.

# How many Continuing Education Credit hours do I require for the retention of my registration?

Each Council is tasked with the duty to assign a minimum number of Continuing Education hours. Please check your Council for their requirements. Click your Council below to access the Continuing Education information for:

- 1. The Council for Professions Allied with Medicine Continuing Education Information www.dhrs.ky/councils.php
- 2. The Medical and Dental Council Continuing Education Information www.dhrs.ky/councils.php
- 3. The Nursing and Midwifery Council Continuing Education Information www.dhrs.ky/councils.php
- 4. The Pharmacy Council Continuing Education Information www.dhrs.ky/councils.php

#### I want to practice in the Cayman Islands. What do I need to know right away?

You must be registered/licensed in one of the approved jurisdictions (i.e. Australia, Canada, Jamaica, New Zealand, South Africa, the United Kingdom, or the United States of America). In addition, you must provide a letter of good standing from the registering/licensing authority in the place where you are currently working. Please note that the letter of good standing can take up to 6 weeks to reach this office.

### How do I request a letter of good standing?

Please send your request to HPBUSERS@gov.ky. Include the Council you are registered with and the address that the certificate should be sent to. Most registering/licensing authorities request that the letter of good standing is sent directly to them from our office. Your request will take up to 5 business days to process. A fee of CI\$ 25.00 (or US\$ 31.00) is payable to the Cayman Islands Government by cheque or bank draft. Overseas and personal cheques are not accepted.

#### How do I find work in the Cayman Islands?

The Health Practice Commission provides registration for the health care practitioners in the Cayman Islands. We cannot assist you with finding employment.

# I am a recent graduate of St Matthews University. What is required to obtain a letter of eligibility?

The Medical and Dental Council will require a copy of your current license/registration from one of the approved jurisdictions (i.e. Australia, Canada, Jamaica, New Zealand, South Africa, the United Kingdom, or the United States [US] of America). A request letter that states you are a St Matthews graduate.

#### • What if I need the letter of eligibility in order to obtain my license?

Some States in the US require this letter of eligibility in order to process your application for a license. In this event you are advised to register with another state that does not require a letter of eligibility from the jurisdiction that your medical school is located in.

#### • Where do I send the Z-Form?

The Texas State Board requires a Z-Form for their application process. The form should be filled in by the graduate and signed by the Permanent Secretary (or their

delegate) at the Ministry of Education in the Cayman Islands www.brighterfutures.gov.ky.

# I have decided not to work in the Cayman Islands. Can I receive a refund on my registration fee?

- a. The registration fee is refundable prior to the Councils review or if the Council denies registration.
- b. The registration fee is refundable if a mistake was made by the Health Practice Commission.
- c. The registration fee is not refundable once the file reaches the Council and is subsequently approved for registration.

The request for a refund of the registration fee must be made within 90 days of the date of the payment. Please note that the registration fee is unrelated to the duration of employment and is only prorated between the dates 10 October to 31 December when the upcoming renewal registration fee is due.

#### What is the Standard Health Insurance Contract 1?

The Standard Health Insurance Contract One (SHIC 1) is the minimum contract of prescribed health care benefits established in the Health Insurance Regulations (2005 Revision) and sold by approved health insurance companies.

#### • Who is responsible for providing health insurance coverage?

Employers are responsible for providing health insurance for all of their employees, the employee's unemployed spouse and any of the employee's dependent children who reside in the Cayman Islands. The health insurance coverage must be obtained through an approved health insurance company. A self-employed person must provide their own cover with an approved health insurance company and their unemployed spouse and dependent children should also be covered.

#### • Who pays the premiums?

The Health Insurance Law states that an employer shall be liable to pay the total cost of the premium of the Standard Health Insurance Contract One (S HIC1) but shall be entitled to recover directly from the salary, wage or other remuneration of each employee, 50% of the cost of the premium. The employer is not required to contribute to the premiums for the employee's dependent children or unemployed spouse and can deduct those amounts as arranged with the employee.

#### • What can I do if I cannot afford health insurance?

If a person, because of limited or inadequate financial resources is unable to pay for their health care services or pay for health insurance cover, an assessment of their financial circumstances can be carried out by the Department of Children and Family Services to determine their eligibility for assistance.

# • What happens if an employee refuses the insurance coverage offered by an employer?

The Health Insurance Law requires that every person resident in the Cayman Islands have, at a minimum the Standard Health Insurance Contract One (SHIC 1). If an employee refuses health insurance provided by the employer, the employer should document the reasons why the employee refused the health insurance coverage and seek to verify if the employee has health insurance cover through another source. If the employer determines that the employee does not have other health insurance cover, the matter should be reported to the Health Insurance Commission.

Note: Under Section 10 (1) of the Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) entitled "Employee to provide information to employer, every employee shall keep his employer informed of all facts related to the employer's liability under section 5(2) of the law and any change of circumstances which would affect the employer's liability under that section. An Employee who contravenes this section of the Law is liable to their employer for any expenses incurred by the employer for which he would otherwise not have been liable.

# • If I hire a new employee, when do I have to take out health insurance coverage on that employee?

Health Insurance coverage should be taken out immediately. An employer, within fifteen days after the commencement of an employee's employment with that employer, shall give a written statement to the employee consisting of-

- (a) the name and address of the approved insurer with whom the employee's standard health insurance contract has been effected;
- (b) the effective date of cover under the contract; and
- (c) the insurance number of the health insurance contract.

The Health Insurance Commission recommends that the employer have the employee fill out the Health Insurance Enrollment Application (HIEA) form at the time of effecting the employment contract and submit the HIEA to the approved health insurance company on the first day that the employee commences employment.

# • Under the law, do I still have to pay for medical services in full and then submit my claims to my approved insurer?

The law makes it the responsibility of the health practitioner or the health care facility to submit claims to the approved health insurance company for payment. Patients are required to present their health insurance identification card at the time of seeking treatment and the patient will be responsible for paying any deductibles, coinsurance amounts and any charges exceeding the standard fees at the time of treatment.

# • My health insurance policy includes a deductible and coinsurance. What does this mean?

A deductible is the initial dollar amount you must pay out-of-pocket each calendar year before an insurance company pays its share. This is usually a flat dollar amount.

Coinsurance is the share or percentage of covered expenses you must pay after you have paid the deductible. For example, your policy may pay 80% of expenses after you have paid the deductible. You would then pay the remaining 20% as coinsurance until a maximum out-of-pocket expense is reached.

# I am employed at two different places, who is responsible for my health insurance coverage?

If a person is employed by more than one employer, then insurance must be effected on his behalf by his principal employer. Where a person is employed by two or more employers, the principal employer of that person shall be deemed to the employer who employs that person for the most hours each week. Where each employer employs him for a similar amount of hours a week, the principal employer shall be that employer which first retained the services of the employee.

# • What happens if a person is refused coverage?

If a person is refused health insurance coverage by two or more approved insurers, that person becomes an uninsurable person under the law. That person may then make an application for coverage with the Cayman Islands National Insurance Company (CINICO), an independent government-owned health insurance company, established to provide health insurance for those persons unable to obtain coverage either for health reasons or financial reasons. This person is still encouraged to seek coverage wherever possible to re-apply with their employer's group plan, if eligible, at a later date (for example: if a person is denied coverage due to being overweight and the extra weight is lost and kept off, the employee may usually reapply after a prescribed period of time).

# • What happens to my health insurance coverage upon termination of employment?

Your health insurance coverage terminates on the first day of the month following the date of termination of employment. If you remain resident in the Cayman Islands and if you do not become insured under any other employer, upon your request to your former employer, your coverage can continue for a period of three (3) months. In these circumstances, the employee will be responsible for the full amount of the premium. It is recommended that arrangements be made with your employer for payment of the premiums at the time of the termination of employment.

#### How much time do Healthcare facilities and doctors have to file a claim?

The law stipulates that health care providers and health care facilities must submit claims to the approved insurer within 180 days of the date of treatment. If the claim is not submitted within this 180 day time frame, the health care provider may be denied payment by the approved insurer and the provider cannot seek payment from the patient. The same time frame applies to individuals filing a claim on their own behalf.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

### **DHRS Laws & Regulations**

The Department of Health Regulatory Services is governed by:

- Health Insurance Law, (2005 Revision).
- Health Insurance Regulations, (2005 Revision)
- Health Insurance Commission Law, 2003
- Health Practice Law (2005 Revision)
- Health Practice Regulations (2005 Revision)
- Pharmacy Law, 1979

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

This involves administering the Department of Health Regulatory Services' internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively as well as the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

#### Financial management

Documents relating to the administration of the Department of Health Regulatory Services' monetary resources – including projected and actual income and expenditure; tendering; procurement; and contracts.

Public Finance & Management Law, 2005

Copies of the above document can be obtained from the Legislative Assembly.

#### Administration

Documents relating to other administrative functions carried out within our authority – including buildings, equipment & vehicles; communications; human resources; information & technology management.

- Public Service Management Law, 2007\*
- Freedom of Information Law, 2007\*
- National Archive & Public Records Law. 2007\*
- Health Insurance Commission Law, 2003
- Health Insurance Law, (2005 Revision)
- Health Insurance Regulations, (2005 Revision)
- Health Practice Law, (2005 Revision)
- Health Practice Regulations, (2005 Revision)

Copies of these laws may be obtained from the Legislative Assembly. All other laws listed above may be obtained from the DHRS website www.dhrs.ky.

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

- Audit & Inspection Policy
- Complaint Resolution Policy
- Filing Policy
- Mail and Other Correspondence Policy
- Internal Complaint Policy
- Incoming FOI Request Policy

The Department of Health Regulatory Services' policies and procedures can be obtained upon your request to the Information Manager.

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decision-making processes.

Minutes of meetings

Copies of minutes may be obtained from the Information Manager when you make a FOI request. Please note that minutes of meetings may contain exempt matter that cannot be released. However applicants may still make their request and the Information Manager will make a formal decision as to whether the information can be released.

#### LISTS & REGISTERS

Information held in registers required by law and other lists or registers relating to the functions of the authority.

- List of registered practitioners\*
- The FOI Disclosure Log (can be found at http://www.dhrs.ky/foi.php)

\*The official list of registered practitioners in the Cayman Islands can be obtained for a fee from the Department of Health Regulatory Services.

**FORMS** – All forms can be obtained from our website at www.dhrs.ky , or by visiting our office at 33 Hirst Road, Countryside Shopping Village, Savannah.

# MEDICAL and DENTAL COUNCIL (MDC)

# **New Applicants**

- 1. MDC Registration Application Form
- 2. MDC Registration Guidelines

#### Renewal / Retention Registration

- 1. MDC Registration Renewal Form
- 2. MDC Administration Form
- 3. MDC Continuing Education Form

#### **Practice Guidelines**

1. MDC - Code of Ethics

# **NURSING and MIDWIFERY COUNCIL (NMC)**

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- 1. NMC Registration Application Form
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- 1. NMC Registration Renewal Form
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#### **Practice Guidelines**

1. Coming soon.

#### PHARMACY COUNCIL (PC)

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- 1. PC Registration Application Form
- 2. PC Registration Guidelines

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- 2. PC Administration Form
- 3. PC Continuing Education Form

#### **Practice Guidelines**

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# **COUNCIL for PROFESSIONS ALLIED with MEDICINE (CPAM)**

#### New Applicants

- 1. CPAM Registration Application Form
- 2. CPAM Registration Guidelines

- Renewal / Retention Registration
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- 3. CPAM - Continuing Education Form

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# **HEALTH INSURANCE COMMISSION FORMS**

Complaint Intake Form



# **Publication Scheme**

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

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This publication scheme commits the Youth Services Unit to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

#### The Youth Services Unit will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below:
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Youth Services Unit will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
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- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- Information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Youth Services Unit's (or another organization's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection and development of young people.

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If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

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Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from James Myles at 943-1127 or email at james.myles@gov.ky or foi.ysu@gov.ky

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

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PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: 1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

#### 7. Categories of information

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### **ABOUT US**

The Youth Services Unit (YSU) is a collaborative body that evaluates and develops youth service provision in accordance to the National Youth Policy.

#### **MINISTRY**

YSU operates under the Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture (HEYS&C)

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The Ministry of HEYS&C administering the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

The Ministry of HEYS&C administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. This includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies using the laws that regulate the function of government entities.

# FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

- Financial Regulations 2004 The Public Management and Finance Law (2003 Revision)
   The Financial Regulations, 2004
- July 2008 Annual Salary Scale for Salaried Staff and Hourly Rates for bi-weekly employees.
- 2008 Pay Schedule Monthly and weekly pay dates for 2008
- 2007 Pay Scales Annual Salary Scale for Salaried Staff January 2007

#### **ADMINISTRATION & HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

PSML (2007 Revision): Complete set of laws for the Cayman Islands Civil Service

- Schedule One of the Personnel Regulations: A document describing Employment Terms and conditions 05-Dec-2007
- Personnel Regulations Public Service Management Law, 2005 (Law 27 of 2005)
- Public Service Management Law, 2005 HR Law
- Public Servant Code of Conduct Code of Conduct for Civil Servants 05-Dec-2007

#### RECORDS MANAGEMENT

- Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Record Management
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- National Achieve and Public Records Law

# HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT, YOUTH, SPORTS & CULTURE (MINISTRY OF)

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Permanent Secretary: Mrs. Jennifer Ahearn, JP

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#### **YSU Principle Officers**

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Head of Unit

Mr. James Myles

Youth Services Coordinator

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#### ORGANISATION AND FUNCTIONS

# **RESPONSIBILITIES & FUNCTIONS OF YSU**

# Monitoring and Evaluation of Youth Service Providers

- Regular visitations and recommendations
  - Monitoring visits of youth service providers that are funded partly by the Government. These visits are documented and recommendations are made for funding to continue or not
  - Advice is also given on ways to strengthen the programmes and collaborative arrangements are most times made to assist with the implementation of the NYP goals
  - o Review of finances from last grant and assistance with forward planning offered

#### **Youth Governance and Participation**

- Youth Governance & Voice
  - Organize and run the Cayman Islands Youth Assembly
  - o Organize and run the selection process of National Youth Ambassadors
  - Organize and produce a youth radio talk show [YouthFlex Radio Show]
- Youth Empowerment
  - Assist young people with Career guidance and paths
  - Assist young people with work place preparation and interview tips
  - Assist young people with desk research and projects
  - Assist young people with job placement
- Youth Participation
  - Organize and run the Cayman Islands Youth Passport Programme

#### Fostering a Culture of Collaborative

- Collaborations with Youth Service Providers
  - Schools and Churches
  - Community Based youth groups and Youth Uniformed groups
  - National Youth Policy enhancement and implementation strategy using a collaborative framework
  - Sizzling Summer Series Camps in collaboration with private sector companies, service clubs and Government departments

Assist with collaborative community projects and events

#### **YSU LAWS & REGULATIONS**

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The Youth Services Unit is not governed by any specific law, but its mandate is directed by the National Youth Policy, the Government Strategic Policy Statements from Cabinet and the laws and regulations that govern all Government Departments and Units.

### **YSU GUIDELINES**

- Youth Services Unit FOI Policy
- FOI Complaints/Requests Procedure Guidelines
- Youth Group Assistance Guidelines

# **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

Currently, (Dec 2009) there are no functioning committees within YSU; but YSU Officers are members of a number of boards and committees that function within government and the private sector. Frequently, YSU officers are asked to produce reports or recommendations from a youth development prospective.

#### YSU POLICIES & PROCEDURES

In addition to the laws and regulations listed above the following policies and procedures are used at YSU.

- Complaints-handling procedure
- Human Resource policies & procedures
- Hurricane Preparedness manual
- Youth Groups Assistance Criterion and procedures

#### List of Forms Used (External & Internal)

- Application Form Cayman Islands Youth Assembly
- Application Forms Cayman Islands Youth Passport Programme
- Application Form Youth Group Assistance
- Application Form- YouthFlex Radio Show
- FOI Request Form
- FOI Complaints Form
- Registration Form Sizzling Summer Series Camps

# **List of Publications at YSU**

- The Advocate YSU Quarterly Newsletter
- Youth Flex Radio Show Scripts
- Sizzling Summer Series Camps Manuals

- Event Flyers and Programmes
- 2000 National Youth Policy of the Cayman Islands
- 2001 Committee of Inquiry into the Social Breakdown and Violence among youth in the Cayman Islands
- 2005 White, Perceptions of Family of Incarcerated youth
- 2006 Forde, Predispositions to Criminality
- 2008 CARICOM Dreams and Aspirations Study
- 2009 NYC, Student Concerns & Involvement Survey
- 2009 White, Review of previous youth literature for the Cayman Islands

#### **PERMITS GRANTED**

The Youth Services Unit do not issue any permits to date [Dec 2009].

This may change in the future but is not part of the functions of YSU to date.

#### **EVALUATIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Evaluations by YSU staff are documented through visitation reports or recommendation based on their findings. Many of these reports or recommendations can be accessed by the public under the FOI law.

### List of visitations and evaluations carried out by YSU

- Faith Based Youth Groups
  - Church Youth Groups
  - Church based After-School Programmes
- Youth Uniformed Groups
  - SDA Pathfinder Groups [Gideon & Lightbearers]
  - o Cayman Islands Scouts Association
  - Cayman Islands Girls Brigade
  - o Cayman Islands Girl Guides
- Sports Groups
  - Cayman Academy Sports Club
  - Future Football Club
- Community Groups

The New Self Help Community Foundation

#### **CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD**

Classes of Information	Restrictions & Accessibility to information
Cabinet reports & recommendations	FOI request concerning this type of information should be directed to the Cabinet Office or the Ministry of HEYS&C.

Personal / Human Resource records	Access to information restricted to the relevant personnel.
Visitation records & recommendations	Majority of information can be accessed by the public using FOI. Access is restricted for personal information concerning clients or private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.
Complaints	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.
Study Reports & Publications	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through without using the FOI law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.  Services paid for by private entities are the property of the payee unless the information is prejudiced to health & human safety.
Financial information i.e. accounts, budget	Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or private residents or if information is being used in an investigation.



# **Cayman Islands Department of Sports**

# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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The Department of Sports will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

#### 2. Information that may be withheld

The **Department of Sports** will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the *Department of Sports*, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the *Department of Sports*' (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at http://www.departmentofsports.com. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact us at -foi.dsp@gov.ky.

## Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call 949-7082 to request information.

#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Department of Sports P.O. Box 392, Ky1-1106 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

## Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact us at foi.dsp@gov.ky.

The **Department of Sports** will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the **Department of Sports** is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The **Department of Sports** strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

## Postage costs

The **Department of Sports** will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the *Department of Sports* has received your payment.

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the *Department of Sports* that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be *requested in writing*. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

Requests for information must be made in writing and should be submitted via email, post or facsimile.

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Office Phone #: 1-345-949-7082

Fax #: 1-345-946-9161

Email: foi.dsp@gov.ky or sports@gov.ky

http://www.departmentofsports.com/foi.html

Your written request should include the following details:

- 1) A name (a real name is not mandatory; a fake name or pseudonym is acceptable).
- A postal address and/or email address to which you want our response to be sent to you. This is also helpful in case the Department of Sports needs to contact you to clarify a aspect of your request.
- 3) Details of the records, including if you know, the period to which the information you are seeking relates; any dates relevant to the information being requested; the name or other identifying characteristics of the document; and,
- 4) The form of access you prefer such as electronic, photocopy, etc.

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# The goals of the Organization are:

- 1) To use sports as a vehicle to encourage and promote good health, social integration and a well rounded disciplined society. In this regard special opportunities are to be made available to children, young people, senior citizens and the differently abled.
- 2) To promote sporting excellence as a means of promoting National Pride, Patriotism, and enhance good will among nations.
- 3) To encourage and provide for the fullest participation of women and girls in all areas of sport, consistent with the 1994 Brighton Declaration on Women in Sport.
- 4) To maintain facilities at recreational and international standards to cater to the residents and promote the Cayman Islands as a premier sport destination.
- 5) To promote and facilitate sport as an industry that will contribute to the national economy.

## Name of public authority

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#### **Ministry**

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#### **Boards and committees**

N/A

http://www.departmentofsports.com/foi.html

#### Frequently asked questions

## How do I form a Non-Profit (NFP) Sporting Association?

- 1) Notify in writing your intention of forming a NFP Sport Organization to the
- 2) Cayman Islands Olympic Committee (CIOC) and the Sports Department.
- 3) Call for a meeting: This can be done through various media vehicles and the ad should include the meeting venue, date, time and contact information.
- 4) Discuss the proposed Association's objectives to the meeting attendees.
- 5) Identify possible association members among attendees/participants.
- 6) Select at least 5 executive members for the Association: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer.
- 7) Take minutes of the meeting and send to all participants.
- 8) Call for second meeting and present a motion to confirm the minutes. Send approved minutes to the COIC, Sports Department and proposed association members.
- 9) Wait for a period of about 3 months for CIOC and Government Accreditation. Develop Association Articles and send them to Sports Department for Ministerial review.
- 10) The Minister will then accept or reject recommendations and once accepted, the final document will be taken to the Legislative Assembly for approval.

## Does the Sports Department control the associations?

No. The Sports Department doesn't have control over the Sports Associations.

## • What role does the Sports Department play with the associations?

The Department's role is to monitor and implement Ministerial policies among sporting associations in the Cayman Islands.

How can I reserve/book a facility for an event?

Facilities can be booked by any individual and/or Organization officially recognized by the Ministry of Sports and the Cayman Islands Government. However, applications for any International Sport Event planned at a Government Facility must be received at least 1 month in advance for reservation purposes and Ministerial representation availability. Download the proper form from our "Forms" page, then fax or scan and email forms to us.

# How do I report damage to a facility or if lights are inadvertently left on during the day?

Citizens are encouraged to be vigilant in helping us care for our facilities. Any damage, misuse, abuse, vandalism etc should be reported the the Department at 949-7082 or 926-7082.

#### • Who is allowed to use the National Track?

National Athletes, National Teams and National Event Participants.

http://www.departmentofsports.com/fags.html

# **History**

The Government has always been aware of the need to support the development of sports and recreation as an important element in the social and economic development of these islands. In 1935 Governor Cornwall organized the first regatta for Catboats and schooners both as a social event, and as a means of encouraging tourists visiting Jamaica to come to the Cayman Islands. In 1938 efforts were made by a school inspector to include physical drill as part of the education curriculum and in 1947 it was recommended that every school should have a "Sports Day". In 1938 also saw the return of Timothy "Teacher" Mcfield and Mr. Vernon Jackson to Grand Cayman and both men began organizing football and other sports in the schools.

The first interschool sports were held in 1949. This trend, to better the organization of sport continued, and in 1976, the First Cayman Team participated in the Olympics in sailing. Since then the Cayman Islands have participated in CARIFTA, Central American and Caribbean Games, Pan American Games, the Commonwealth Games, Island Games, the Olympic Games, World Championships in Athletics, and the World Cup qualifiers in Football. In 1987 the Sports Office was created to assist the growing number of Associations with their planning and management, and to advise Government on Policy matters related to sport in the Cayman Islands. The then Minister for Health, Education and Social Services Mr. Benson Ebanks is quoted as saying that, he was "putting emphasis on Sport because it did two things for the country; It improved health and developed character".

In 1994, the then Minister for Sports, The Honourable Mckeeva Bush tabled in the Legislative Assembly a document entitled "Sports Development in the Cayman Islands-A National Policy Statement," which outlined the benefits of Sports to the Cayman Islands, a course of action to be pursued as it is related to the provision of facilities, and which while recognizing the benefits of all sporting activities, indicated those sports which should receive greatest assistance from Government, since Government could not adequately satisfy the needs of the then 34 National Associations.

In 2008, after experiencing a massive destruction of nearly all facilities, the then Minister for Sport - Honourable Alden Mglaughlin - led a massive reconstruction of the major sporting facilities in the Cayman Islands in an effort to move the Islands forward in their quest to facilitate both local and International Events.

http://www.departmentofsports.com/aboutus.html

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

#### Governance

- Public Service Management Law
- Freedom of Information Law2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2007 Revision)
- Immigration Law (2006 Revision) and Regulations
- National Pensions Law (2000) and Regulations
- Customs Law(2007 Revision) and Regulations
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2005 Revision)

## **Corporate management**

- Annual Report http://www.departmentofsports.com/foi.html
- Inspections, reviews, performance assessments
- Statistics
- Hurricane Plan
- Budget http://www.departmentofsports.com/foi.html .

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

#### Financial management

- Annual Report http://www.departmentofsports.com/foi.html
- Finance and Accounting
- Budget http://www.departmentofsports.com/foi.html .

#### Administration

- Press Releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Staff pay and grading structures
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Human Resources

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

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- Complaints-handling procedure;
- HR policies and procedures
- Information management policy; Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Risk Management
- Facility Management
- Code of Ethics
- Operating policies and procedures; Standards of service

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Evaluation procedures; Assessment criteria

# **LISTS & REGISTERS**

Asset register;

## **OUR SERVICES**

- Facility Reservation Forms
- Sports Grant Application Forms
- Summer Camp Forms

http://www.departmentofsports.com/forms.html

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- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.
- case-files as created and used by the Enforcement section. These may be available (subject to FOI law exemptions) by application to the Courts Office.
- Enforcement patrol schedules
- Scientific data collections prior to publication

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in Section 7: *Categories of information*.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Department of Environment's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to Section 6: *Complaints*.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of Information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on our website and can be downloaded in PDF format, or members of the public can use our website "Search" facility at www.doe.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme please contact Information Manager, Margaret Buchanan at the number below.

#### **Email**

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.env@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call (345) 949-8469 to request information.

# <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Department of Environment PO Box 486 Grand Cayman KY1-1106

Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See Section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in Section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact:

Margaret Buchanan, Admin & Finance Manager; Information Manager

CIG- Dept. of Environment Tel: (345) 949-8469

Direct: (345) 244-5994

Fax: (345) 949-4020

P.O. Box 486, Grand Cayman KY1-1106

email: margaret.buchanan@gov.ky or foi.env@gov.ky

The Department of Environment will adhere to its obligations under Section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that may be legally required. Where the Department of Environment is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Department of Environment strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

There are some publications which the Department of Environment offers for sale. Currently: "Threatened Plants of the Cayman Islands - The Red List" by Frederic J. Burton; \$19.95 C.I.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

#### Schedule of Fees

- 1) Photocopy Black & White (all sizes) \$1.00 per page;
- 2) Photocopy Color (all sizes) \$1.50 per page
- 3) Photographs:
  - a. (a)Black & White / Colour (digital photographic print from digital file, scanned hardcopy of existing negative);
    - i) 8 \_ x 11 (or smaller) \$5.00
    - ii) 8 1/21 x 14 \$7.50
    - iii) 11 x 17 \$10.00
  - b. (b) Black and white (photocopy or standard pint-out) \$1.00
  - c. (c) Colour (photocopy or standard print-out) \$1.50
- 4) Conversion of an analogue audio or video record (e.g., tape or reel to reel) into digital MP3 or DivX file format; an amount that does not exceed the actual costs incurred by the authority, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the conversion, plus the purchase cost of any carrier medium (compact disc or DVD).
- 5) Transcripts an amount that does not exceed the actual costs incurred by the authority based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the transcription.
- 6) Blue print reproduction \$3.00 per sheet.
- 7) Maps and plans \$5.00 per page
- 8) Print-out of a digital document or database report Black & White copy (all sizes) \$1.00 per page.
- 9) Provision of a digital record (text or image) in standard PDF, JPEG or TIF file format: (a) by email no charge; (b) on compact disc or DVD \$2.00.

- 10) Conversion of a paper record (text or image) into PDF, JPEG or TIF file format; the actual costs incurred by the authority, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the conversion, plus the purchase cost of any carrier medium (compact disc or DVD).
- 11) Digital text files converted to audio formats for visually impaired the actual costs incurred by the Computer Services Department, based on hourly rates of staff undertaking the conversion, plus the purchase cost of any carrier medium.
- 12) Posting of record: Where access to the record to which the request relates is to be given in the form of the provision of a copy of the record and the copy provided is, at the request of the applicant, to be send by post or courier, a charge in respect of the posting or delivery of the copy not exceeding the actual cost of post or delivery.
- 13) Shipping costs The Department of Environment will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery chosen by applicant and a preparation charge of \$20.00.
- 14) Expedited service: \$50.00 non refundable payable on making application.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Department of Environment] that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

Freedom of Information requests must be made in writing (letter, fax, prescribed form) including in electronic form. Email requests are also acceptable. You don't have to give a reason why you want the information; however, your request should be specific. Remember that a public agency may not be able to respond to a vague or voluminous request if it may strain available resources. Specific requests will help you get what you want, so try to provide as much information as possible: what kind of document it is, what format is the information in, what date or year was it produced.

## 6. Complaints

The Department of Environment aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact our Information Manager: (345) 949-8469: email: margaret.buchanan@gov.ky and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained by contacting a member of our Administrative staff at (345) 949-8469.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Our Services

## **ABOUT US**

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Freedom of Information website www.foi.gov.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
Grand Cayman:	
Dept. of Environment – Main Office Cayman Islands Environmental Centre 580 North Sound Road George Town 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday	Main staff office & admin Laboratories & workshops Conference Rooms Library (open by appointment) Fishing licences
Little Cayman:	
Blossom Village (next to the public park)  No scheduled hours – phone 916-7021	Marine Parks Office Marine Enforcement Visiting Scientist accommodation Workshop
Cayman Brac:	
Creek 256 Creek Road	Marine Enforcement Office Marine Parks Office
No scheduled hours – phone 926-0136	

# **Organisation and functions**

The Department of Environment (DoE), under the Ministry for Health, Environment, Youth, Sport and Culture (HEYS&C), is the main Government agency responsible for the management and conservation of the environment and natural resources.

The DoE works to facilitate responsible management and sustainable use of the natural environment and resources of the Cayman Islands through various environmental protection and conservation programmes and strategies.

The Department of Environment seeks to develop and support environmental citizenship by promoting awareness, understanding and appreciation of Cayman's natural environment. Together with other government agencies, non-profit organizations and the private sector the DOE has contributed to the structure, programmes and funding of environmental education in the Cayman Islands.

Cayman Islands Environmental Project for the Tourism Sector (CEPTS) is a joint project between the Department of Environment and the Department of Tourism which works with the tourism sector to implement Environmental Management Systems with the goal of reducing facilities' environmental impact through energy and water conservation, reduction of waste streams and . The first phase of the project involves guest accommodations with several facilities participating in a pilot programme. Subsequent phases will expand the project to other sectors of tourism businesses.

The Departmental Organisational Chart and job descriptions are available upon request.

#### **Boards and Committees**

# **Technical Review Committee (TRC)**

The Department is charged with advising the Central Planning Authority (via the Planning Department) on land-based development applications and Cabinet (via the Ministry of Environment) on coastal works applications. The in-house Technical Review Committee (TRC) meets each week to review such applications and provide advice to the relevant agency in the form of a technical review. The TRC comprises the Director, the two Deputy Directors, the Senior Sustainable Development Officer (and the two officers from this unit being the Senior Sustainable Development Officer and the Environmental Assessment Officer) and the Manager, Terrestrial Ecology Unit During these weekly sessions the TRC frequently meets with developers and applicants to give advice on mitigating environmental concerns associated with proposals or to outline the environmental assessment process prior to the submission of formal applications.

Coastal works reviews are undertaken by the TRC. Development along the coast is regulated by the Central Planning Authority when activities occur on land down to the Mean High Water Mark (MHWM). However, when activities extend from the MHWM seaward over seabed that is Crown property, such development falls under the jurisdiction of Cabinet. Projects such as docks, launching ramps, groynes and bulkheads built at or originating from mean high water, or dredging and filling works in open sea, would require approval from Cabinet in the form of a Coastal Works Licence. The purpose of the licence is two-fold: it grants permission by Cabinet to utilise Crown property and thereby avoid trespass issues; and it satisfies section 23 of the Marine Conservation Law which makes it an offence to cut, carve, injure, mutilate, remove, displace or break any underwater coral or plant growth or formation in Cayman waters unless licenced to do so. (More details on this process are on our website: www.doe.ky)

#### **Marine Conservation Board**

The Marine Conservation Board (MCB) is a statutory authority, appointed under section 3 of the Marine Conservation Law that functions to generally administer the Marine Conservation Law and associated regulations, and to issue various licences as specified under the law. Members are appointed by the Governor with representation from Grand Cayman and the Sister Islands. Typically the Board convenes monthly. The meetings are not generally open to the public but persons may contact the MCB secretary if they wish to meet the Board members to discuss a matter of concern. The administrative work of the MCB is the responsibility of the DoE through the MCB Secretary and the department's clerical staff.

Current Marine Conservation Board Members:

Mr. Don Foster Chairman

Mr. Davy Ebanks Acting Chairman

Mr. Richard Flowers Member
Capt. Chuckie Ebanks Member
Capt. Bryan Ebanks Member
Capt. Andrew Pierson Member

Mr. Kenny Ryan
Mr. Bruce Eldermire
Mr. Bernard Watson
Mr. Patrick Kenny
Mr. Bill Christoffers
Mrs. Gina Ebanks-Petrie
Sister Is. Member
Sister Is. Member
CITA Ad Hoc Member
Ex-Officio Member

Phil Bush Secretary

Meeting minutes may be accessible by the public through FOI law. Forms available upon request:

- Application for a Spear Gun Owners Licence
- Application for an Annual/Monthly Fishing Licence
- Application for a Fish Pot Licence
- Application for a Licence to take Turtles
- Renewal Application for a Seine Net Licence
- Application for a Wildlife Interaction Zone 'Tourist Boat Licence'

Please note these licences command a fee. Some of the applications can only be processed upon production of a current personal Criminal Record issued by the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service. Please contact us for further information.

## **Aggregate Advisory Committee**

The Aggregate Advisory Committee (AAC) is a multi-agency technical group consisting of members from National Roads Authority, Water Authority, Planning Department and Department of Environment. Each agency is an equal partner with DoE being the administrators at this time. The AAC functions to advise the Central Planning Authority on the provision of construction aggregate and fill material with the objective of ensuring that a sufficient supply remains available while reducing environmental impact from quarries, excavation and dredging. The AAC was formed in 2002 and meets monthly (or as necessary). As the AAC frequently reviews private business proposals the meetings are not open to the public. Copies of the Central Planning Authority's Aggregate Policy, The Study for the Provision of Aggregate and Fill Material, and AAC Organisational Policy are available upon request.

**Beach Review and Assessment Committee**, and the **Environment and Coastal Zone Management Committee** are both defunct and therefore not sitting committees. Information about them and DOE's participation on them can be found on our website.

#### Frequently asked questions

The most frequently asked questions at the Department of Environment are actually not for us at all and are the result of similarly named departments. We receive many calls regarding garbage collection: this is the responsibility of the Department of Environmental Health. Neither are we responsible for rodent issues; insect infestations; garden bonfires; derelict cars or strange odours. For any such enquiries please contact: evh@gov.ky or call 345 949 6696. Frequently asked questions which are relevant to this department are typically in respect of Fishing Seasons, and the island wide Marine Parks. We produce a leaflet titled: 'Marine Park Regulations & Marine Conservation Laws Cayman Islands'. This is available from our offices; on-line via our website; or the information can be referenced in the current Cayman Islands Services Directory produced by Cable & Wireless.

#### When is lobster/conch season?

Lobsters: 1 March through 30 November. No one may take lobsters from Cayman waters during these months. No one may purchase, receive or possess lobsters taken from Cayman waters during these months.

Conch: 1 May through 31 October. No one may take conch from Cayman waters during these months. No one may purchase, receive or possess conch taken from Cayman waters during these months.

## May I take home a conch shell?

Conch shells, a popular tourist souvenir, are taken from Cayman waters as a by-product of local fishing for their meat. Because acquisition of the shell is incidental to this activity, and because there are currently laws in place to limit the amount of conch fished in Cayman waters, the export of a small number of shells (no more than three) by individuals as souvenirs does not require a CITES export permit. This is in line with the international policy formulated by the Parties to the Convention and the governing CITES Secretariat in Geneva.

## Who may catch fish?

Unless licensed by the Marine Conservation Board, residents who do NOT possess Caymanian Status may not take or attempt to take, by any means, any marine life while he is on shore or in any part of Cayman waters in which he can stand.

No license is required for catch and release fishing.

# How do I make an FOI request?

If you wish to make a request for information then you should contact the Information Manager listed above. Requests may also be made through our Government assigned email address foi.env@gov.ky . Requests must be in writing (letter, email or facsimile) and must include your name and an address (either postal or e-mail). Please be as specific as possible about the information you would like, as this will help us to respond promptly. Where possible, please include a contact telephone number so we can call to discuss your request if necessary.

We will respond to your request as soon as possible upon receipt. The Law requires public authorities to respond within 30 calendar days, allowing an extension of an additional 30 calendar days if needed. We are obligated by law to always acknowledge receipt of all FOI requests made to the Information Manager and we are also obligated to let you know if there is a need to extend the deadline. For detailed advice on what type of information may be exempt, please see the FOI Unit website.

## How is Climate Change being addressed by the Cl Government?

National Climate Change Working Group: This working group, mainly comprised of public agencies but with some private sector partners, was created in and chaired by the DOE since 2007. Its purpose is administering the 3-year UK Department for International Development-funded Enhancing Capacity for Adaptation to Climate Change in the Caribbean UK Overseas Territories (ECACC) project. It has been working toward a *National Climate Change Policy* for the Cayman Islands.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

## **Governance: Legislation and International Conventions**

# **Local Legislation**

- \* Marine Conservation Law (2007 revision)
- \* Marine Conservation Regulations (2004 revision
- \* Marine Conservation (Marine Parks) Regulations (2007 revision)
- \* Marine Conservation (Turtle Protection) Regulations (2008 revision)
- \* Marine Conservation Directives (2003 revision)
- \* Endangered Species Protection and Propagation Law (1999 revision)
- \* Animals Law (2003 revision)
- \* Merchant Shipping Law (2008 revision)
- \* Merchant Shipping (Marine Pollution) Law, 2001 [available for view at DoE or purchase from the office of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly]
- Draft National Conservation Law
- Endangered Species (Trade and Transport) Law, 2004 [not yet in force]

# (\* These items of legislation can be emailed to enquirers upon request.)

# International Conventions for environmental conservation extended to the Cayman Islands

- Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter (London Convention) http://www.unep.ch/regionalseas/main/legal/llondon.html
- International Convention on Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Co-operations (OPRC) http://fletcher.tufts.edu/multi/texts/BH981.txt
- International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) http://www.imo.org/Conventions/contents.asp?doc id=678&topic id=258
- International Convention relating to Intervention on the High Seas in Cases of Oil Pollution Casualties (Intervention Convention) http://sedac.ciesin.org/entri/texts/intervention.high.seas.casualties.1969.html
- International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage (CLC) http://www.imo.org/Conventions/
- International Convention on the Establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage (Fund Convention) http://www.imo.org/Conventions/
- Convention on Biological Diversity http://www.cbd.int/convention/convention.shtml
- Convention for the Protection and Development of the Marine Environment in the Wider Caribbean Region (Cartagena Convention) http://www.cep.unep.org/welcome/about-cep/amep/assessment-management-ofenvironmental-polution-amep
- Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (Bonn Convention) http://www.unepwcmc.org/conventions/harmonization/products/CMS\_InformationPaper.pdf
- Convention on Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar Convention) http://www.ramsar.org
- Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) http://www.cites.org/eng/disc/text.shtml
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change / Kyoto Protocol http://unfccc.int/essential background/convention/background/items/2853.php

## FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

## **Administration and Financial Management**

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively: including the management of financial resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

## Financial management\*

- Finance and Accounting
- Annual Budgets
- Registry of Fixed Assets
- Grant funding

- Monthly Cabinet Output Invoices
- Financial statements; Half-yearly / quarterly reports
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures
- Board members allowances and expenses
- Ministerial expenditure
- List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; Recently-awarded contracts

#### Administration\*

- Insurance policies
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- DoE Disaster Control Plan
- Training and Safety
- Human Resources
- Press Releases

## **Human Resource Management**

- Annual Salary Scale for Salaried Staff July 2008
- \* Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision Complete set of laws for Cayman Islands Civil Service) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Schedule One of the Personnel Regulations: A document describing Employment Terms and conditions 05-Dec-2007
- Public Servant Code of Conduct for Civil Servants 05-Dec-2007
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
- \* Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)

(\* These laws/regulations are available for viewing at our offices by appointment.)

## **CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD FOR ADMINISTRATION SECTION**

Classes of Information	Restrictions & Accessibility to information
CIG/Internal to Government Cabinet reports & recommendations	FOI requests concerning this type of information should be directed to the Cabinet Office or the Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports & Culture
Personnel / Human Resource records.	Access to personal information is restricted to the relevant personnel.
Financial information i.e. accounts, budget, Grant Agreements	The majority of this information can be accessed by the public through FOI law. Access is restricted for personal information or if information is being used for recommendations or investigation.
Vendor Files	The majority of this information can be accessed by the public

<sup>\*</sup>Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

CIG/local/overseas	through FOI law.
Equipment & Purchasing	The majority of this information can be accessed by the public through FOI law.

# **Records Management**

Under guidance from CINA, records are managed in accordance with:

- Chief Secretary's Code of Practice on Record Management
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- National Achieve and Public Records Law

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Policy documents may be obtainable upon request from Information Manager

- National Environmental Policy
- National Oil Spill Contingency Plan
- Coastal Works Policy
- Aquaculture Policy
- Internal Complaint Review Procedure
- \*Diving Policy
- \*Boating Operations and Workshop Policies
- \*Workplace Rules: Enforcement Handbook

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Marine Conservation Board meeting minutes
- Fisheries Licencing permits
- TRC reviews & recommendations for Coastal Works and Planning applications
- Ocean Disposal Permit

#### **OUR SERVICES**

The Cayman Islands Department of Environment's mission is to facilitate responsible management and sustainable use of the natural environment and resources of the Cayman Islands through a variety of environmental protection and conservation strategies and programmes.

With a permanent staff compliment of 37 employees the Department of Environment is divided into four (4) main sections.

<sup>\*</sup> Documents pending review and approval of Ministry

#### Administration Section

The Administration Section handles much of the routine clerical work including accounting, filing, routing public inquires to the appropriate DOE staff, managing the front desk and providing secretarial to other members of staff.

#### **Enforcement Section**

The Enforcement Section works primarily with the enforcement of the Marine Conservation Law to ensure that Marine Park Regulations and other environmental laws are adhered to on a daily basis.

The Enforcement Section spends a significant proportion of their time conducting routine patrols of the marine environment. In cases of infractions of the law that require prosecution the Marine Enforcement Officers must assist in the preparation of case files for the Legal Department including collecting evidence, taking statements and attending Court.

The Marine Enforcement Section remains on standby 24 hours a day and is often called upon to assist in search and rescue operations for vessels or people in distress around Cayman waters.

#### CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD FOR ENFORCEMENT SECTION

Classes of Information	Restrictions & Accessibility to information
Case Files	The majority of this information can not be accessed by the public, even through FOI law, if it is being used for investigation/evidence purposes. Application to the Courts office may be made for closed files.
Log book copies	The majority of this information can not be accessed by the public, even through FOI law, if it is being used for investigation/evidence purposes; or if it contains details of surveillance schedules.
Public Relations – correspondence re Marine Law queries, etc.	The majority of this information can be accessed by the public upon request or through FOI law.

## **Operations Section**

The Operations Section deals extensively with the day-to-day maintenance of the Cayman Islands' Marine Parks System, including the installation and routine maintenance of over 350 Public Moorings, Marine Park boundary markers and signs.

The Operations Section is also primarily responsible for the maintenance of the Department's vehicles, boats and other technical equipment employed in all aspects of DOE work. Additionally the Operations Section staff provides field and logistical support to DOE research projects as well as functioning as the primary marine pollution response team for oil spills and other pollution events.

## **CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD FOR OPERATIONS SECTION**

Classes of Information	Restrictions & Accessibility to information
Public Moorings	Lists of mooring provided for public use on each island is freely available
Marine Pollution	The majority of this information can be accessed by the public through FOI law. Access is restricted for personal information or if information is being used for recommendations or investigation.

## Research and Assessment Section

The Research and Assessment Section is comprised of three units: the Marine Resources Unit, the Terrestrial Resources Unit and the Sustainable Development Unit. The Marine Resources Unit is responsible for the design and implementation of the Department's marine and coastal research agenda with a main emphasis on research projects that deal with local management issues such as the conservation of local fisheries or other natural resources, as well as providing aquaculture support and development services.

The Terrestrial Resources Unit with a staff of two is a growing but dynamic unit. It focuses on the monitoring of key species and habitats on land and the conservation and protection of our unique biodiversity. The SDU's focus is on providing advice and recommendations on environmentally sustainable (or "green") development practices and procedures to the Cabinet, the Central Planning Authority and the general public. The Unit is also the focal point for Climate Change adaptation and mitigation planning and plays the leading role with respect to environmental assessment functions in the department's Technical Review Committee.

The Sustainable Development Unit (SDU) at the DOE was set up in July 2006 to spearhead the formation of a national policy-level strategy for sustainable development. This was in reaction to the expanding advisory nature of the DOE on environmental best practices and obligations under various Multilateral Environmental Agreements that require integration of physical, economic, social and environmental development planning policies. To date the SDU has worked on a National Sustainable Development Framework, draft National Conservation Law, the draft Grand Cayman Development Plan, revised National Tourism Management Policy, Go East Initiative, National Assessment of Living Conditions study and Public Health Review, the Enhancing Climate Change Adaptation in the Caribbean (ECACC) project, implementation of the Kyoto Protocol, and continues to advise on planning and coastal works applications.

#### **SDU Newsletter:**

The Sustainable Development Unit (SDU) at the Department of Environment produces a newsletter – "SDU News" – to promote the work of the SDU and sustainable development initiatives going on in the community, and make people aware of the sustainable development issues facing the Cayman Islands.

All issues of the newsletter can be found at http://www.doe.ky/about/sustainable-development-unit/.

## **CLASSES OF INFORMATION HELD FOR RESEARCH SECTION**

Classes of Information	Restrictions & Accessibility to information
Aquaculture Policy and Files. Diversification. Water Quality/Pond surveys/Quarry pit monitoring. Fish kills. Conch surveys. Exotic aquatic imports.	The majority of this information can be accessed by the public upon request.
Environmental Impact Advice	FOI requests concerning this type of information may need to be directed to the Cabinet Office or the Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports & Culture.
Marine Animal Sightings Project	The majority of this information can be accessed by the public upon request.
Sustainable Development Unit Files	The majority of this information can be accessed by the public upon request. Access may be restricted if information is being used for recommendations or investigation.
Technical Review Committee files	FOI requests concerning this type of information may need to be directed to the Cabinet Office or the Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports & Culture.
Terrestrial Section Files	The majority of this information can be accessed by the public upon request.
Turtle Research General Educational Material	The majority of this information can be accessed by the public upon request.

The Department of Environment staff members work to produce a range of brochures, newsletters, reports and leaflets with the aim of providing general information to the public. These are normally available, free of charge, for pick-up at the DoE offices, or on line through links on our website.

# List of Brochures, Newsletters, Reports and Research Papers from the Department of Environment

- National Climate Change Working Group
- Climate Change Workshop Report
- Darwin Initiative Newsletter
- Design and Construction Guidelines for Docks
- DoE DEH. Do you know the difference?
- DOE Marine Research News
- DoE Sighting Program
- ECACC Project Launch
- ECACC Project Report
- Flicker \*
- Guide to Submitting Application for Coastal Works

- Marine Park Regulations & Marine Conservation Laws
- Marine Turtles and Lighting Management
- Public Moorings
- Reducing Your Office Footprint. Part 1 Energy
- SDU News
- Tompkins and Hurlston (2003): Report to Government on Adaptation Lessons Learned
- Tompkins and Hurlston (2005): Natural Hazards & Climate Change
- Welcome to the Darwin Initiative
- Wildlife Interaction Zones
- 'Flicker' is aimed at promoting terrestrial environmental awareness in the Cayman Islands. Flicker will give people the opportunity to make their work publicly accessible and citable. Short communications, reviews, essays and notes re welcomed. Anyone undertaking research (students, interns, visiting scientists) is invited to submit their findings. Some overseas scientists, who have carried out work in Cayman, have already submitted papers. It's a great way to communicate the results of small projects, which may be overlooked by large scientific journals, and helps promote conservation research in the Cayman Islands. Flicker already has a multinational readership, and interest is growing. Soon all issues will be made freely available on the web, increasing awareness and readership still further. Check www.doe.ky or www.caymanbiodiversity.com for further information.

#### SDU Newsletter

The Sustainable Development Unit (SDU) at the Department of Environment produces a newsletter – "SDU News" – to promote the work of the SDU and sustainable development initiatives going on in the community, and make people aware of the sustainable development issues facing the Cayman Islands.

All issues of the newsletter can be found at http://www.doe.ky/about/sustainable-development-unit/.

An update of the services offered by the SDU can be provided upon request.

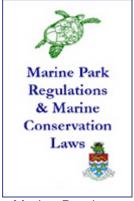
Some recent editions of our literature are featured below as an example.

DoE Marine Research News: This brief newsletter outlines the work of the Department of Environment Marine Research Section.

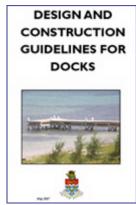




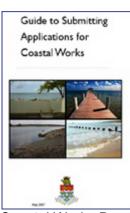
# **Examples of available DOE Literature**



Marine Brochure



ck Guidelines Brochure



Coastal Works Brochure



DOE - DEH



Marine Turtles & Lighting



Wildlife Interaction Zones



Climate Change Work Group e Change Workshop Report





ECACC Project – Launch



ECACC Project – Report



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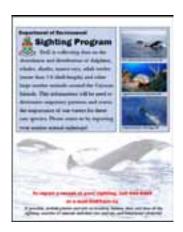


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# **Cayman Islands Cadet Corps**

# **Publication Scheme**

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

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The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the **Cayman Islands Cadet Corps** to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

## The Cayman Islands Cadet Corps will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below (section 7);
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Cayman Islands Cadet Corps will generally not publish:

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- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Cayman Islands Cadet Corps's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

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#### Online

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If there is no link, or the link is broken, or if you are having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please email foi.cad@gov.ky or call the Cadet Corps office at (+1 345) 946- 9810.

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.cad@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

## <u>Phone</u>

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call the Admin Officer or the Adjutant at 946-9810 to request information.

#### <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

The Information Manager
Cayman Islands Cadet Corps
Government Administration Building
Grand Cayman KY1-9000
CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact the Admin Officer at 946-9810.

The Cayman Islands Cadet Corps will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

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## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Cayman Islands Cadet Corps strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

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# Reproduction costs

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Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

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## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Cayman Islands Cadet Corps that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

For information on making a request, please see:

http://www.cicadetcorps.com/documents/application/FOI%20Application%20Form.pdf

#### 6. About the Publication Scheme

The Cayman Islands Cadet Corps aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Adjutant at adjutant@cicadetcorps.com, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from http://www.cicadetcorps.com/documents/ConductAndComplaint/cicc%20complaints%20proced ure.doc.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response, forward appeals to:

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

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# **ABOUT US**

# **Cayman Islands Cadet Corps**

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Ministry of Health Environment Youth, Sports & Culture

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# **Adjutant Training Officer (Grand Cayman)**

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# **Executive Officer (Cayman Brac Office)**

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# **Information Manager Designate**

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# Freedom of Information website

www.foi.gov.ky

# Organisation and functions

The Cayman Islands Cadet Corps (CICC) aims to <u>inspire</u> young people to achieve success in life with a spirit of service to God the Almighty, the Sovereign, the Cayman Islands and their community, and to develop in them the qualities required of a good citizen.

# **Mailing Address**

Cayman Islands Cadet Corps
Government Administration Building
Grand Cayman KY1-9000
CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone number (+1345) 946-9810 (Grand Cayman) or 948-8824 (Cayman Brac) Fax number (+1345) 946-811 (Grand Cayman) or 948-8000 (Cayman Brac)

Email address hq@cicadetcorps.com Website address www.cicadetcorps.com

Location and hours	Matters handled
Cadet Corps Headquarters 195 Old Crewe Road George Town Grand Cayman opening hours 9am-5.30pm Cadet Training 3.30-7pm (Monday-Thursday)	Administering the Cadet Corps Army Cadet Proficiency (APC) Training, Leadership Training, Parades, Public Relations, Camping, Community Service, Recruitment, Emergency Activities, Social Behaviour Adjustment Programme, Regional & International Cadetting Activities
Cayman Brac Office Spott Bay Cayman Brac Opening Hours 10am- 6pm (Wednesdays & Fridays)	Administering the Cadet Corps Army Cadet Proficiency (APC) Training, Leadership Training, Parades, Public Relations, Camping, Community Service, Recruitment, Emergency Activities, Social Behaviour Adjustment Programme, Regional & International Cadetting Activities

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Name	Meetings	Minutes
Cadet Advisory Committee (not constituted)		please refer to section 3: Methods of access (for future access)

# Frequently asked questions

Please see http://www.cicadetcorps.com/faqs.html

# STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The strategic internal management is overseen by the Senior Cadet Officers Team (SCOT). This committee is chaired by the most senior active officer (other than the commandant), Col. Phillip Hyre and consists of all officers Captain and above as well as the Cadet Admin Officer as Secretary. The members are as follows:

- Col. Phillip Hyre
- LtCol Bobeth O'Garro
- Maj Anderson White
- Capt Ricardo Henry
- Capt Robert Sutherland
- Capt Victor Hemans
- Capt Dave Thompson
- Capt Julius Jacky
- Lt Opal Stewart

#### Governance

- Cayman Islands Cadet Corps Law
- Cadet Corps Standing Orders

# FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

All finance and human resource issues are handled by the Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports & Culture. The Chief Financial Officer is Mr Carrol Cooper carrol.cooper@gov.ky and Human Resource Manager is Ms Marcia Murray Marcia.murray@gov.ky.

# Financial management

Annual budget

# **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

- Complaints-handling procedure; HR policies and proceduresCayman Islands Cadet Corps Firearms Policy

# **OUR SERVICES**

The Cadet Corps offers the Army Cadet Proficiency Syllabus. Information on lessons is available from the following website:

http://www.acompany.btik.com/documents/Training%20Aids.ikml



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**Information Manager**: Mrs. Sharaine Chin

Address (Location): George Town Hospital

#95 Hospital Road

Corner Smith & Hospital Road

George Town
Grand Cayman

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 915

Grand Cayman KY1-1103

Cayman Islands

**Telephone:** (345) 244 2857

**Fax**: (345) 244 2646

Email: foi@hsa.ky

#### Email

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## **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call (345) 244 2560 or (345) 244 2857 to request information.

#### Post

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Mrs. Sharaine Chin Information Manager Health Services Authority P.O. Box 915 Grand Cayman KY1-1103 Cayman Islands

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# Personal visits

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There are some publications which the Health Services Authority will provide to you for a nominal fee. This includes: e.g., copies of medical records, hard copies of documents

requested as per the FOI Law. For a list of reproduction fees for documents requested under the Freedom of Information Law, please see the Freedom of Information Law, 2007 at www.foi.gov.ky.

Fees for clinical services as well as medical administrative fees are contained in the Chargemaster document. This document is available in its entirety at the Legislative Assembly.

#### **Medical Records Fees:**

General Medical Reports - \$132.00 Insurance Reports - \$132.00 Miscellaneous Reports - \$32.00 Police Certificate Report - \$22.00 Copies of Records (Administration Fee) - \$5.50 Copies per page (medical records) - \$.55 Orthopaedic Specialist reports – vary from \$350 - \$3,500.

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Fees for the reproduction of Medical Records are charged at a separate rate set by the Health Services Authority.

# Postage costs

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If you wish to make a request for information from the Health Services Authority, please visit our website http://www.hsa.ky and research whether the information you need is already published. All requests for information that are not currently available through our website must be in writing, which includes email and should include the contact details of the person requesting the information. We may need to contact you to ask you for further clarification to help us provide you with the information you have requested.

In compliance with the Freedom of Information Law H.S.A will aim to respond to all requests for information within 30 working days from the date we receive your written request.

The Health Services Authority will always attempt to provide the information in the format requested.

#### 6. Complaints

The Health Services Authority aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please see contact our Information Manager and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible:

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Cayman Islands

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Email: foi@hsa.ky

If you wish to make a general complaint regarding matters not related to the Publication Scheme, your complaint may be made in person or in writing to:

# The Patient Services Representative

Cayman Islands Health Services 95 Hospital Road P.O. Box 915, Grand Cayman KY1-1103 Cayman Islands

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from our website http://www.hsa.ky

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375

Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

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# **Ministry**

Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture

## **Chief Executive Officer**

Mrs. Lizzette Yearwood

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George Town Hospital #95 Hospital Road George Town Grand Cayman Cayman Islands

# Mailing Address:

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**Telephone:** (345) 949-8600

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#### Freedom of Information

The Health Services Authority is committed to openness in regard to the information held within the Authority as required by the Freedom of Information Law 2007.

This document is the Health Services Authority's publication scheme, developed in compliance with Section 5 of the FOI Law.

#### **FOI Contact Information**

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#### **Obtaining Hard Copies**

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#### **Organisation and functions**

# What the Health Services Authority does

The mission of the Cayman Islands Health Services Authority, the primary provider of high quality healthcare, is to optimize the wellness of all people in our islands, by delivering

accessible, cost-effective, patient-focused care through visionary leadership, operational efficiency and compassionate staff.

The Health Services Authority provides care through the 124-bed Cayman Islands Hospital (104 inpatient and 12 observation beds) and the 18-bed Faith Hospital on Cayman Brac. Ancillary services are offered at district health centres, and clinics for dental and eye care.

The Health Services Authority comprises the following sections:

- The Board of Directors
- Administration
- Human Resources
- Finance
- Facilities Management
- Forensics
- Mental Health
- Information Systems
- Materials Management
- Medical Records
- Overseas Referral
- Physiotherapy
- Public Health Administration
- Radiology
- Nursing Administration
- Ambulance
- Accident & Emergency
- Operating Theatre
- Hospital Wards
- Specialist Services
- Cardiology
- Dietary Services
- Dialysis Service
- District Health Centres
- Dental Services
- Hyperbaric Chamber
- Information Systems
- Laboratory
- Patient Services
- Physician Services
- Procurement
- & Purchasing
- Pharmacy
- Ophthalmology Services
- Faith Hospital, Cayman Brac
- Housekeeping
- General Practice
- Nursing School
- Little Cayman Clinic

Location and hours	Matters handled
George Town Administration: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. weekdays Specialist Clinics: 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. weekdays & 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Saturdays (Paediatric & Visiting Specialists only) General Practice: 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. weekdays and 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays Accident & Emergency: 24 hours  Visiting Hours: 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., with the exception of Paediatrics - 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Administration includes Human Resources, Finance, CEO's office, Public Relations, Senior Managers offices, FOI Office, Medical Records, Nursing School, Nursing Administration, IT.  Specialist Clinics provides outpatient care with Specialist physicians.  General Practice provides outpatient care with General Practitioners.  Accident & Emergency provides all emergency patient care.
Faith Hospital Stake Bay, Cayman Brac Open 24 hours	Administration, General Practice, Accident & Emergency and Pharmacy Services
District Clinics West Bay: M,T, Th, F -9:00 am-4:00 pm Wed. 9:00 am-8:00 pm Bodden Town: M, Th-5:00 pm-8:00 pm Wed, Fri, 9:00 a.m 1:00 p.m. East End: Mon - 2:00-4:00 p.m., Thurs 9:00 a.m 1:00 p.m. North Side: Tues. 9:00 a.m 1:00 p.m., Fri 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Prison: M,T, Thu 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	General Practice and outpatient services
Dental Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Saturdays Public Holidays (closed)	Routine Dental and emergency dental care provided.
Pharmacy Hours: Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 p.m. Saturdays/Sundays: 8:00 a.m. – 7:30	Fills prescriptions written by HSA physicians.

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# **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Board of Directors	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
CINICO Agreement Meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Finance Sub-Committee meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Facilities Sub-Committee	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
HR Committee	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
IT Sub-Committee	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Risk Management	Quarterly	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Maternity/NICU Perinatal Meeting/Review	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Maternity/NICU Staff meeting	Up to 3 times monthly	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Accident & Emergency Staff meeting	Quarterly or as needed	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Dialysis Unit Staff meeting	Quarterly or as needed	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Ambulatory Care Unit Staff Meeting	Quarterly or as needed	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Facilities Management Committee Meeting	Twice per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Maintenance staff meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Facilities Management Supervisors meeting	Twice per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Security staff meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Housekeeping staff meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Medical Unit staff meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Surgical Unit staff meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Nurse Managers meeting	Twice per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Paediatric Unit staff	Once per month	Access through Freedom of

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Forensic Dept. Team meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Forensic Dept. Quality meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Specialist Clinic staff meeting	Quarterly	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Physician Services Clinical Practice meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Operating Room Committee meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Medical Staff meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Senior Managers meeting	Twice per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Section Managers meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Physician Services Ethics Committee Meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Infection Control Committee	Once per quarter	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Staff Welfare Committee meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Patient Complaints Committee	Once per week	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Radiology General Staff meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Radiology Management meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Radiology Front office staff meeting	As necessary	Access through Freedom of Information Office
General Practitioners Meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Flu Response Team Meeting	Once per week	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Communicable Disease Surveillance meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Public Health Clinic Staff Meeting	Once per quarter	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Immunization Programme Committee meeting	Once per year	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Finance Staff meeting	As necessary	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Laboratory Staff meeting	As necessary	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Pharmacy Drugs & Therapeutics	Every other month	Access through Freedom of Information Office

Committee		
Pharmacy Staff meeting	Once per quarter	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Health Information Management staff meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Health Information Management Coding staff meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Health Information management And Coding meeting	Quarterly	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Staff Welfare Association Membership meeting	Annually	Access through Freedom of Information Office
Dental staff meeting	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office
HR Training Committee	Once per month	Access through Freedom of Information Office

# Frequently asked questions

#### • What medical facilities are available on the islands?

Yes. There are modern, well equipped Hospitals and General Practice services available to Residents and Visitors to the islands. These services are offered by both the Public and Private Health Care providers on the islands. Care is offered mainly at the primary and secondary level of care. Major cases such as multiple trauma, cardiac or neurology and other complex problems are normally stabilized and transferred overseas for further management. HSA works closely with private practitioners and other agencies to ensure adequate coverage for most concerns.

- Will the Health Services accept overseas Health Insurance coverage? No, but we do accept major credit cards and Insurance from Insurance Carriers on the island. If patients need admission we would require a sufficient deposit to cover the anticipated cost of the proposed care. We recommend persons traveling from their normal place of residence, acquire additional Health Insurance coverage, which would be acceptable to an overseas institution, such as insurance coverage from American Express.
- Will Health Care institutions assist patients needing to obtain care off the islands?

Our institutions have a patient care service, which will assist the patient in making the necessary arrangement for an overseas transfer. Caymanian's requiring overseas care are normally referred to Baptist Hospital in Miami. Self-paying patients will be assisted to the institution of their choice. Emergency patients are normally flown off the island by an Air Ambulance.

 Are there facilities in the hospital where family members may stay with their relatives if they so desire? No, however, depending on the seriousness of the patient's condition and the unit involved in the care of the patient, arrangements can be made as deemed necessary for the relatives to remain in the room.

# How do I make an appointment to see a Doctor at the hospital?

Appointments can be made 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM daily at the Specialist Clinic and the General Practice service. Please call the appointment clerk @244-2530 and 244-2800 respectively, or come in person to the hospital. Please note that appointments with the Specialists are normally done by a referral from another doctor.

# Is there a procedure for handling complaints within the service?

All HSA services welcome constructive concerns or suggestions from the public to enable us to improve our services. You may contact our Patient Services Representative at 244-2820 or 244-2508 daily. There is a Nursing Supervisor on duty around the clock who may be contacted for any problems or concerns. Please request for him/her to be contacted by any hospital worker, or you could page him/her by dialing 948-6478 if you are out of the hospital.

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

#### Governance

The Health Services Authority's Strategic Plan outlines the key strategic goals and objectives for The Health Services Authority for the financial year.

# Documents:

- Strategic Plan
- Governing legislation and regulations

In relation to Health Services Authority matters, the responsibilities and functioning of the Authority are defined in the Health Services Authority Law. In addition, the following laws also guide the work of the Health Services Authority. These are available from our website www.hsa.ky:

- Health Services Authority Law, 2009
- Health Services Fees Law,2008
- Health Insurance Law, 2009
- Health Practice Law. 2004
- Mental Health Law

- Pharmacy Law, 1991
- Prescription Law
- Public Health Law, 2002
- Freedom of Information Law, 2007
- Freedom of Information (General) Regulations, 2008

## **Corporate management**

#### Documents:

- Annual Financial reports available on www.gov.ky
- Audit reports available on www.gov.ky
- Statistics
  - Vital Statistics –births "teenage mothers" as a proportion of all live births, all mothers.
  - Deaths "Infant Mortality Rates" and "Deaths by Resident Status"
  - Core Health Data "Selected hospital and Public Health Data"
  - Statistical Compendium "HSA Annual summary of activities"

# Disaster Preparedness:

- HSA Disaster Preparedness Plan
- HSA Hurricane Plan 2009

## FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

# Financial management

- Annual budget available on www.gov.ky
- List of open tenders and recently awarded tenders

#### Administration

**Press Releases** – All press releases are shown on our website – http://www.hsa.ky under "News and Media".

**Human Recources** – Job Application Form and Vacancies are shown on our website – www.hsa.ky. The Human Resources Management Policies and Procedures Manuals specifies human resource policies and applying to staff of the HSA; and establishes the procedures to be used in managing human resource and personnel matter relating to HSA staff.

- Human Resources Management Polices and Procedures Manual
- HSA Current Pay Scale & Position Bands
- HSA Draft File Plan

**Training** - Information on Medical Conferences and Nursing Conferences held in Grand Cayman is available on our website – www.hsa.ky. In addition, you will find information on the Health Services Authority School of Nursing, including course descriptions.

Parentcraft 2009 Calendar

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

 All HSA Policies and Procedures – (covering all departments within the organisation) – List attached at <u>APPENDIX</u>

#### Lists

FOI disclosure log – available at www.hsa.ky

#### **OUR SERVICES**

Our full range of comprehensive inpatient and outpatient services are designed to meet the needs of patient surgeries, seriously ill patients, urgent medical care, general medical conditions, community health, dental and eye health, support for mental health issues, sick children, mothers expecting a new baby and much more. Our services are tailored to meet each patient's individual needs and goals.

These are also available on our website – www.hsa.ky:

- Inpatient Services information; Ambulatory Care/Oncology, Critical Care Unit, Maternity, Medical Unit, Mental Health, Neonatal Intensive Care, Nutrition Services, Operating Theatre, Paediatrics and Surgical Unit.
- Outpatient Services information; Ambulance Services, Accident & Emergency, Community/Public Health Services, Dialysis Unit, Dental Services, Eye Clinic, General Practice, Laboratory Services, Nutrition Services, Physiotherapy, Pharmacy, Radiology, Recompression Chamber, Specialist Clinics, Women's Health.
- Medical Treatment Overseas information; The referral process, insurance coverage, preparing for travel, preparing to return to Cayman, returning to Cayman, Points to remember.
- **Newsletter** HSA News and information.

# **Health Services Authority APPENDIX**

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**Public Relations Employee Farewell** Administration

Administration **Public Relations** Fund Raising / Donations

Administration Public Relations **Guest Relations** 

**Public Relations** Information Boards - Posting Instructions Administration

Administration **Public Relations** Media Information Policy Administration **Public Relations** Press Release Policy Administration Public Relations **Public Relations** 

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Clinical Support Services	Patient Dietary Services and Nutrition	Purchasing of Food
Clinical Support Services	Patient Dietary Services and Nutrition	Receiving of Food
Clinical Support Services	Patient Dietary Services and Nutrition	Safe Food Handling – Employee Eating & Drinking in Workplace
Clinical Support Services	Patient Dietary Services and Nutrition	Safe Food Handling – Employee Health & Personal Hygiene
Clinical Support Services	Patient Dietary Services and Nutrition	Safe Food Handling – Facility and Equipment
Clinical Support Services	Patient Dietary Services and Nutrition	Safe Food Handling – Food Distribution
Clinical Support Services	Patient Dietary Services and Nutrition	Safe Food Handling – Food Preparation
Clinical Support Services	Patient Dietary Services and Nutrition	Safe Food Handling – General
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Clinical Support Services	Pharmacy	General Rules for Dispensing
Clinical Support Services	Pharmacy	Outpatient Dispensing
Clinical Support Services	Pharmacy	Patients' Own Medication for Inpatient Use and Pharmacist Verification
Clinical Support Services	Pharmacy	Policy for Transferred Prescriptions
Clinical Support Services	Pharmacy	Standard Protocol for Refilling Prescriptions
Clinical Support Services	Pharmacy	Tranferring Refills from District Clinics to Hospital Pharmacy
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Facilities Management	Laundry and Housekeeping	Pediculosis and Scabies
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Public Health	General Public Health Policies	Programme Document for Child Health
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Public Health	Immunization	Immunization Defaulters Policy
Public Health	Immunization	National Immunization Registry DRAFT
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# **Publication Scheme**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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P.O Box 10007 Grand Cayman KY1-1001 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See *section 4: Fees and charges* for further details.)

## Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Simon Miller on (345) 949-9000 or at foi@ndc.ky.

The National Drug Council will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

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Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications which the National Drug Council offers for sale. This includes: Policy and Procedure Manual and National Anti-Drug Strategy. These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

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The National Drug Council will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the National Drug Council has received your payment.

# 5. Request for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the National Drug Council that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

As a statutory body set up under the National Drug Council Law1997, the National Drug Council is committed to openness, transparency and serving the public interest in compliance with the Freedom of Information Law, 2007. This Law was implemented on 05 January, 2009 and gives the public a right of access to all types of records held by public authorities but also sets out some exemptions from that right.

If you would like to request information from the National Drug Council, you should first visit our website (www.ndc.ky) to see if the information you seek has already been published.

# Submitting a request

If you wish to make a request for information then you should contact the Information Manager either via mail, facsimile or email (see below contact information for either). Additionally, a request can be made by visiting the National Drug council and filling out the FOI Request form (available at the Receptionist desk).

## **Information Manager**

Simon Miller

#### **Address**

#17 & 18 Caymanian Village, Grand Cayman,

#### **Mailing Address**

P.O Box 10007 Grand Cayman, KY1-1001 Cayman Islands

## **Telephone**

Ph: (345) 949-9000 Fax: (345) 949-6264 Email: foi@ndc.ky

#### How to make a request

Your FOI request must:

- Be in writing (letter, email or facsimile)
- Include your name and an address (either postal or e-mail)
- Where possible, include a contact telephone number
- Be as specific as possible about the information you are seeking (this will help us to respond promptly to your request)

#### 6. Complaints

The National Drug Council aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Simon Miller on (345) 949-9000 or at foi@ndc.ky, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained via email: foi@ndc.ky or in writing:

P.O Box 10007 Grand Cayman KY1-1001 Cayman Islands.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

#### 7. Categories of information

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#### **ABOUT US**

#### Name of public authority

National Drug Council

#### **Ministry**

Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports & Culture

## Principal Officer [or Key staff]

Joan West-Dacres Executive Director (345) 949-9000 jwest-dacres@ndc.ky

#### Information manager

Simon Miller Information Manager (345) 949-9000 simonmiller@ndc.ky www.foi.gov.ky

Luisa McLaughlin Information Manager Designate (345) 949-9000 Imclaughlin@ndc.ky www.foi.gov.ky

#### **Organisation and functions**

The National Drug Council (NDC) is an independent statutory body set up under the National Drug Council Law, 1997 to co-ordinate anti-drug measures in the Cayman Islands. The National Drug Council consists of 13 council members and an office which serves as the secretariat.

#### **Functions**

- To keep under review the situation in the islands with respect to the abuse of drugs.
- To formulate and develop drug prevention and rehabilitation policies and programmes.
- To advise the Minister on drug prevention and rehabilitation policies and programmes; the licensing and operation of treatment and rehabilitation centres; drug supply control measures; and law reform relating to the misuse of drugs.
- To educate the public, particularly the young, on the dangers of drug abuse, and to initiate, sponsor and support conferences, seminars, and meetings related to drug abuse.
- To promote and support training in the field of Drug Abuse Prevention and Rehabilitation.
- To promote and encourage the establishment of a system to coordinate the treatment and rehabilitation of drug abusers and the care of persons associated with drug abusers.
- To establish and operate treatment centres.
- To conduct research into, and develop and maintain a database of information on drug abuse in the islands.

National Drug Council Unit's #17 and #18 Caymanian Village PO Box 10007 Grand Cayman KY1-1001 CAYMAN ISLANDS Ph: (345) 949-9000 Fax: (345) 949-6264 Email: info@ndc.ky Website: www.ndc.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
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#### **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
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## Frequently asked questions

## Who are the Board (Council Members) Members of the National Drug Council?

Mrs. Dorothy Scott-Crumbley - Chair of Council

Mr. Rayle Roberts - Vice-Chair of Council

Mrs. Jennifer Ahearn - Ex-Officio, Ministry of H,E, Y, S & C

Mrs. Dorrine Whittaker - Ex-Officio, Ministry of CA, G & H

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Mr. Carson Ebanks - Ex-Officio, Minister of Finance (Rep)

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## Mr. Mark Tibbetts Member - CB Representative

## Who is the Staff of the National Drug Council?

Joan West-Dacres - Executive Director Simon C. Miller - Prevention Officer Luisa McLaughlin - Research and Information Officer Kimberlee McLean - Administrative Finance Officer Ruby McLaughlin - Administrative Assistant

What are the lines of authority and responsibility of the National Drug Council?

## **Organisational Chart** National Drug Council (Board Members) Sub-committees of the Board **Executive Director** Research and **Prevention** Information Officer Officer (Acts in the absence of ED) Administrative/ **Finance Officer** Receptionist/ Secretary

## What is the salary of the staff of the National Drug Council?

Salary Scale 2008/9

Alpha	Incremental	Annual Salary	Monthly Salary	Monthly Basic	Monthly
Code	Differential 2.5%	including 5% Pension		Salary	Pension
	1	72,984	6,082	5,778	30
	2	74,796	6,233	5,921	31
	3	76,680	6,390	6,071	32
	4	78,600	6,550	6,223	32
Α	5	80,556	6,713	6,377	33
	6	82,572	6,881	6,537	34
	7	84,624	7,052	6,699	35
	8	86,748	7,229	6,868	36
	9	88,920	7,410	7,040	37
	1	62,760	5,230	4,969	26
	2	64,332	5,230	4,969	26
	3	65,940	5,361	5,093	26
В	4	67,596	5,495	5,220	27
	5	69,276	5,633	5,351	28
	6	71,016	5,918	5,622	29
	7	72,280	6,023	5,722	30
	1				22
	1 2	53,412	4,451	4,228	
		54,744	4,562	4,334	22
_	3	56,112	4,676	4,442	23
С		57,504	4,792	4,552	24
	5	58,944	4,912	4,666	24
	6	60,420	5,035	4,783	25
	7	61,944	5,162	4,904	25
	8	63,468	5,289	5,025	26
	1	45,840	3,820	3,629	19
	2	46,992	3,916	3,720	19
	3	47,520	3,960	3,762	19
D	4	48,888	4,074	3,870	20
	5	49,944	4,162	3,954	20
	6	51,192	4,266	4,053	21
	7	52,464	4,372	4,153	21
	8	53,772	4,481	4,257	22
	1	38,196	3,183	3,024	15
	2	39,144	3,262	3,099	16
	3	40,140	3,345	3,178	16
E	4	41,124	3,427	3,256	17
	5	42,564	3,547	3,370	17
	6	43,632	3,636	3,454	18
	7	44,712	3,726	3,540	18
	1	31,272	2,606	2,476	13
	2	32,076	2,673	2,539	13
	3	32,880	2,740	2,603	13
F	4	33,672	2,806	2,666	14
•	5	34,524	2,877	2,733	14
	6	35,364	2,947	2,800	14
	7	36,252	3,021	2,870	15
	8	37,164	3,097	2,942	15

<u>S</u>
<u>A Scale</u>
National Drugs Co-ordinator/ **Executive Director** 

C Scale

Prevention Specialist Research Officer

D Scale

Administrative Finance Officer

F Scale

Administrative Personnel

The above information can also be found on our website. http://www.ndc.ky/file/resource/misc/quick\_faqs\_about\_the\_ndc.pdf

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

#### Governance

The National Drug Council Law (2003 Revision) – All persons seeking copies of the Law should contact the Legislative Assembly at:

#### **Address**

Legislative Assembly, 33 Fort Street, George Town, Grand Cayman

## **Mailing Address**

Box 890, Grand Cayman KY1-1103, CAYMAN ISLANDS

**Telephone** (345) 949-4236 **Fax** (345) 949-9514

National Anti-Drug Strategy 2009-2013 – Available online. A Hard copy of this document can be requested from the National Drug Council for a fee.

The National Anti-Drug Strategy 2009-2013 is the blueprint for the Cayman Islands' response to the misuse and abuse of both illicit and illegal drugs, including alcohol, tobacco and prescription drugs.

#### **Corporate management**

NDC Annual Reports - Available online. Hard copies of these documents can be requested from the National Drug Council.

NDC Disaster Plan - Request in writing. A hard copy of this document can be requested from the National Drug Council.

This plan addresses the NDC response to disaster conditions related to the impact of disasters including hurricanes, severe storms, fires and floods. The second element of the plan includes the preservation of records and procedures to safeguard government's `Vital Records'.

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

#### Financial management

Ownership Agreement – Request in writing. Hard copies of these documents can be requested from the National Drug Council.

The Ownership Agreement documents the ownership performance that the Cabinet and the Board of National Drug Council have agreed that National Drug Council will seek to achieve during the financial year.

Purchase Agreement - Request in writing. Hard copies of these documents can be requested from the National Drug Council.

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Quarterly Invoices - Request in writing. Hard copies of these documents can be requested from the National Drug Council.

Quarterly Invoices are billed to Government for services rendered for the quarter as agreed by the Purchase Agreement for that fiscal year.

#### Administration

Press releases - Available online. Hard copies of these documents can be requested from the National Drug Council.

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

NDC - Policy and Procedure Manual - Request in writing. A hard copy of this document can be requested from the National Drug Council for a fee.

This manual provides clear policies and procedures for the operations of the NDC Secretariat (office) and its employees.

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Minutes of Council meetings - Request in writing. Hard copies of these documents can be requested from the National Drug Council.

NDC - Performance Agreement and Assessment - Request in writing. Hard copies of these documents can be requested from the National Drug Council.

This Performance Agreement details the performance to be achieved by the staff member concerned during the financial year. The purpose of the document is to ensure that the performance expected is clearly understood and agreed to by both parties to the agreement: the staff member and the manager to whom the staff member reports.

#### **LISTS & REGISTERS**

Asset register - Request in writing. A hard copy of this document can be requested from the National Drug Council.

#### **OUR SERVICES**

About us - Available online. www.ndc.ky/about.html

## **Mission**

To formulate, coordinate, monitor and evaluate the implementation of the National Anti-Drug Strategic Plan based on proactive, creative and research driven strategies in collaboration with public and private sector organisations and in accordance with the provisions of the NDC Law.

## Goal

To have the resident population of the Cayman Islands, free from all drug, alcohol and other substance abuse/misuse and their ill-effects.

Staff - Available online. http://www.ndc.ky/about.html

**Executive Director – Joan West-Dacres'** role includes responsibility for the day-to-day operations of the NDC's Office.

She initiates and maintains contact with all designated community organisations as a representative of the NDC, resulting in increased understanding of and support for the NDC mission.

She encourages and initiates contact with and exchanges of up-to-date information between local, regional and international organisations.

**Administrative Assistant - Ruby McLaughlin** provides secretarial support to the Office of the NDC. She is responsible for file management and conducts searches and retrieves records as necessary.

In collaboration with the Administrative Finance Officer, she ensures that all the accounts are paid in a timely manner and assists with the preparations for Council meetings each month.

**Prevention Officer – Simon Miller's** role includes the provision of prevention, education and training services to schools, community groups, business and industry, parents, local government and the recovery community in both private and public agencies and organisations.

This is combined with the development, design and implementation of specific interventions with partner and stakeholder agencies and through coordination of the dissemination of prevention education information to key leaders, schools, youth service providers, and the public.

**Luisa McLaughlin** is primarily responsible for establishing and maintaining a database consisting of substance abuse indicators intended to keep under the review the situation with respect to drug abuse in the Islands, interfacing with field operators and the wider community; collecting and analysing data collected from reliable sources; and documenting results.

She implements specific research initiatives of NDC, facilitates access to information by assisting members of the public to formalise their request requirements.

**Kimberlee McLean's** role is the preparation of and implementation of the NDC's annual budgetary processes. She is responsible for ensuring that the office and financial records management systems are effectively coordinated in accordance with established policies and procedures under the guidance of the Finance Review Committee.

She is also responsible for assisting in Council duties and facilitating the efficient flow of HR processes.

Campaigns - Available online. www.ndc.ky/media.html.

The National Drug Council provides ongoing information to the public with the aim of bringing greater awareness to issues related to substance abuse and its ill-effects, and to prevent or reduce the harm associated with substance misuse and abuse.

- National Inhalants & Poisons Awareness Week
- Alcohol Awareness Month
- World No Tobacco Day
- International Day Against Drugs
- National Recovery Month
- Designated Driver Campaign

Monitoring/Research – Available online. www.ndc.ky/research.html. Hard copies of these documents can be requested from the National Drug Council.

The Cayman Islands Student Drug Use Survey (CISDUS) describes the extent and patterns of alcohol and other drug use among students in grades 7-12 across the Cayman Islands.

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The National Drug Information Network (NDIN) is a group of people who, represent either themselves or an agency, and collect, analyse and disseminate information on drugs for the purpose of monitoring trends, developing policies, and implementing appropriate programmes and responses to assist those persons impacted by substance use, misuse and abuse in our communities.

#### Prevention – Training/Courses/Presentations

The National Drug Council provides prevention training, courses, presentations and speaking engagements at community and school events on the harmful effects of alcohol and other drugs on the individual and the community.

**NDC Brochures** - Available online. www.ndc.ky/resources.html. Hard copies of these documents can be requested from the National Drug Council.

- Together we can talk about Alcohol: A guide for parents.
- Marijuana / Ganja Info for Parents

- Truth about Marijuana: Get the Facts about Marijuana
- Truth about Alcohol: Get the Facts about Alcohol

Volunteer Sheet – Available online www.ndc.ky/file/resource/resource/Volunteer\_Sheet.pdf. A hard copy of this document can be requested from the National Drug Council.

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# Cayman Islands National Insurance Company (CINICO)

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#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at <a href="mailto:foi.cin@cinico.ky">foi.cin@cinico.ky</a> to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

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#### Post

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## 6. Complaints

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You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 P.O. Box 1375 George Town, Grand Cayman Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS 1-345-747-5402

email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
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## **ABOUT US**

Cayman Islands National Insurance Company (CINICO)

## **Ministry**

Health, Environment, Youth, Sports & Culture

#### **Chief Officer**

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## **Organisation and functions**

Cayman Islands National Insurance Company (CINICO) was formed in 2003 as a government-owned insurance company that provides health insurance to the civil servant population, their eligible dependents, Seamans & Veterans, and residents that have difficulty in obtaining health insurance coverage through their employer or the private insurance market that are categorized as low income, health impaired, or elderly. In addition we also provide administrative services for Indigent and Advanced patients

Our goal is to deliver affordable healthcare coverage on the most cost effective basis possible from a stable source of primary health insurance provided by a company operated wholly in accordance with sound business and actuarial principles.

#### CINICO

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<b>Location and hours</b>	Matters handled
CINICO Cayman Centre, Airport Road  1 <sup>st</sup> Floor George Town, Grand Cayman Monday to Friday 9:00am to 4:30pm (345) 949-8101 (345) 949-8226 www.cinico.ky	All employee functions & responsibilities are performed at the only office location. They include administrative & operational concerns, overseas patient referrals, member eligibility & benefit administration & verification, member claims management, marketing & public relations activities

## **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
CINICO Board of Directors  Mr. Scott Cummings – Chairman Mr. Seamus Tivnan – Deputy Chairman Dr. Ruth Pomares – member Mr. Armando Ebanks – member Mr. Godfrey McClain – member Mr. Carl Brown – member Mrs. Darlee Ebanks – member Mrs. Jennifer Ahearn – Chief officer, Ministry of Health	Monthly meetings and is not open to the public	Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by making an FOI request to the FOI Manager by fax 345-949-822 or mfrye@cinico.ky foi.cin@cinico.ky
Risk & Appeals Committee  Carole Appleyard – Chairperson Dr. Ruth Pomares – member Dr. Gerald Smith – member Dr. John Vlitos – member	Monthly meetings and is not open to the public	Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by making an FOI request to the FOI Manager by fax 345-949-822 or <a href="mailto:mfrye@cinico.ky">mfrye@cinico.ky</a> foi.cin@cinico.ky
Finance Committee  Seamus Tivan - Chairperson Frank Gallippi - CFO CINICO Carol Cooper - CFO, Ministry of Health	Meetings every 3 months and is not open to the public	Minutes are only available in hard copy and can be obtained by making an FOI request to the FOI Manager by fax 345-949-822 or <a href="mailto:mfrye@cinico.ky">mfrye@cinico.ky</a> foi.cin@cinico.ky

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Who is CINICO?

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#### Can I visit any Doctor or Hospital?

No. Without a Chief Medical Officer (CMO) referral from Health Services Authority (HSA), you can only use services provided by the HSA. This would include the George Town Hospital, the District Clinics, and Faith Hospital on Cayman Brac.

#### How are my services covered if I use an HSA provider?

All medically necessary services, up to policy limitations, are covered in full as long as HSA providers perform care.

## If my HSA provider wants to refer me to a private practice provider within the Cayman Islands, will I be covered?

Yes, if the Cayman Island's Chief Medical Officer (CMO) determines it necessary.

#### What happens if I go directly to a non-HSA provider without CMO approval?

If you elect to see a non-HSA provider, the services will be at your own expense.

#### What is a Case Management Co-ordinator?

CINICO has contracted with overseas Third Party Administrators (TPA) who provides Case Management Co-ordinators that work in conjunction with the HSA to determine the most appropriate treatment for you and your family.

#### Why does CINICO have a Case Management Co-ordinator?

The Case Management Co-ordinators have access to hundreds of hospitals and thousands of physicians in the United States. Not only does the Case Management Co-ordinator assist a patient in coping with the financial burden of being overseas, but they also negotiate preferred rates at overseas facilities. In some instances, the Case Management Co-ordinator works with the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of the HSA to determine if a referral is appropriate.

#### How does a Case Management Co-ordinator work?

After reviewing the information submitted by your physician, the Case Management Coordinator determines the need to access non-HSA care. For example, if the medically necessary specialty services are not available through the HSA, the Case Management Coordinator will approve off island care at an appropriate medical facility. The telephone number for the Case Management Co-ordinator will be on the back of your CINICO I.D. Card.

# How are benefits paid if I require emergency treatment and I cannot be treated at a HSA hospital or HSA physician?

Life threatening emergencies/sudden and serious onset of illness will be covered in full. Please call the CINICO Care Coordinator before, during or within 48 hours of the emergency visit to acquire a Care Coordinator approved referral.

Non life threatening emergencies without CINICO Case Management Co-coordinator referral will NOT be covered.

## What do I do in an emergency?

A medical emergency means a sudden onset of a condition with acute symptoms requiring immediate medical care and includes such conditions as heart attacks, cardiovascular accidents, poisonings, loss of consciousness or respiration, convulsions or other such acute medical conditions. Use appropriate judgment and go to the hospital emergency room! Emergencies both on island and off island will be treated the same way.

#### What happens if I am travelling outside the Cayman Islands?

If you travel to the United States, you will be covered subject to the CINICO Case Management Co-ordinator approval.

- In the United States, you can take advantage of CINICO's US based network of preferred providers. You can call the TOLL FREE NETWORK HOTLINE listed on the back of your CINICO health insurance benefit card. Remember, off island care must be approved by the CINICO Case Management Co-ordinator.
- Outside the Cayman Islands or United States, medical care is also covered. However, you will be required to pay the charge in full and then submit a claim to CINICO for reimbursement.

Note: non-emergency services not approved by CINICO Case Management Co-ordinator will not be covered.

#### What is the definition of a child?

A child, as defined under the Health Insurance Law (2003 Revision), means a person who is:

- Under 18 years of age; or
- Over 18 and under 23 years of age and a full-time student at a University or other educational institution.

#### My child is full time student in the United States. Is my child covered?

The only services covered would be for a life-threatening emergency/sudden and serious onset of illness. All other services must be provided by the Health Services Authority in order to be covered under the plan. You will want to schedule routine check-ups with HSA while your child is home during school breaks and holidays.

If your child sees a provider in the United States, for a non-life threatening condition, the cost will be your responsibility.

#### Is SHIC coverage only available to Caymanians?

No, all legal residents of the Cayman Islands who can provide evidence that they satisfy the eligibility criteria may obtain coverage from CINICO.

#### What is a SHIC Open Enrolment Window?

The Open enrolment Window is a period which a person can enroll into the CINICO SHIC Health Insurance Plan. There will be public announcements when these windows are available.

#### Why is there an Enrolment Window?

Basically, it is an underwriting control put in place in order for CINICO to provide for the most cost-effective and extensive benefits possible without subjecting the elderly and health impaired participant to pre-existing condition exclusions, and without subjecting low-income participants to high premiums.

#### What SHIC benefits will I receive?

Benefits are defined under the Health Insurance Law (2003 Revision) as SHIC Plan 1 and SHIC Plan 2. CINICO benefits are exactly the same as those defined within the Health Insurance Law (2003 Revision). See Benefits Covered page for SHIC Benefit Fee Schedules. The Participant will initially only be able to choose benefits for SHIC Plan 1 (a.k.a. Standard Health Insurance Contract #1.)

#### Will I be able to switch to better Health Coverage later on?

CINICO recognizes that the benefits provided under SHIC 1 may not be adequate for everyone. Therefore, once a Participant is enrolled in SHIC 1 for 12 continuous months, the Participant can apply at the next Enrolment Window for consideration to participate in SHIC 2. However, this election is available one time only, irrevocable and no future changes will be allowed.

## Will I be subject to pre-existing condition limitations?

With the exception of low-income participants, the CINICO program provides coverage for all conditions, subject to plan limitations. If you currently have a medical condition, services for that condition will not be excluded from the plan.

For low-income participants, pre-existing conditions of 24 months (as defined under the Health Insurance Law [2003 Revision]) will be excluded.

## When is my SHIC premium due?

Premiums are due in advance of the first day of that month's coverage.

#### What happens if I don't pay my premium on time?

If you fail to pay premiums within 45 days of the due date, your policy will be terminated and you will NEVER be eligible for re-enrolment under any condition.

## What evidence do I need to provide in order to prove I am eligible as an SHIC Elderly Participant?

You will need to complete an enrolment form and return it with photographic evidence of birth (e.g. Passport or Drivers License).

## What evidence do I need to provide in order to prove I am eligible as a SHIC Health Impaired Participant?

You will need to complete an enrolment form and return it within 60 days of being rejected by one insurance company classified as "Approved Providers" under the Health Insurance Law (2003 Revision). You must also provide copies of the letter of rejection with the enrolment form.

## What evidence do I need to provide in order to prove I am eligible as a SHIC Low-Income Participant?

You will need to complete an enrolment form and return it with evidence from both your Employer AND your spouse's Employer, of your annual salaries. CINICO will then make a determination as to whether you have a combined family income of less than CI\$30,000.

#### Are vaccinations a CINICO covered benefit?

The benefit is limited to children over the age of 6 and adults.

Vaccinations are provided free for resident children of the Cayman Islands up until their sixth birthday at the H.S.A. Hospital Public Health Department.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

CINICO's strategic business plan encompasses local repatriation of presently outsourced claims adjudication/reimbursement service provision and the expansion of in-house expertise in the areas of claims management and case management through the pursuit of the lease or purchase of a claims adjudication system in addition to the transition of CINICO case management from present commercially outsourced position. We are able to accomplish this by the development/establishment of CINICO's own exclusive provider networks locally and overseas which are secured and ready to implement once approved by the Board of Directors. The effects on costs to the Company and the Cayman Islands Government will be overall reduction in overseas care referrals due to medical staffing shortages at the CIHSA. This can be achieved with the telemedicine approach and peer review network and the peer-to-peer CINICO direct referral system in lieu of commercial third party "pay to play" access fees, monthly maintenance fees and percentage of savings fees. Additionally, the CINICO proprietary network is built upon all inclusive case rates structure which effect best financial outcomes and deliver ease of claims adjudication and reimbursement administration functions. These efforts would continue to improve our relationship with our reinsurer and lower our premium rates into the future. CINICO looks forward to commencing rollout of various components of this plan in the 20010/11 fiscal year.

On the local Cayman Islands provider network, we proudly report that during the previous six months we have been working on the development of an on-line eligibility and claims access portal (HealthX) for our local provider network/membership to be able to log into 24/7 and 365 days a year in order to better serve our membership and local provider network around the clock in matters of checking their eligibility for healthcare benefits and checking on reimbursement claims due to them. CINICO tested this enhanced service on the local vision providers whose feedback was 100% improvement and satisfaction in the provision of this enhanced service. Health-X is now ready to roll out to our 13,000 membership after a successful test period and it will be launched at the beginning of 2011.

It is CINICO Senior Management's intent to continue to progress with strategic objectives and goals which enhance Company operations and cost effective delivery of all aspects of benchmark of excellence proven leadership in controlling spiralling healthcare costs and in continual provision of enhanced service delivery of the overall healthcare member healthcare plans on behalf of, and in partnership with, the Company shareholder, our most valued membership and provider networks.

## **STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT (continued)**

#### Governance

Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2005 Revision)
Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
National Pensions Law (2000 Revision) and Regulations
National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
Labour Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
Freedom of Information Law 2007
The Companies Commission Law 2004 Revision
Companies Commission Law 2006 Revision
Immigration Law (2006 revision) and Regulations
Workman's Compensation Law (1996 Revision)
Freedom of Information Regulations 2008

## **Corporate Management \***

CIMA Business plan

Annual Reports

Audit reports on overall operations

Statistics\*\*

Risk Management assessments

Disaster Plan and Recovery

<sup>\*</sup> Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

<sup>\*\*</sup> Specialized reports can be created to collate specific information when necessary

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering CINICO'S internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

## Financial management \*

Accounting: accounts payable, accounts receivable, banking, Ledgers & Journals, Revenue &

Revenue Collection

Acquisition: asset register, contracts, tendering exercises

Auditing; internal audit, external audit

Budgeting: annual ownership agreement, purchase agreement

Remuneration: director fees

Reporting & Analysis: monthly/half year/annual reports, monthly expense variance analysis, monthly review of underwriting income to budget, annual & quarterly reserve analysis, Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (CIMA) quarterly & annual return

Annual Budget

List of current tenders and contracts

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#### **Administration \***

CINICO Policy & Procedures

Staff pay

Employee Health Insurance

Employee Pension

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## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES \***

Current written protocols used by the authority for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services.

CINICO Policy & Procedures manual

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## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS \***

Board meeting Minutes of meetings Committee meetings Minutes of meetings

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## **REGISTERS** \*

General Companies

CINICO Member

Asset

Medical Provider

Client

Vender

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## **LIST of Forms Used (external)**

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Microsoft Word Document	SHIC Enrolment Eligibility – Elderly, Health Impaired, Low Income
Microsoft Word Document	Enrolment Eligibility – Government Entities
Microsoft Word Document	Enrolment Eligibility – Seaman & Veterans
Microsoft Word Document	Civil Servant Change of Circumstance
Microsoft Word Document	Government Entities Change of Information
Microsoft Word Document	SHIC Member Change of Information
Microsoft Word Document	Health Questionnaire – Health Impaired
Microsoft Word Document	Application for Direct Deposit
Health Insurance Claim	Health Insurance Claim Form
Request for replacement of member card	Request for replacement of member card Form
Microsoft Word Microsoft Word Microsoft Word Document Document Document	SHIC Member Enrolment packages (Elderly, Health Impaired, Plan 1 Low Income, Plan 2 Low Income)

## **Brochures**

Microsoft Word	Standard Health Insurance
Document	(SHIC) Plan 1
Microsoft Word	Standard Health Insurance
Document	(SHIC) Plan 2
Cayman Islands Civil Servant Medical Plan Benefits	Cayman Islands Civil Servant Medical Plan Benefits Brochure
Cayman Islands Seamans & Veterans Medical Plan Benefits	Cayman Islands Seamans & Veterans Medical Plan Benefits Brochure

## **OUR SERVICES**

The purpose of CINICO is to control spiralling healthcare costs incurred by the Shareholder; empower medical professionals over healthcare financing decisions; help people who reside in the Cayman Islands gain access to affordable, quality healthcare; and maintain reinsurance for catastrophic events.

CINICO's principal activity is the provision of health insurance for Government insured's including civil servants, pensioners, other Government entities, Seamen & Veterans and their dependents ("Government Insured"), as well as residents of the Cayman Islands who have low income, impaired health status, or who are elderly ("Privately Insured"). CINICO employees are also insured by the Company. The Company also provides Administrative Services Only ("ASO") for indigents, advance patients and, effective July 1, 2007 ASO coverage for the Seamen & Veterans overseas benefits.

The Company has contracted with a Third Party Administrator ("TPA"), CBCA Administrators Inc., to provide claims administration services for local claims. On August 1, 2005, the Company contracted with Care Management Network Inc. ("CMN") to provide claims administration and case management services for insured's requiring overseas medical treatment. CINICO's contract with CMN provides its insured's with access to a large network of facilities throughout the United States and other countries at discounted costs.

The Company maintains reinsurance coverage with Presidio Excess Insurance Services, Inc. ("Presidio"), an underwriting agent of the Lloyds of London, which provides specific excess loss reinsurance coverage on a per coverage person basis.

CINICO provides the Cayman Islands Government with a management infrastructure (since the Company has its own Board of Directors), management team and service providers all experienced in managing the risks related to health insurance plans. As a separate entity writing insurance business, the Company is regulated by the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority ("CIMA"), audited by internal Government auditors and external auditors. Accordingly, each of these bodies will be evaluating the performance of the Company and its products.

#### Insurance Plans:

- Standard Health Insurance Plan 1 & 2 (SHIC) benefits;
- Cayman Islands Civil Servant Medical Plan Benefits;
- Cayman Islands Seamans & Veterans Medical Plan Benefits

Health Insurance Claim form

Member Change of Information form

Request for replacement of member card

Application for Direct Debit payment for SHIC members

Health Care Coverage Enrolment & Eligibility Forms

## **Classes of Information**

A class of information is a way of collecting together similar types of information. CINICO has grouped its Classes of Information into broad categories (or functions) which reflect CINICO's outputs. If you intend to make a request, the following grouping of information should give you an indication of where the information may be found.

Function	Activity and Restrictions & Accessibility to information
Finance & Administration  Applies to internal support functions relating to finance, personnel and business operations	Financial administration, Business operations and plans, Administration of Service Level Agreements, Communications, Budgeting  Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or member records.
Operational support & advice  Applies to the provision of services and support to clients, members, medical providers, and stakeholders	Policy development and support, Management Services Operations (ex. Coordination of Government IRIS and NHIS system for member eligibility, overseas patient referrals, member eligibility & benefit verification, member claims management), marketing & public relations activities, utilization statistics, personnel records, Financial services and support  Majority of the information can be accessed by the public through FOI law. Access restricted for personal information concerning clients or member records.



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The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

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This publication scheme commits the Cayman National Cultural Foundation (CNCF) to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

#### CNCF will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

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CNCF will generally <u>not</u> publish:

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In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

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## <u>Online</u>

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If you are without access to the internet, the essential elements of an FOI request are that it is made in writing, includes a name and return address, a description of the information sought and the kind of format (e.g. CD, hardcopy) in which you want to receive the information. The request can be submitted using an FOI application form or written in your own words. The request may be sent via post, fax, email or by hand.

Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law. For information on the FOI Law to can go the Freedom of Information website at:

http://www.foi.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1206,1&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

#### 6. Complaints

CNCF aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Information Manager Charles Glidden or Information Manager Designate Rita Estevanovich at 949-5477, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained at our reception desk or by going to this page on our website: http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=2&Itemid=5

If you do not have access to the internet you may collect a copy of our Complaints Policy from our office at 17 Harquail Drive.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

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- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

#### **ABOUT US**

## Name of public authority:

Cayman National Cultural Foundation

#### Ministry:

Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture

#### **Chief Officer:**

Jennifer Ahearn, Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, Cayman Islands

## **Principal Officers:**

Managing Director: Marcia Muttoo PO Box 30201

Grand Cayman KY1- 1201

Cayman Íslands Phone: 345-9495477

Email: mailto:cncf@candw.ky

Artistic Director: Henry Muttoo PO Box 30201

Grand Cayman KY1- 1201

Cayman Islands Phone: 345-9495477

Email: director@candw.ky

#### **Information Manager:**

Rita Estevanovich PO Box 30201

Grand Cayman KY1- 1201

Cayman Islands Phone: 345-9495477

Email: mailto:foi.ncf@gov.ky Website: www.artscayman.org

Information Manager Designate: n/a

For more information on the Freedom of Information Law visit the Freedom of Information website at www.foi.gov.ky

## **Organisation and functions**

Our Mission

"To stimulate, facilitate and preserve cultural and artistic expression generally, particularly the preservation and exploration of Caymanian performing, visual and literary arts."

Cayman National Cultural Foundation (CNCF) is a non-profit organization created and governed by the Cayman National Cultural Foundation Law, 1984.

The **Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture** is CNCF's governing Ministry. The Chief Officer in this Ministry is Jennifer Ahearn.

An Artistic Director, Henry Muttoo and a Managing Director, Marcia Muttoo head the management structure. A Programmes & Public Education Officer, two Programmes Managers, an Administrative Assistant, and a Caretaker of the Cultural Centre support them. Further support comes from volunteers. The Director of Marketing and Technical Director posts are currently vacant.

CNCF is funded by an annual government grant from the Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture. Additional funding comes from corporate sponsorship, ticket sales to events and rental of the Harquail Theatre and Studio Theatre.

The work of the Cultural Foundation incorporates arts and cultural preservation, cultural festivals, the National Theatre, artistic development, youth arts, and special projects. These are in fact the outputs that are funded by the Ministry of Education, Training, Employment, Youth, Sports, & Culture. CNCF's activities cover the full scope of artistic disciplines... Theatre... Dance... Music... Visual... Literary and Culinary Arts.

#### **Mailing Address:**

P.O. Box 30201 Grand Cayman KY1-1201 CAYMAN ISLANDS

#### Telephone number:

345-949-5477

#### Fax number:

345-949-4519

#### **Email address:**

admincncf@candw.ky

#### Website address:

www.artscayman.org

## Staff Directory:

- Artistic Director: Henry Muttoo; Email: director@candw.ky
- Managing Director: Marcia Muttoo; Email: cncf@candw.ky
- Programmes & Public Education Officer: Lorna Bush; Email: marketcncf@candw.ky
- Technical Director Position Vacant
- Programmes Manager 1: Donna Reid; Email: projcncf@candw.ky
- Programmes Manager 2: Rita Estevanovich; Email: cayfest@candw.ky
- Administrative Officer: Virginia Foster; Email: volunteercncf@candw.ky
- Technical Assistant: Isaac Rankine; Email: bstgl@candw.ky
- Cultural Centre Caretaker: Edward Herd; Email: cncf@candw.ky

Postal Address and Telephone contact for all managers and staff: P.O. Box 30201 Grand Cayman KY1-1201

#### Telephone number:

CAYMAN ISLANDS

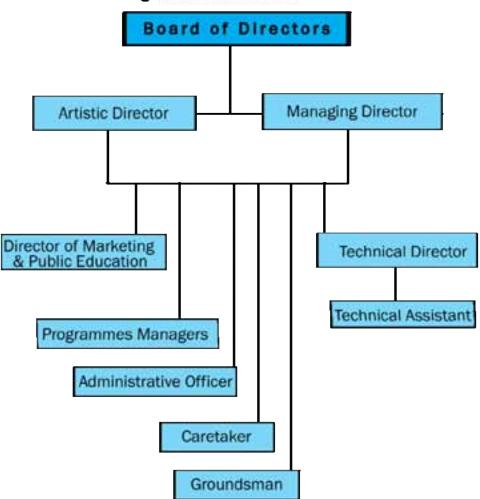
345-949-5477

#### Fax number:

345-949-4519

## **Organizational Chart:**

## Cayman National Cultural Foundation Organizational Chart



Location and hours	Matters handled
Office of the Artistic Director 17 Harquail Drive Grand Cayman Opening Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm	Programme Development Overseeing Production Design Setting standards and direction of CNCF
Office of the Managing Director 17 Harquail Drive Grand Cayman Opening Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm	General Administration Human Resources Finance Accounting Theatre Rentals
Public Education 17 Harquail Drive Grand Cayman Opening Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm	Advertising Public Relations Collateral Development Website Maintenance
Technical 17 Harquail Drive Grand Cayman Opening Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm	Lighting Sound Set Building All technical matters
Programmes Management 17 Harquail Drive Grand Cayman Opening Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm	Production Special Projects Awards and Grants Freedom of Information
Library 17 Harquail Drive Grand Cayman Opening Hours: Monday,Tuesday,Thursday, Friday 9am – 1:00pm	Cataloguing, storage and maintenance of books, video & audio tapes, CDs and DVDs Monitoring use of reference materials
Volunteer Coordination 17 Harquail Drive Grand Cayman Opening Hours: Monday,Tuesday,Thursday, Friday 9am – 1:00pm	Recruiting Volunteers Scheduling & Supervising Volunteers

## **Boards and Committees**

CNCF Board of Directors	Meetings	Minutes
Martyn Bould – Chairman	Meetings held six	Available on request in hard copy
Mary Elizabeth Rodrigues –	times annually	only. See section 3: Methods of
Deputy Chair	normally at 17	Access for contact addresses.
Morgan DaCosta	Harquail Drive.	Request in writing should be to the
Helen Harquail	Meetings are not	Information Manager or Information
Deannna Look Loy	open to the public	Manger Designate.
Lorna Reid		
Liz Scholefield		
Marcia Muttoo Secretary		
Grants & Awards Committee	Meetings	Minutes
Morgan DaCosta – Chairman	Meetings held	Available on request in hard copy
Lorna Reid	quarterly at 17	only. See section 3: Methods of
Mary Elizabeth Rodrigues	Harquail Drive	Access for contact addresses.
Horacio Esteban	Meetings are not	Request in writing should be to the
Donna Reid-Secretary	open to the public.	Information Manager or Information
		Manger Designate.

## Frequently asked questions

# Why is the Cultural Centre named F.J. Harquail Cultural Centre?

F. J. Harquail was a Canadian businessman and the husband of Helen Harquail. Mrs. Harquail, who took up residence in the Cayman Islands, donated the land on which the Cultural Centre is located and funded the building of the Harquail Theatre as a gift to the people of Cayman. She stipulated that the centre must be named in memory of her late husband.

# Did any Caymanians contribute to the building of the Cultural Centre?

Businessman Lawrence Thompson donated land which enables access from Lawrence Blvd. to the site donated by Mrs. Harquail.

## Can we book a tour of the Harquail?

Tours of the Harquail Theatre and Harquail Studio are given to school groups, community groups and people interested in renting the theatre. Call 949-5477 to book a tour.

# Who is eligible for a financial grant?

Please click here to go to the Grants page on our website. Or you can go to www.artscayman.org click on Home then click on Grants. You may also contact the Secretary to the Grants & Awards Committee Donna Reid at projcncf@candw.ky or 949-5477.

### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organisational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

### Governance

- Cayman National Cultural Foundation Law 1984\* Available at the Legislative Assembly Building.
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) \*\*
- Freedom of Information Law 2007 \*\*

## Corporate Management

High-level documents that plan and evaluate the work of the authority.

- Emergency Management and Business Continuity Plan \*
- CNCF Hurricane Preparedness Check List \*
- Annual Reports available at http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1591697&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTA L 1
- Plan for Miss Lassie's House \*
- Brief for a Business Plan for Miss Lassie House \*
- Plan for Cayfest 2010 \*
- Sponsorship Plan \*

### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

## Financial management

- 2009 2010 Budget available at http://www.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1142,1593653&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTA L ]
- Financial Statements; Half-yearly / quarterly reports \*
- Accounting Procedures \*
- Budget Allocation\*

### Administration

Press Releases \* available at

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=18&Itemid=23

- Staff Salary Scales\*
- **Staff Directory** Key fulltime employees available at:

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=7&Itemid=7

- Insurance Policies Available at Cayman Island Government Risk Management
- Classes of Information Held available at

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com content&view=article&id=5&Itemid=6

Records File Plan\*

- Harquail Theatre Valuation\*
- Miss Lassie's House Valuation\*
- Gladwyn K. Bush Art Collection Catalogue\*

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

- CNCF Cultural Policy\*
- Employee Handbook\*
- Theatre & Equipment Operating Policy & Procedures\*
- Complaints Handling Procedure\* -- available at

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=2&Itemid=5

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## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decision-making processes.

- Minutes of the Board of Directors\*
- Minutes of Staff Meetings\*
- Cayfest Reports\*
- Dr. Elisa Serrano's report on Miss Lassie's House\*
- "Engendering Creativity" proposal by Henry Muttoo\*

# **LISTS & REGISTERS**

- Assets Register\*
- Freedom of Information Disclosure Log\*

## **OUR SERVICES**

About CNCF\* available at

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=6&Itemid=41

- Save Miss Lassie's House\*
- Grants Criteria\*
- Heritage Cross Criteria\* available at

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=20&Itemid=25

- Playwriting Competition Criteria\*
- Volunteer Forms\*
- Summer Camp Registration Form\* -- available at

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=30&Itemid=36

- Cayfest Registration Forms\*
- Complaint Form\*

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=2&Itemid=5

Harquail Theatre Rental Rates & Terms\* -- available at

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=13&Itemid=18

Studio Theatre Rental Rates & Terms\* -- available at

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=15&Itemid=19

Directions to the F.J. Harquail Cultural Centre – available at

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com content&view=article&id=12&Itemid=39

Calendar of Events – available at

http://www.artscayman.org/index.php?option=com\_eventlist&view=categoryevents&id=1&Itemid =12

<sup>\*</sup>Available at the CNCF office. Fees described in section 4 apply unless expressly waived. Contact the Information Manager or his Designate.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Available at the Legislative Assembly Building



# **National Gallery of the Cayman Islands**

# **Publication Scheme**

Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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## 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the National Gallery of the Cayman Islands to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The National Gallery of the Cayman Islands will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The National Gallery of the Cayman Islands will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the National Gallery of the Cayman Islands or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the National Gallery of the Cayman Island's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

# <u>Online</u>

Many of our documents are published electronically on the website www.nationalgallery.org.ky and can be downloaded in PDF format.

http://www.nationalgallery.org.ky/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=35&lt emid=39

If there is no link, or the link is broken, or if you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact Mona Watler on communications.ng@candw.ky

### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email Mona Watler at communications.ng@candw.ky to if necessary.

### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call (345) 945-8111 to request information.

### <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Mona Watler

P.O. Box 10197, Grand Cayman, KY1-1002

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Anne Goulden admin.ng@candw.ky

The National Gallery of the Cayman Islands will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the National Gallery of the Cayman Islands is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The National Gallery of the Cayman Islands strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There is one publication which the National Gallery of the Cayman Islands offers for sale. This includes the children's book *This is Cayman, Dis is Paradise*. This publication is charged at the cover price of CI\$15.00, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service.

# Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

Blue Print reproduction	\$ 3.00
Conversion of Video or Audio into MP3 or Div/X format	\$ -
Convert paper record to digital PDF/JPEG/TIF on CD/DVD	\$ -
Digital record - PDF/JPEG/TIF via email	\$ -
Digital record - PDF/JPEG/TIF via CD/DVD	\$ 2.00
Maps and Plans	\$ 5.00
Photocopy - B/W	\$ 1.00
Photocopy - Colours	\$ 1.50
Photograph Print BW/Colour or STD printout	\$ 1.00
Photograph Print BW/Colour from digital photo/scanned/negative (size 8 1/2	
x 11)	\$ 5.00
Photograph Print BW/Colour from digital photo/scanned/negative (size 8 1/2	
x 14)	\$ 7.50
Photograph Print BW/Colour from digital photo/scanned/negative (size 11 x	
17)	\$ 10.00
Photograph Print Colour (photocopy or STD printout)	\$ 1.50
Text to audio for visual impair by Computer Services at cost	\$ -

### Postage costs

The National Gallery of the Cayman Islands will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the National Gallery of the Cayman Islands has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the National Gallery of the Cayman Islands that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be *requested in writing*. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

## 6. Complaints

The National Gallery of the Cayman Islands aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

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Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from NGCI Complaints Policy and Procedures .

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 Email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

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## **ABOUT US**

## Name of public authority

National Gallery of the Cayman Islands

### **Ministry**

Ministry of Health, Environment, Youth, Sports and Culture

# Principal Officer [or Key staff]

Jennifer Ahearn, Permanent Secretary/Chief Officer Ministry of Health, Employment, Youth, Sports and Culture 3rd Floor, Government Administration Building, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, Cayman Islands.

Natalie Urquhart, Director National Gallery of the Cayman Islands Ground Floor, 103 Harbour Place, S. Church Street Grand Cayman KY1-1002, Cayman Islands.

## **Information Manager**

Mona L. Tatum-Watler, Communications & Marketing Manager, National Gallery of the Cayman Islands Ground Floor, Harbour Place 103 South Church Street George Town

Email: communications.ng@candw.ky

Freedom of Information website: www.foi.gov.ky

# **Organisation and functions**

The National Gallery of the Cayman Islands serves to promote and encourage the appreciation and practice of the visual arts, of and in the Cayman Islands. To this end, the National Gallery travels Caymanian art and artists abroad as well as having many fine international artists visit, exhibit and work in the Cayman Islands.

National Gallery of the Cayman Islands Ground Floor, Harbour Place 103 South Church Street George Town P.O. Box 10197 Grand Cayman KY1-1002 Cayman Islands

Telephone: (345)-945-8111

Fax: (345)-945-7103

Email: communications.ng@candw.ky

www.nationalgallery.org.ky

Location and hours	Matters handled
Ground Floor, Harbour Place 103 South Church Street George Town	Execution of educational programming (lectures, courses, art documentary screenings).
	Facilitate the Gallery's Art based Library.
Monday to Friday 9:00am -5:00pm Saturdays 11:00am - 4:00pm	Exhibition of artwork.

Development of policy and procedures for local artists.
Accommodate international artist's works by way of exhibition.
Provide Outreach programming to persons with little to no accessibility to art education.
Promote locally based and Caymanian artists.
Facilitate fundraising initiatives.

# **Boards and committees**

National Gallery Management Board/ Trustees	Meetings	Minutes
Henry Harford Desmond Kinch Arthur Dzaghgouni Monique Jackson Samantha Paul Martyn Bould Carl Brown Sara Collins Ariane Dart John Doak Lisa Flowers Hugh Hart John Hurlstone Bendel Hydes Susan Olde Linton Tibbetts Andreas Ugland Naul Bodden Truman Bodden Bendel Hydes Carol Owen Helen Harquail Carson Ebanks	Meetings are held on a quarterly basis and are closed to the public.	
National Gallery Building/Facilities Committee	Meetings	Minutes
John Doak - Chairman Martyn Bould Danny Owens Jeremy Superfine Natalie Urquhart	Meetings are held on an as needed basis and are closed to the public.	<b>7</b> 2

National Gallery Exhibitions / Collections / Programmes Committee	Meetings	Minutes
Natalie Urquhart Wray Banker David Bridgeman John Doak Chris Mann Lisa Flowers Bendel Hydes	Meetings are held on a quarterly basis and are closed to the public.	7
National Gallery Fundraising Committee	Meetings	Minutes
Desmond Kinch-Chairperson Linton Tibbetts Monique Jackson Carl Brown Ariane Dart Andreas Ugland		72
National Gallery Personnel Committee	Meetings	Minutes
Sarah Collins-Chairperson Natalie Urquhart		

## Frequently asked questions

## Do you sell art here?

Generally no, however, we do host shows from time to time in which sale of works benefit charitable organizations. Additionally each year we show the works of our Art Outreach Programme participants, in which sales are encouraged in order to promote the participants' talents.

# Where can I by art?

There are several stores and galleries on island that can supply you with local art; Al Ebanks Gallery, Arteccentrix Gallery, Art Solutions, 24 K-Mon Jewelers & Art Gallery, Bodden Town Art Shop, Cathy Church's Underwater Photo Centre & Gallery, Cayman Traditional Arts, Esteban Gallery, Full of Beans Café, Guy Harvey Gallery & Shoppe. Island Art & Framing, Kennedy Gallery, NasArt Gallery, Pure Art Gallery & Gifts, Ritz Carlton Grand Cayman Gallery and the Sandon Feat Gallery.

# Do you sell art supplies?

No, but do come by and purchase our gift items which support our fundraising efforts.

## What is the cost of admission?

Admission is free with donations appreciated.

### Is the artwork local?

Not all works exhibited at the NGCI are local, one of our missions to bring the outside world to Cayman by hosting international artists in Cayman.

#### How can I contact a local artist?

Please let us know which artist you are interested in contacting and we will point you in the right direction, either where their work is sold or the artists' contact information. (Or try the internet).

# How many exhibitions do you have every year?

We aim to host six exhibitions each year including one international artist.

# Can I exhibit my work here?

Once an artist meets the exhibition criteria and the standard of work is high, you can apply to the exhibitions committee. Contact our curator by emailing director.ng@candw.ky or call us.

# Can we donate our time instead of money?

Yes, if you'd like to support the Gallery but can't afford to donate money, you can donate your time instead. There are many exciting opportunities for National Gallery volunteers called "Friends of the Gallery Volunteer Staff" including free training and other benefits.

## Do you offer courses?

Yes, contact our Education and Outreach Coordinator on education.ng@candw.ky for a comprehensive list of courses and workshops here and in the Sister Islands.

# How can I make; 1. a complaint? 2. an FOI request?

Send an email to communications.ng@candw.ky, telephone 945-8111, or visit in person our Communications and Marketing Manager, Mona Watler.

## • Are pets allowed inside the gallery?

No, however service dogs are welcome.

# Can I take photographs of artwork on display?

Yes, however flash is not allowed (as it may damage some sensitive works).

### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

## **Functions of the National Gallery:**

- 1) to organise and maintain permanent and temporary public exhibitions of works of art;
- 2) to collect and preserve significant works of art for public exhibition:

- 3) to facilitate the public exhibition of works of art or collections of works of art loaned by persons or bodies for that purpose;
- 4) to present, or facilitate the presentation by others, of programmes of instruction in the visual arts:
- to lend works of art in the national collection to other art galleries for the purpose of promoting the culture of the Islands abroad;
- 6) to encourage the evolution and the enjoyment of the visual arts in the Islands;
- 7) to promote the appreciation and interpretation of the visual arts in the Islands as an integral component of education;
- 8) to foster and encourage research in the visual arts;
- 9) to provide facilities for the curation and restoration of works of art;
- and to perform such other functions as may be necessary to direct, manage and control the National Gallery and to fulfill its purposes specified in section 4 of the **National Gallery Law (1999)**

### Governance

- The National Gallery Law (1999)
- NGCI Complaints Policy and Procedures
- Public Finance and Management Law
- Labour Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations
- Public Service Management Law
- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- Immigration Law (2006 Revision) and Regulations
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2005 Revision)
- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision) and Regulations
- Customs Law (2007 Revision) and Regulations

# Corporate management\*

- NGCI Emergency Management and Recovery Plan
- Corporate plans
- Annual reports
- Audit reports on overall operations or major projects
- Compliance assessments; inspections; reviews; performance evaluations
- Risk management assessments
- NGCI Audited Financial Statements (KPMG)
- Investment in People Report 2007
- NGCI Building Project Report

### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION\*

## Financial management

Annual Ownership Agreement (Budget)

<sup>\*</sup> Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

- Annual Purchase Agreement
- Quarterly Management Report
- Fundraising Committee Meeting Minutes
- KPMG Contract to audit/engagement letter and representation agreement letter
- List of current tenders, contracts or quotations; Recently-awarded contracts

### Administration

### **Buildings Equipment & Vehicles:**

- Insurance policies;
- Art Work
- Vehicles
- Storage Facility

# Communications;

- Press releases
- NGCI Records management file plan or classification scheme

# **Human Resources**;

- NGCI Employee Handbook 2009 (draft version)
- Staff pay and grading structures

# **Information & Technology Management**;

- Systems Back Up Documentation
- Lime Contract
- Cyber Joe's Contract
- Computer Services (Data/IT)

### POLICIES & PROCEDURES\*

- Complaints-handling procedure;
- HR policies and procedures
- Information management policy;
- Disposal schedule (records retention policy)
- Exhibitions policy
- Collections and Acquisition Management Policy
- Collections & Acquisitions Management Policy
- NGCI Exhibitions Policy

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Recommendations; (letters of reference-volunteers/members/employees)

<sup>\*</sup> Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

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- Minutes of meetings;
- Public consultations
- Permits granted or refused (where publication is required by law, enactment or practice)
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- Asset register;
- Register of gifts;
- Membership Database
- FOI disclosure log
- Artists Database
- Volunteer Database

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- Programmes; Projects; Events
- Researching;
- Advising; Training; Scholarships;
- Applications;
- Registering
- Forms

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# **Publication Schemes**

# Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Judicial Administration to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Judicial Administration will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Judicial Administration will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Judicial Administration, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, whenever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Judicial Administration's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

# Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on our website (www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky) and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility (www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky/search). If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact our Information Manager at 345-244-3817 or by email at foi.jud@gov.ky.

### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email our Information Manager at 345-244-3817 or by email at foi.jud@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

## **Phone**

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call our Information Manager at 345-244-3817.

# <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Judicial Administration Attention: Information Manager Box 495, KY1-1106, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number or email address so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

# Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

# Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact our Information Manager at 345-244-3817 or by email at foi.jud@gov.ky.

The Judicial Administration will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Judicial Administration is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Judicial Administration strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications which the Judicial Administration offers for sale. This includes: [none at this time]. These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal Service.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

## Postage costs

The Judicial Administration will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Judicial Administration has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Judicial Administration that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing – please follow this link for further information, www.caymanjudiciallegalinfo.com.ky/Freedom-of-Information. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

## 6. Complaints

The Judicial Administration aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact our Information Manager at 345-244-3817 or by email at foi.jud@gov.ky, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky/Freedom-of-Information.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375,

Grand Cayman KY1-1108,

CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services

### **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

**Judicial Administration** 

# **Oversight**

The Chief Justice is the head of the judiciary of the Cayman Islands and has responsibility for and management of all matters arising in judicature.

## **Principal officer**

Chief Officer: Delene Cacho, Court Administrator

Location: Courthouse, 61 Edward Street, George Town, Grand Cayman

Mailing Address: Judicial Administration

Attention: Court Administrator

PO Box 495

Grand Cayman KY1-1106 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Telephone: (345) 244-3805

Fax: (345) 947 – 4296

Email: Delene.Cacho@gov.ky

# Information manager

Information Manager: Ms. Tabitha Philander

Designate: Mrs. Catherine Guillbard

Location: Courthouse, 61 Edward Street, George Town, Grand Cayman

Mailing Address: Judicial Administration

Attention: FOI Manager

PO Box 495

Grand Cayman KY1-1106

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** 

Telephone: (345) 244-3817 or -3818

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# **Organisation and functions**

The Judicial Administration consists of the registries and offices that deal with the management of the court system. Administration of the court has traditionally been concerned with maintaining a proper registry of court proceedings, overseeing budgets, selecting jury pools, arranging the lists of court cases, creating court calendars, and supervising non-judicial personnel.

The courts of the Cayman Islands administer justice in keeping with the Constitution, the Laws of the Islands and the well established principles of common law which have been developed by the local, the British and other courts of the Commonwealth of Nations.

Criminal proceedings for breaches of the Laws of the country are taken before the courts to be heard by a magistrate (in the case of proceedings before the Summary Court), or a judge, or judge and jury (at the election of the defendant) in the case of proceedings in the Grand Court. Generally, the more serious offences are tried on indictment in the Grand Court, although the Summary Court has jurisdiction to try serious drug charges and to impose very severe penalties in respect of such offences. Civil disputes having a subject matter of up to CI\$20,000.00 are also taken in the Summary Court.

The Grand Court, as a court of unlimited jurisdiction, tries all other types of civil disputes, including the most complex commercial and trust disputes which often arise in respect of Cayman Islands corporate or trust entities.

The work of the Grand Court is divided amongst five specialised divisions: the Civil Division, the Family Division, the Admiralty Division, the Financial Services Division and the Criminal Division.

The structure of the court system is hierarchical with appeals lying to the Court above at each stage. The Summary Court is the first in the hierarchy, followed by the Grand Court, the Court of Appeal and finally, Her Majesty's Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. There is a separate right of petition to the European Court of Human Rights for persons who reside in the Cayman Islands having regard to the extension of the European Convention on Human Rights to the Islands.

The procedure of the courts is largely governed by court rules. Applicable fees are set out in the court fees rules. The matters heard in court from day to day are set out in the cause lists.

All registry and court activities are carried out at the following location:

The Courts
Judicial Administration

61 Edward Street George Town P.O. Box 495 Grand Cayman KY1-1106 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Tel: 345 949 4296 Fax: 345 949 9856

Website: www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky

Registry Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Effective 6<sup>th</sup> December 2010 the Court of Appeal, Financial Services, Civil (Grand Court and Summary Court), Family and Admiralty registries were moved to the Main Floor, Kirk Building, 35 Albert Panton Street. The Criminal Registry, Legal Aid/Grand Court Maintenance office and the Summary Court Maintenance office remain in the main court building.

All accounting, fine payment and court funds activities are carried out at the following location:

Accounts and Courts Funds Office

Main Floor, Kirk Building

35 Albert Panton Street George Town P.O. Box 495 Grand Cayman KY1-1106 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Tel: 345 244 3827 Fax: 345 949 0890

Website: www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky

Accounts and Court Funds Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

## Frequently asked questions

- Q How do I access court records?
- A Access to civil court records is governed by the Grand Court Rules ('GCR's') see GCR Order 63, rule 3 (you can access the GCR's on our website www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky).

In most instances, the originating process (the document that starts a civil case) and the final judgment (the document that ends a civil case) may be inspected by members of the public. These documents are retained at the civil registry in our Register of Writs and other Originating Process and Register of Judgments. Members of the public are able to search these court registers upon paying the appropriate fee (\$20.00) between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm at the accounts office and are able to obtain copies of

documents found on those registers (there is a \$.50/page copying fee). We hope to have an online search facility in the near future.

In liquidation proceedings the right to inspect court files is limited by the Companies Winding Up Rules ("CWR's"). Depending upon the circumstances, special leave of the court may be required prior to inspection (and copying). Generally speaking, a creditor has the right to inspect the court file in liquidation proceedings while any other person must obtain leave; in both instances, the person seeking inspection must show that it is required for the purposes of the liquidation (you can access the CWR's on our website as well). You may also wish to search through the Gazettes published by the Government of the Cayman Islands which are available online at www.gazettes.com.ky; the Gazettes contain Liquidation Notices, among other information in relation to liquidation proceedings.

If you are named as a party in a civil court case, upon proof of your identity (passport or driver's licence), you may obtain copies of the documents from the relevant court file between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm at the civil registry (there is a \$.50/page copying fee). There will also be a search fee in you are unable to provide the relevant court file number.

In the Cayman Islands, individuals are responsible for searching the relevant court registers and reviewing court documents. The court registry does not conduct searches on behalf of individuals, nor do we answer questions regarding specific court files.

Access to criminal records is governed by the Criminal Procedure Code ('the Code'). Section 193 of the Code states:

"If any person affected by any order made or judgment passed in any proceedings under this Code desires to have copy of such order or judgment, or of any deposition or other part of the record in any such proceedings, he shall, upon making application for such copy, be furnished therewith, provided he pays for the same according to such scale as may be prescribed unless, in any particular case, the court directs that it be furnished free of cost."

Application must be made in writing addressed to the Deputy Clerk of the Court (Criminal) setting out a) the name of the proceedings (including the relevant case number), b) proof of your identity (a photocopy of your passport or driver's licence), c) your contact details, and d) the reason you believe that you are a "person affected by any order made or judgment passed" in the proceedings. The application will be reviewed by a member of the judiciary. You will be notified of the decision whether or not to release copies of the record in a few days.

Access to our coroner's records is governed by the Summary Jurisdiction Law ('the Law'). Pursuant to section 26(2) of the Law, a magistrate may authorize inspection (or the making of a copy) of the record of evidence in any case before the court "for any sufficient reason".

Application must be made in writing addressed to the Deputy Clerk of the Court (Criminal) setting out a) the name of the proceedings, b) proof of your identity (a photocopy of your passport or driver's licence), c) your contact details, and d) the reason you believe that you are entitled to inspect (or take a copy) of the record of evidence. The application will be reviewed by a magistrate. You will be notified of the decision whether or not to release copies of the record in a few days.

• Access to Court of Appeal records is governed by the Court of Appeal Rules. Rule 7(3) allows access to the Court of Appeal registers upon payment of the prescribed fee. The registers are maintained by the Registrar of the Court of Appeal at the civil registry. Members of the public are able to search these registers upon paying the appropriate fee (\$20.00) between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm.

### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

### Governance

The Judicial Administration's operations are best understood as comprising two main functions: administrative and operational.

Administrative functions provide 'house-keeping' support to our main services and activities; these include financial management, human resource management, information and technology management, etc. Administrative functions are common to all government entities and are governed by the same legislation across departments. The Laws which govern the Judicial Administration's administrative functions are listed below and are available for purchase at the Legislative Assembly:

## **Appropriation Law**

### Freedom of Information Law

Freedom of Information (Information Commissioner) Regulations, 2008 Freedom of Information (General) Regulations, 2008

### **National Archive and Public Records Law**

National Archive and Public Records Regulations, 2007

### Official Gazette Law

Official Gazette Regulations (1995 Revision)

## **Public Holidays Law**

## **Public Management and Finance Law**

Financial Regulations (2008 Revision)

# **Public Service Management Law**

Personnel Regulations, 2006

## **Public Service Pensions Law**

Public Service Pensions Regulations (2004 Revision)

Public Service Pensions (Ex-gratia Pensions) Regulations, 2004

Operational functions are unique to each government entity and comprise the services and activities that each government entity is mandated to deliver or oversee. Broadly speaking, the Judicial Administration manages the court system for the Cayman Islands. The Laws which govern the Judicial Administration's operational functions are listed below and are available for purchase at the Legislative Assembly:

# **Adoption of Children Law**

Affiliation Law

Alternative Sentencing Law

**Bail Law** 

**Bankruptcy Law** 

Children Law

## Clerk and Deputy Clerk of the Court (Powers) Law

# **Companies Law**

Companies (Forms) Rules (1998 Revision)

Companies Winding Up Rules, 2008

Foreign Bankruptcy Proceedings (International Cooperation) Rules, 2008

Insolvency Practitioners Regulations, 2008

Practice Direction No. 1/2002-Scheme of Arrangements and Compromise

Practice Direction No. 1/03 Official Liquidators Security

Practice Direction No. 2/03 Remuneration of Official Liquidators

Grand Court Practice Direction No. 1/02

### **Confidential Relationships (Preservation) Law**

Constitution Order 2009 No. 1379

### **Coroners Law**

Coroners Rules (1996 Revision)

# Costs (Crown Suits and Law Officers) Law

## Court of Appeal Law

Court of Appeal Rules (2004 Revision)

Court Costs Rules, 2001

Court Fees Rules (2008 Revision)

## **Criminal Justice (International Cooperation) Law**

### **Criminal Procedure Code**

## **Crown Proceedings Law**

Grand Court (Proceedings by and against the Crown) Rules (2001 Revision)

### **Defamation Law**

# Drug Rehabilitation Court Law, 2006

Drug Rehabilitation Court Regulations, 2008

Drug Rehabilitation Court Rules, 2009

### **Evidence Law**

Civil Evidence Rules (2001 Revision)

Criminal Evidence Rules, 1978

Evidence (Designation of Countries) Order, 2005

Grand Court Rules, 1995

Amendment by amending Rules, 1995

Amendment by amending (No. 2) Rules, 1995

Amendment by amending Rules, 1996

Amendment by amending Rules, 1997

Amendment by amending (No. 2) Rules, 1997

Amendment by amending Rules

### Firearms Law

Firearms Regulations (1999 Revision)

# Foreign Judgments Reciprocal Enforcement Law

Grand Court (Foreign Judgments) (Reciprocal Enforcement) Rules

### **Grand Court Law**

Civil Evidence Rules (2001 Revision)

Court Costs Rules, 2001

Court Fees Rules (2008 Revision)

Criminal Evidence Rules (2001 Revision)

Grand Court (Bankruptcy) Rules

Amendment by amending Rules (part)

Grand Court Rules, 1995 (Revised)

Amendment by amending Rules

Amendment by amending Rules

Grand Court Practice Directions-

No.2/95-Attachment of Earnings Orders - Calculation of Post-Judgment Interest

No.3/95-Attachment of Earnings Orders - Method of Payment

No.4/95-Payment Schedules -Authorised Signatures

No.5/95-Trial Bundles

No.1/96-Land Acquisition Law (Revised) - Payment of Compensation into Court

No.2/96-Trial Bundles

No.1/97-Legal Aid Forms

No.2/97-Register of Judgments and Register of Writs, etc.

No.3/97-Confidentiality and Publication of Chamber's Proceedings

No.I/99-Filing Documents in Court

No.2/99-Drawing Up and Filing of Judgments and Orders

No.4/99-Indictments

No.5/99-Legal Aid – Affidavit of Means

No.1/00-Listing Forms

No.1/01-Guidelines relating to the Taxation of Costs

No.1/02-Schemes of Arrangement and Compromise under the Companies Law

No.1/03-Official Liquidators: Security for the due performance of their duties

No.2/03-Remuneration of Official Liquidators

No.1/04-Corrections to Judgments

No.1/2008-Register of Judgements Register of Writs

Court Fee Rules, 2006

Amendment by amending rules

# **Guardianship and Custody of Children Law**

## Interpretation Law

# **Judges Emoluments and Allowances Law**

Judges Emoluments and Allowances Order, 2005

### **Judicature Law**

Grand Court Rules, 1995

Amendment by amending rules, 1995

Amendment by amending (No. 2) Rules, 1995

Amendment by amending Rules, 1996

Amendment by amending Rules, 1997

Amendment by amending (No. 2) Rules, 1997

Amendment by amending Rules, 1999

Amendment by amending Rules, 2008

Judgment Debts (Rates of Interest) Rules

### **Juveniles Law**

Amendment by Law 7 of 1992 (part)

Amendment by Law 9 of 1992

Amendment by Law 5 of 1994

Amendment by Law 8 of 1995 (part)

Amendment by Law 9 of 1995 (part)-not yet in force

Juveniles (Approved Schools) Order 1992

Juveniles (Rehabilitation Schools) Order (2003 Revision)

### Law Revision Law

# Legal Aid Law

Legal Aid Rules, 1997

## **Legal Practitioners Law**

Legal Practitioners (Incorporated Practice) Regulations (2006 Revision) Legal Practitioners (Students) Regulations (2008 Revision)

### **Maintenance Law**

Maintenance Orders Enforcement (Belize) Order 1977 Maintenance Law (Extension) (Ontario) Order, 2000

# Married Women's Property Law

### **Matrimonial Causes Law**

Matrimonial Causes Rules (2003 Revision)

# **Mental Health Law**

Mental Health (Place of Safety) Regulations, 1995 Mental Health (Place of Safety) Regulations

### Misuse of Drugs Law

Amendment by Law 10 of 2008 (part)

Misuse of Drugs (Drug Trafficking Offences) (Designated Countries)

Order, 1991

Amendment by amending Order

Amendment by amending Order

Scheme of Arrangements for Community Service by Offenders in the Cayman Islandsmade pursuant to s.51(2).

## Mutual Legal Assistance (United States of America) Law

## **Notaries Public Law**

#### **Oaths Law**

### **Penal Code**

Amendment by Law 11 of 2008 (part)

Note: This amendment comes into force on 1st January, 2010.

Penal Code (Sale of Foodstuff) Prohibition Order (1998 Revision)

Prohibited Publications Order (1998 Revision)

Scheme of Arrangement for Community Service by Offenders in the Cayman Islandsmade pursuant to s.42(3).

### **Probation of Offenders Law**

## **Proceeds of Crime Law**

Code of Conduct

Money Laundering Regulations (2008 Revision)

Amendment by amending regulations

Proceeds of Criminal Conduct (Designated Countries) Order (2003 Revision)

### Rehabilitation of Offenders Law

### Succession Law

Court Fees Rules (2008 Revision)

Probate and Administration Rules (2008 Revision)

## **Summary Jurisdiction Law**

Appointment of Virtute Officii Justices of the Peace Notice (1999 Revision)

Seal of Summary Courts Notice

Criminal Evidence Rules (2001 Revision)

Summary Court Rules, 2004

Summary Courts (Sittings) Order (1999 Revision)

Summary Jurisdiction (Forms) Rules

Order appointing places for sittings

# Summary Jurisdiction (Domestic Violence) Law

# Tax Information Authority Law Traffic Law

## Torts (Reform) Law

### **Traffic Law**

Amendment by Law 7 of 2005

Amendment by amending Law 6 of 2006

These two amending Laws are not yet in force

Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) Regulations (1999)

Revision)

Public Passenger Vehicles Regulations (2008 Revision)

Amendment by amending regulations

Traffic (Categorisation) Regulations (1999 Revision)

Traffic Control Regulations (1999 Revision)

Traffic (Driving Test Exemption) Order, 1998

Traffic (Public Transport Appeals Tribunal) Regulations, 2004

Amendment by amending Regulations, 2007 (sic)

Traffic Regulations (2002 Revision)

Traffic (Seat Belts) Regulations (1999 Revision)

Traffic (Speed Limits on Cayman Brac) Regulations (1999 Revision)

Traffic Ticket Regulations (1999 Revision)

### **Vexatious Actions Law**

### Wills Law

## Youth Justice Law

Youth (Detention Facility) Order, 2004 Youth Rehabilitation Schools Notice, 2004

## The Constitution of the Cayman Islands

# **Corporate management**

The Judicial Administration plans and evaluates its work. The documents that record our planning and evaluation process are listed below. Many of these documents are available on our website (www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky). If the document you are looking for is not on our website, please contact our Information Manager at 345-244-3817 or by email at foi.jud@gov.ky for assistance.

- Annual reports
- Audit reports
- Annual statistics
- Hazard management plan for records
- Disaster control plan

# FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

# **Financial management**

The following documents relate to the Judicial Administration's management of its monetary resources. Many of these documents are available on our website (www.caymanjudiciallegalinfo.com.ky). If the document you are looking for is not on our website, please contact our Information Manager at 345-244-3817 or by email at foi.jud@gov.ky for assistance.

- Annual budget
- Financial statements
- Service level agreements

### Administration

The following documents relate to the Judicial Administration's management of other administrative functions. Many of these documents are available on our website (www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky). If the document you are looking for is not on our website, please contact our Information Manager at 345-244-3817 or by email at foi.jud@gov.ky for assistance.

- Staff Directory
- Organizational Chart
- Job descriptions
- Job vacancies
- Job pay and grading structures
- Press releases
- Speeches and publications
- Insurance policies
- Records management file plan (under construction)
- Disposal schedule (under construction)

# **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

The procedures for the Judicial Administration's operational functions are mandated by the Laws listed above at 'Governance'. Similarly, many of the procedures for the Judicial Administration's administrative functions are set out by the Laws listed above at 'Governance'.

The following documents relate to the Judicial Administration's current written procedures for carrying out its functions. Many of these documents are available on our website (www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky). If the document you are looking for is not on our website, please contact our Information Manager at 345-244-3817 or by email at foi.jud@gov.ky for assistance.

- Complaints-handling procedure
- Human Resource policies and procedures manual
- Internal Grievance procedure
- Disposal schedule (under construction)

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is important that the judgments of the courts are made publicly available, as they form part of the law of the land in relation to the principles they decide. The "precedents" established by court decisions have to be followed by future courts and it is therefore crucial that they are collected together and the most important ones published and thoroughly indexed. They are in daily use by the Cayman courts and by the attorneys who practise before them.

The Cayman Islands Law Reports ('CILR') were first published in the mid-1980s. They now contain reports of the most significant decisions in Cayman law from 1952 to the present day (with notes of some earlier cases back to the start of the 20th century). Coverage is given to precedents created by the modern courts — the Grand Court, the Court of Appeal and the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in London — and also to older cases in courts to which Cayman appeals no longer lie, the Supreme Court of Jamaica, the Court of Appeal of Jamaica and the Federal Supreme Court.

Searching the CILR on the Judicial Administration's website (www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky) has been made more versatile by offering different searches to suit the needs of users with different experience:

- From the CILR search page, it is possible to search the CILR by pre-defined criteria such as legal subject category and sub-category, date of judgment, names of the parties, name of judge, name of court, etc.
- From the same page, you can search the content of the reports by entering your own words or phrases into the free-text search box—which delivers results which are not restricted to the criteria listed above.
- The user who prefers to browse will be able to find judgments by using the drop-down lists, which will give access to cases by name (Cases Reported & Cited), by volume (Cases by Volume), by subject-matter (Subject-matter Index), by Cayman and overseas statutes considered (Legislation Construed), and by reference to the courts' use of the procedural rules (Grand Court Rules Construed).

Hard copies of the CILR may be purchased by non-Cayman residents directly from the publishers in the United Kingdom (Law Reports International, Eden House, 2 St. Aldate's Courtyard, Oxford OX1 1BN) or by Cayman residents through the secretary to the Chief Justice at (345) 244-3835 or Patricia.Palmer@gov.ky.

The Judicial Administration's website makes available, in electronic form, judgments taken from the printed CILR (www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky).

For other court records, please se above at 'Frequently asked questions'.

# **LISTS & REGISTERS**

The Judicial Administration maintains the following lists and registers. Many of these lists and registers are available on our website (www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky). If the list or register you are looking for is not on our website, please see above at 'Frequently asked questions' for guidance regarding access or contact our Information Manager at 345-244-3817 or by email at foi.jud@gov.ky for assistance.

### Lists:

- Judicial Officers
- Justices of the Peace
- Notaries Public
- Attorneys Licensed to Practise
- Law Firms

Daily Cause Lists

## Registers:

- Court of Appeal Criminal Register
- Court of Appeal Civil Register
- Register of Writs and other Originating Process
- Register of Judgments
- Register of Plaints and Summonses
- Register of Certificates of Decrees in Matrimonial Causes
- Register of Articles of Clerkship
- Asset register
- FOI disclosure log

### **OUR SERVICES**

The courts of the Cayman Islands administer justice in keeping with the Constitution, the Laws of the Islands and the well established principles of common law which have been developed by the local, the British and other courts of the Commonwealth of Nations.

Criminal proceedings for breaches of the Laws of the country are taken before the courts to be heard by a magistrate (in the case of proceedings before the Summary Court), or a judge, or judge and jury (at the election of the defendant) in the case of proceedings in the Grand Court. Generally, the more serious offences are tried on indictment in the Grand Court, although the Summary Court has jurisdiction to try serious drug charges and to impose very severe penalties in respect of such offences. Civil disputes having a subject matter of up to CI\$20,000.00 are also taken in the Summary Court.

The Grand Court, as a court of unlimited jurisdiction, tries all other types of civil disputes, including the most complex commercial and trust disputes which often arise in respect of Cayman Islands corporate or trust entities.

The work of the Grand Court is divided amongst five specialised divisions: the Civil Division, the Family Division, the Admiralty Division, the Financial Services Division and he Criminal Division.

The structure of the court system is hierarchical with appeals lying to the Court above at each stage. The Summary Court is the first in the hierarchy, followed by the Grand Court, the Court of Appeal and finally, Her Majesty's Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. There is a separate right of petition to the European Court of Human Rights for persons who reside in the Cayman Islands having regard to the extension of the European Convention on Human Rights to the Islands.

The procedure of the courts is largely governed by court rules. Applicable fees are set out in the court fees rules. The matters heard in court from day to day are set out in the cause lists.

The Judicial Administration also provides bailiff services and administers the legal aid system and the Maintenance and Affiliation Laws.

The following documents are available to assist the public in relation to the Judicial Administration's services. Many of these documents are available on our website (www.caymanjudicial-legalinfo.com.ky) or at our reception desk at the main Court building. If the document you are looking for is not on our website or at the reception desk, please contact our Information Manager at 345-244-3817 or by email at foi.jud@gov.ky for assistance.

- Being a juror
- Being a witness
- Being a litigant
- Applying for legal aid
- Instituting small claims
- Probate and administration
- Applying for child and spouse maintenance
- Applying for child custody
- Applying for adoptions
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- Bailiff services
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# **Publication Schemes**

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### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Governor's Office to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Governor's Office will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Governor's Office will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Governor's Office or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted 1 form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in *section 7: Categories of information*.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure could prejudice security, defence or international relations; violate the confidentiality of information given by a foreign government or international organization; the opinions, advice or recommendations prepared for Cabinet and records of consultations or deliberations of Cabinet; or documents that belong to the Government of the United Kingdom.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

<sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can visit our website at www.ukincayman.fco.gov.uk and select the search facility. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact Tom Hines, Governor's Office Information Manager at foi.gov@gov.ky or +1 345 244 2434.

#### <u>Email</u>

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at foi.gov@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call +1 345 244 2434 to request information.

#### <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Tom Hines, Information Manager, Governor's Office, Unit 202, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, The Smith Road Centre, Smith Road, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. PO Box 10261, KY1 1003.

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

## Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in section 7: Categories of information, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Tom Hines, Governor's Office Information Manager at foi.gov@gov.ky or +1 345 244 2434.

The Governor's Office will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Governor's Office is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Governor's Office strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, sent to you by email or in any other format that the information is held in will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Please note that the Governor's Office predominantly holds paper files and some electronic files. We do not keep audio or visual records.

All information provided as a result of a Freedom of Information request will be given <u>free of charge.</u>

## 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

If you want to make a request from the Governor's Office, you should initially look at the document library and the disclosure log to see if the information that you seek has already been published.

If you wish to make a request for information then you should contact the Information Manager or submit a request on-line at the FOI Unit website.

Requests must be in writing (letter, email or fax) and must include your name and an address (either postal or email). Please be as specific as possible about the information you would like, as this will help us to respond promptly. Where possible, please include a contact telephone number so that we can call to discuss your request if necessary.

We will respond to all requests promptly. The Law requires public authorities to respond within 30 calendar days, allowing an extension of an additional 30 calendar days if needed. We will always acknowledge receipt of FOI requests made to us and we will let you know if we need to extend the deadline. For detailed advice on what sorts of information is exempt please see the **FOI Unit website**.

#### 6. Complaints

The Governor's Office aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Tom Hines, Governor's Office Information Manager at foi.gov@gov.ky or +1 345 244 2434, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

## 7. Categories of information

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- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
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## **ABOUT US**

## Name of public authority

Governor's Office, Unit 202, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, The Smith Road Centre, Smith Road, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. PO Box 10261, KY1 1003. T: + 1 345 244 2434, F: +1 345 945 4131.

#### **Ministry**

N/A

## Principle officer [or Key staff]

Head of Governor's Office, Steve Moore, Steve.Moore@fco.gov.uk, +1 345 244 2425

## **Information Manager**

Staff Officer, Tom Hines, Tom.Hines@fco.gov.uk, + 1 345 244 2434

#### **Organisation and functions**

The Governor's Office supports the Governor in the performance of his functions as Her Majesty's representative in the Cayman Islands.

Location and hours	Matters handled
Governor's Office	The Governor's Office hold classes of information
Unit 202, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor,	corresponding with the Governor's constitutional
The Smith Road Centre,	responsibility and oversight of:
154 Smith Road,	- law & order, including the police.
George Town,	- good governance.
Grand Cayman,	- the civil service and the judiciary.
Cayman Islands.	- external affairs.
PO Box 10261	The Governor provides strategic policy direction of

KY1 1003

T: +1 345 244 2434 F: +1 345 945 4131

Information Manager: Tom Hines

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday, 8.30-5

these areas with most of the work being carried out, and documentation originated, elsewhere within the Cayman Islands Government system, such as in the Portfolio of Internal & External Affairs, the RCIPS or the Portfolio of the Civil Service. A proportion of the information held relates to the contractual or disciplinary situations surrounding individuals and cannot be released under FOI. Other classes of information relate to the work done liaising between the UK and the Cayman Islands where documents either originate within the UK Government (and are covered by the UK 's FOI legislation) or within the Cayman Islands Government.

The Governor's Office also holds information relating to budget, the administration and management of Government House, and the functions that are hosted there by the Governor for the people of the Cayman Islands.

#### **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Criminal Justice Strategy	- Various - TBC.	Please contact the Information
Management Group		Manager.

## Frequently asked questions

A Policy Guide for Government House is in draft form and will be finalised shortly. This document will contain a list of frequently asked questions which will be published at www.ukincayman.fco.gov.uk

The FCO publish a list of FAQs on its FOI pages at www.fco.gov.uk

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The Governor's Office is administered by the Governor who is answerable to the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs in the United Kingdom.

Key strategic goals and objectives for the Governor's Office [as agreed by the Governor with the FCO] cover areas of security and defence, good governance, managing contingent liabilities and ensuring international obligations are met, all taking into account the needs and situation of the Cayman Islands.

## Governance

Local laws and regulations that the Governor's Office adheres to include:

- National Archive and Public Records Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008

- Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)
- Immigration Law (2006 Revision) and Regulations
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision) and Regulations (2005 Revision)
- National Pensions Law (2000 Revision) and Regulations
- Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009
- Emergency Powers Law, (1997 Revision)
- Governor (Vesting of Lands) Law
- Consular Relations Law (1997 Revision)
- \* Copies can be obtained upon request from the Information Manager.
- \*\*We are also governed by many other laws and regulations imposed by the UK Government.

## **Corporate management**

The records that can be found in the Governor's Office include:

- Corporate plans
- Annual reports (FCO as a whole)
- Audit reports on overall operations or major projects
- Risk management assessments
- Business Continuity Plans Plans for business continuity, hazard management and disaster recovery.
- Specific subject files: Criminal Justice, Hazard Management, Finance, Tourism, Environment, Community, Governance, Project work, Constitution and Specific Issues.
- \* Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager
- \*\* Please note that some of the files and records kept by the Governor's Office are the property of the government of the United Kingdom and are covered by UK FOI legislation.

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

#### Financial management

- Finance and Accounting
- Annual Budget
- Financial statements; Half-yearly / quarterly reports
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures
- \* Copies can be obtained upon request from Information Manager
- \*\* Please note that some of the files and records kept by the Governor's Office are the property of the government of the United Kingdom and are covered by UK FOI legislation.
- \*\*\*The FCO publishes a full set of annual accounts at www.fco.gov.uk

#### Administration

- Press releases
- Job vacancies; career opportunities
- Scholarship programmes
- Records management file plan or classification scheme
- Training
- Health & Safety
- Information Technology
- Human Resources
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#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Further information on policies, procedures and other work undertaken by the Governor's Office can be found at www.ukincayman.fco.gov.uk

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Minutes of meetings
- Evaluation procedures
- Assessment criteria

#### LISTS & REGISTERS

FOI Disclosure Log

## **OUR SERVICES**

A full list of services provided as well as further information on the role of the Governor and the Governor's Office can be found on our website at www.ukincayman.fco.gov.uk This includes:

- Project and programme work
- Honours
- Passport applications
- Visa applications
- Consular services (what we can and cannot do).
- Scholarship programme

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## Office of the Auditor General

## **Publication Scheme**

## Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice

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This publication scheme commits the Office of the Auditor General ("the Audit Office" or "OAG") to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

## The Audit Office will:

- specify the information held by the Audit Office, which falls within the seven categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Audit Office will generally not publish:

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- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure

   for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted<sup>1</sup> form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible. However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Audit Office's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A copy of the record, with the exempt matter deleted in accordance with the National Archive's *Redaction Standard*.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

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#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on the Office of the Auditor General's website at <a href="www.auditorgeneral.gov.ky">www.auditorgeneral.gov.ky</a> and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact Mr. Garnet Harrison, Deputy Auditor General & Information Manager at (345) 244-3213 or by email at garnet.harrison@gov.ky or foi.aud@gov.ky.

#### Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at <a href="mailto:foi.aud@gov.ky">foi.aud@gov.ky</a> to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

## Phone/Fax

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone or fax. Please call the Information Manager at (345) 244-3213 to request information or fax (345) 945-7738.

#### Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Office of the Auditor General C/O Information Manager 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Anderson Square 64 Shedden Road, George Town Grand Cayman KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact the Information Manager at (345) 244-3213 or email <a href="mailto:garnet.harrison@gov.ky">garnet.harrison@gov.ky</a> or foi.aud@gov.ky.

The Audit Office will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Audit Office is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

Office hours are from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday. A board room is available for information to be inspected, when necessary.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Audit Office strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The Audit Office will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Audit Office has received your payment.

#### 5. Requests for information outside the publication scheme

Information held by the Audit Office that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing, by email, or fax. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

## 6. Complaints

The Audit Office aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact Mr. Garnet Harrison at (345) 244-3213 or email him at garnet.harrison@gov.ky or foi.aud@gov.ky, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from the Audit Office website or upon request from the Information Manager.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402

email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

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## Name of Public Authority

Office of the Auditor General

#### Senior Management

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Garnet Harrison, CA

Deputy Auditor General & Information Manager

Phone Number: (345) 244-3213 Email: <a href="mailto:garnet.harrison@gov.ky">garnet.harrison@gov.ky</a>

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Audit Manager (Information Manager Designate)

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Martin Ruben, CGA Audit Manager

Phone Number: (345) 244-3206 Email: martin.ruben@gov.ky

## **Organisation and functions**

The Office of the Auditor General of the Cayman Islands audits the government's operations and provides Parliament with independent information, advice, and assurance regarding the government's stewardship of public funds.

We are in the business of legislative auditing. We conduct performance audits of Government Ministries, Portfolios, Statutory Authorities and Government Companies. These audits include annual financial statement and statement of outputs delivered. In addition we carry out special examinations (value-for-money audits) that look into:

- 1. the management of executive financial transactions;
- 2. the financial management of any ministry, portfolio, statutory authority or government company or the Office of the Complaints Commissioner; and
- 3. the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which any ministry, portfolio, the Office of the Complaints Commissioner, statutory authority or government company has used its resources in discharging its functions;

We will also at the request of the Legislative Assembly or of one of its committees or subcommittees, provide advice and assistance to the Legislative Assembly.

In addition, if we are authorised in writing to do so by the Governor and it's in the public interest, conduct investigations into the financial management or affairs of persons, companies and other bodies.

The Auditor General of the Cayman Islands is an Officer of the Legislative Assembly who audits Government Ministries and Portfolios, most Statutory Authorities and Government Companies. The Auditor General reports publicly to the Legislative Assembly on matters that the Auditor General believes should be brought to its attention. The Auditor General's powers and responsibilities are set forth in legislation passed by Parliament.

## Contact Information:

Office of the Auditor General Cayman Islands Government 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Anderson Square 64 Shedden Road, George Town Grand Cayman KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Phone Number: (345) 244-3211 Fax Number: (345) 945-7738

Email Address: <a href="mailto:auditorgeneral@gov.ky"><u>auditorgeneral@gov.ky</u></a>
Website Address: <a href="mailto:www.auditorgeneral.gov.ky"><u>www.auditorgeneral.gov.ky</u></a>

Matters handled
All activities listed above
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#### **Boards and committees**

No Boards or committees have been established under the Office of the Auditor General. However, the Auditor General reports to the Public Accounts Committee, which is a standing committee of the Legislative Assembly.

## Frequently asked questions

- 1. Who audits the Auditor?
  - Currently, PricewaterhouseCoopers ("PwC") audits the financial statements and statements of outputs delivered of the Audit Office. This audit is carried out on an annual basis under the requirements of the *Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision)* section 44. PwC audit opinion is included in the Annual Report of the Audit Office.
- 2. How do I obtain an Auditor General's Report?

Reports of the Auditor General can be obtained several different ways from the Audit Office:

- website of the Auditor General at: www.auditorgeneral.gov.ky
- Email request to: auditorgeneral@gov.kv
- Post mail to:

Office of the Auditor General Cayman Islands Government 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Anderson Square 64 Shedden Road, George Town Grand Cayman KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS

3. How do I make a complaint against a government entity/employee that is abusing/wasting government resources?

A complaint can be made directly to the Auditor General. His contact information is:

Alastair Swarbrick, MA (Hons), CPFA

Auditor General

Phone Number: (345) 244-3201 Email: alastair.swarbrick@gov.ky

## **Employment Opportunities:**

The Office is looking for Caymanians who would like to join a dynamic organization committed to improving government operations in the Cayman Islands. Are you a Caymanian with a least two years post qualification experience? Would you like to join an organization that works within government to strengthen economy, efficiency, and accountability? If so, the Office of the Auditor General would like to speak to you. If you would like to talk about opportunities contact, <a href="mailto:alastair.swarbrick@gov.ky">alastair.swarbrick@gov.ky</a> or telephone 244-3201.

For application forms and job descriptions please visit the government website: <a href="https://www.gov.ky/recruitment">www.gov.ky/recruitment</a> or telephone 244-3213.

Please deliver application form and resume to:

Office of the Auditor General Cayman Islands Government 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Anderson Square 64 Shedden Road, George Town Grand Cayman KY1-9000 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Or fax to: 1-345-945-7738

Or email to: <a href="mailto:auditorgeneral@gov.ky">auditorgeneral@gov.ky</a>

#### STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The key strategic goals and objectives for the Audit Office are as follows:

- To develop and strengthen the Audit Office human resource capability in order to provide an effective and efficient audit service.
- To ensure that we meet the changing needs and expectations of our stakeholders by focussing our resources on matters offering the greatest potential to improve their performance and accountability.
- To continuously improve our own business management practices by identifying and giving priority to the most important risks.
- To enhance the independence of the Audit Office by assisting Government in developing a framework for the mandate and operations of Office of the Auditor General's Office via an Auditor General's Act.
- To enhance public accountability through the release of relevant and timely audit reports to all stakeholders.
- To meet the deadlines and commitments of the Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and the Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and the Personnel Regulations, 2006.

#### Governance

Under section 114 of the Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009, the Office of the Auditor General is established as outlined below:

#### **Auditor General**

- **114.**—(1) There shall be an Auditor General whose office shall be a public office, and power to make appointments to the office of Auditor General, and to remove or exercise disciplinary control over any person holding or acting in that office, is vested in the Governor, acting in his or her discretion.
- (2) The Auditor General may be removed from office only for inability to discharge the functions of his or her office (whether arising from infirmity of body or mind or any other cause) or for misbehaviour.
- (3) The Auditor General shall have the power and responsibility to audit the public accounts of the Cayman Islands and the accounts and financial dealings of all authorities, offices and departments of Government and of all courts, and the power to undertake value for money investigations in respect of the activities of such authorities, offices and departments.
- (4) The Auditor General, and any person authorised by him or her to act on his or her behalf, shall have access to all books, records, reports and other documents relating to the accounts referred to in subsection (3).
- (5) The functions of the Auditor General and the accountability of that post and the Audit Office shall be further prescribed by law.
- (6) In the exercise of his or her functions, the Auditor General (and any person acting on his or her behalf in the exercise of those functions) shall not be subject to the direction or control of any other person or authority, save that the Auditor General is answerable to the Public Accounts Committee of the Legislative Assembly and must attend upon the Committee at its request.
- (7) The Auditor General shall submit reports on his or her activities to the Public Accounts Committee of the Legislative Assembly at least twice every year and as requested by the Committee.

In addition, under sections 58-60 of the *Public Management & Finance Law (2005 Revision)* and as amended by the *Public Management & Finance (Amendment) (No. 2) Law, 2009*, the independence of the Auditor General is established and the powers and duties of the Auditor General as described below:

Independence 58. (1) In the performance of his duties or exercise of Auditor- of his powers under this or any other law, the Auditor-General shall not be subject to the direction or control of any person.

(2) The Auditor-General shall not be required to undertake any duty which is, in his opinion, incompatible with the duties imposed on him by this or any other law.

- (3)The Auditor-General shall not, whilst he holds that office, hold any other paid office or employment.
- If the Auditor-General is removed from office under section 114 (4) of the Constitution, a full statement of the circumstances shall be made at the first opportunity to the Legislative Assembly, and the Auditor-General shall have the right of reply which shall be exercised by way of written statement which shall be tabled in the Legislative Assembly by the Speaker.
- The Governor shall specify in writing the amount of the annual salary of the Auditor-General, and the Auditor-General shall be entitled to the salary so specified.

Appointment of acting Auditor-General

59. If in the opinion of the Governor, the Auditor-General is unable to perform the duties of his office during any period for any reason, the Governor shall appoint another person to act as the Auditor-General during that period.

#### Powers and Duties of Auditor-General

Powers and 60. The Auditor-General shall-

duties of conduct audits of the annual financial statements in

(a) Auditorrespect of-

General

(i) the core government and the entire public sector referred to in

section 29(2)(c); and

- (ii) every ministry, portfolio, statutory authority and government company referred to in sections 44(2)(e) and 51(2)(d):
- (b) conduct audits of the summary referred to in section 29(2)(b), the schedule referred to in section 29(2)(d) and the statement referred to in section 44(2)(a);
- (c) on his own initiative or at the request of the Legislative Assembly or of any of its committees or subcommittees, conduct investigations and value for money audits into
  - the management of executive financial transactions;
  - the financial management of any ministry, portfolio, statutory authority or government company or the Office of the Complaints Commissioner; and
  - the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which any ministry, portfolio, the Office of the Complaints Commissioner, statutory authority or government company has used its resources in discharging its functions and in its financial dealings;
- (d) at the request of the Legislative Assembly or of one of its committees or subcommittees, provide advice and assistance to the Legislative Assembly or to any of its committees or subcommittees; and
- (e) if he is authorised in writing to do so by the Governor in the public interest, conduct investigations into the financial management or affairs of persons, companies and bodies other than those referred to in paragraphs (a) to (d).

## Other significant Laws & Regulations that govern how the Audit Office operates are:

- Finance Regulations (2008 Revision)
- Legislative Assembly Standing Orders Law (section 77)
- Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision)
- Personnel Regulations, 2006

## **Records Management:**

- Freedom of Information Law 2007
- Freedom of Information Regulations 2008
- National Achieve and Public Records Law
- Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Record Management

#### **Corporate Management**

Annual Plan & Estimates (available on the Audit Office website)
Annual Budget Statements (available on the Audit Office website)
Annual Reports (available on the Audit Office website)
Hazard Management Plan 2010 (available on the Audit Office website)

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

In administering the Audit Office's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively this includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

#### **Financial management**

- Annual Budget Statement
- Annual Report
- Finance and Accounting Records\*
- Accounting procedures; Contracting procedures\*
- Consultancy Contracts\*
- International Public Sector Accounting Standards\*
- International Financial Reporting Standards\*

#### Administration

- Job vacancies; career opportunities\*
- Staff pay and grading structures \*
- Records management file plan or classification scheme \*
- Human Resource Policy & Procedures Manual\*
- Press releases

<sup>\*</sup>Copies/Inspection can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

# \*Copies/Inspection can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

#### **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

The current written protocols used by the authority for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services are as follow:

 Office of the Auditor General Human Resource Management Policies and Procedures Manual (Revised November 16, 2009). Available for inspection.

## Part A: Purpose and Responsibilities

- 1. Introduction
- 2. HR Roles and Responsibilities within the Audit Office

#### Part B: General HR Policies

- 3. The Audit Office's HR Management Philosophy
- 4. Terms and Conditions of Employment in the Audit Office
- 5. Work Hours and Attendance
- 6. Pay Periods and Method
- 7. Audit Office Workplace Rules
- 8. Performance Management in the Audit Office
- 9. Training and Capability Development in the Audit Office
- 10. Induction of Staff New to the Audit Office
- 11. Access to Personnel Files
- 12. Health and Safety in the Audit Office
- 13. Promotion of Values, Code of Conduct and Workplace Rules in the Audit Office
- 14. The Audit Office's Relationship with CICSA

## Part C: Specific HR Procedures and Related Policies

#### Appointment Processes

- 15. Recruitment and Appointment of Staff to Positions within the Audit Office
- 16. Reappointment of Staff on Fixed-Term Employment Agreements
- 17. Reappointment of Staff Who Have Reached Retirement Age
- 18. Appointment of Staff to Acting or Interim Positions within the Audit Office

#### Performance Management Processes

- 19. Preparation of Annual Performance Agreements
- 20. Conduct of Interim (Half-Year) Performance Assessments
- 21. Conduct of Annual Performance Assessments
- 22. Assessment and Payment of Performance Related Pay

## Discipline and Termination Processes

- 23. Determining Which Disciplinary, Dismissal or Other Termination Action to Initiate
- 24. Disciplining Staff for Minor Misconduct or Inadequate Performance
- 25. Dismissing Staff for Serious Misconduct or Significant Inadequate Performance
- 26. Dismissing Staff for Gross Misconduct Not Involving Criminal Activity
- 27. Suspending & Dismissing Staff for Gross Misconduct Involving Criminal Activity within the Workplace

- 28. Suspending & Dismissing Staff for Gross Misconduct Involving Criminal Activity Outside the Workplace
- 29. Retiring Staff Early on Medical Grounds
- 30. Retiring Staff to Improve the Organisation
- 31. Making Staff Redundant
- 32. Terminating Staff Who Lose their Qualification, License or Certification

## Capability Development Processes

- 33. Staff Training & Development Procedures
- 34. Approval of Staff Training Involving Study Leave
- 35. Induction Training
- 36. Succession Planning

## Grievance and Appeals Processes

- 37. Grievance Procedure
- 38. Appeals to the Auditor General

#### Administrative HR Processes

- 39. Personnel Records
- 40. Leave Management and Recording
- 41. Maintenance of Employee & Payroll Data in HR IRIS
- 42. Payroll Processes
- 43. Administration of Health Benefits/CINICO Health Insurance
- 44. Provision of Employee-Related Information
- 45. Management of Work Place Injuries

Annex: Office of the Auditor General Workplace Rules

 Complaint's Handling Policy (Internal Complaint's Process August 1, 2006). Available on the Audit Office website.

#### **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Senior Management Meeting Minutes\*
- Staff Meeting Minutes\*

## **LISTS & REGISTERS**

- Freedom of information disclosure log. Available on the Audit Office website.
- Fixed Asset Register\*: Categories Computer Hardware, Office Equipment, Furniture & Fixtures.

<sup>\*</sup>Copies/Inspection can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

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#### **General Nature of Activities**

We provide independent audit services to the Legislative Assembly, comprising of information, advice and assurance on whether Government's activities have been carried out and accounted for in accordance with the Legislature's intention and with due regard to securing value-formoney and the avoidance of waste.

## **Scope of Activities**

Financial statement attests services:

- Entire Public Sector (EPS) consolidated financial statements
- The financial statements of Ministries, Portfolios, Statutory Authorities, Government companies and certain non-public funds.

Special investigation services, value-for-money audits, and the production of Auditor General Reports to either the Legislative Assembly and/or to management into:

- Management of executive financial transactions
- Financial management of EPS or of any Ministry, Portfolio, Statutory Authority or Government Company
- Economy, efficiency, effectiveness in the way any Ministry, Portfolio, agency or Statutory Authority has used its resources in discharging its functions
- Management of information systems
- Accounting and other specialist technical advice to Chief Officers
- Matters of public interest suggested by the Governor, Legislative Assembly, Public Accounts Committee or Cabinet

Enhancement of public accountability through assistance and advice provided to the Public Accounts Committee on outstanding Auditor General Reports tabled:

Support Services to the National Hurricane Committee and Hazard Management through advice and assistance.

From these activities an Auditor General Report is generally produced and made a public document. The following list is the Auditor General Reports that have been produced in the past and are publicly available on the Audit Office's website, unless otherwise noted:

- Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Government of the Cayman Islands for the year ended 30 June 2004.
- Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Government of the Cayman Islands for Six-Month Period Ended 31 December 2003
- Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Government of the Cayman Islands for the year ended 31 December 2002
- Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Government of the Cayman Islands for the year ended 31 December 2001
- The State of Public Finances Report of the Auditor General September 2001

- Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Government of the Cayman Islands for the year ended 31 December 1999
- Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Government of the Cayman Islands for the year ended 31 December 1998
- Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Government of the Cayman Islands for the year ended 31 December 1997
- Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Government of the Cayman Islands for the ended 31 December 1996
- Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Government of the Cayman Islands for the year ended 31 December 1995

## **Special Reports:**

- General Report of the Auditor General on Financial and Performance Reporting (December 2010)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on the State of Financial Accountability Reporting (Update) (April 2010)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on the Review of the Legal Aid Program (March 2010)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on Internal Audit's Report of the Fuel Card Usage and Management (March 2010)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on Loans and Expenditures of Funds at Boatswain's Beach (October 2009)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on the Review of Expenditures for Operations Tempura and Cealt (October 2009)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on the Review of Gasoline Charges Incurred by Pedro St. James and the Policies and Procedures in Place for the Period of July 2003 to April 2007 (January 2009)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on the Purchase of a Helicopter by the Royal Cayman Islands Police (October 2008)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on the Scrap Metal Tender and Contract with Matrix International Inc. (August 2008)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on the State of Financial Accountability Reporting (April 2008)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on the Review of the Debt Financing Arrangement's For Boatswain's Beach (June 2007)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on the Cayman Islands Government's Property Insurance Settlement – Post Ivan (February 2007)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on the Royal Watler Cruise Terminal Capital Project (January 2006)
- National Housing and Community Development Trust Special Forensic Audit Final Report (August 2005)
- National Housing and Community Development Trust Special Forensic Audit Preliminary Report (June 2005)

- Special Report of the Auditor General on the Affordable Housing Initiative (August 2004 & subsequent event update January 2005). The Report is not a public document at this time. The Report was submitted to the Legislative Clerk on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2005 and is aimed at informing Legislators and the public of the numerous issues affecting the Affordable Housing Initiative. The Public Accounts Committee has yet to deal with this Report and table it in the Legislative Assembly for it to become a public document.
- Report of the Auditor General on the Government Office Accommodation Project's Private Financing Initiative (PFI) – Report 1: Has the Ministry made the project objective's clear? (October 2003)
- Special Report of the Auditor General on Caribbean Utilities Company Ltd. (October 2003)
- Report of the Auditor General Summer 2001 (various value-for-money audits)
- Public Service Pension Fund Financial Statement For the Year Ended 31 December 2009 Report of the Auditor General

## Other Records in Support of the Audit Office Work:

- Financial Statement Audit Files\*
- Output Audit Files\*
- Value For Money Audit Files\*
- Information Technology Audit Files\*
- Permanent Audit Files\*
- Correspondence Files\*
- Board Minute (Statutory Authorities & Government Companies) Files (copies of Board minutes only – records to be obtained directly from Statutory Authority or Government Company)
- General Files\*
- Office Administration Files\*

<sup>\*</sup>Copies/Inspection can be obtained upon request from Information Manager

All documents can be obtained by writing or calling our Information Manager or his Designate at the below addresses between the hours of 8:30am and 5:00 pm, Monday to Friday.

## **Information Manager**

Garnet Harrison, CA

Deputy Auditor General & Information Manager

Phone Number: (345) 244-3213 Fax Number: (345) 945-7738 Email: <a href="mailto:garnet.harrison@gov.ky">garnet.harrison@gov.ky</a> FOI email: <a href="mailto:foi.aud@gov.ky">foi.aud@gov.ky</a>

Website: www.auditorgeneral.gov.ky

Freedom of Information Website: http://foi.gov.ky

## **Designate:**

Patrick Smith, CPA

Audit Manager (Information Manager Designate)

Phone Number: (345) 244-3204 Fax Number: (345) 945-7738 Email: <u>patrick.smith@gov.ky</u> FOI email: foi.aud@gov.ky

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# Office of the Complaints Commissioner

## **Publication Schemes**

## Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing

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#### 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public.

The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Office of the Complaints Commissioner to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Office of the Complaints Commissioner will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;

- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Office of the Complaints Commissioner will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Office of the Complaints Commissioner, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Office of the Complaints Commissioner's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Please note that under the Complaints Commissioner Law (2006 Revision) s.14(2), all investigations shall be conducted in private, and the procedure is determined by the Commissioner.

Section 16(1) of the Law notes that "[i]nformation obtained by the Commissioner or his officers in the course of or for the purposes of an investigation shall not be disclosed except (a) for the purposes of the investigation and of any report to be made on the investigation; (b) for the purposes of proceedings (or possible proceedings) for an offence of perjury connected with an investigation; or (c) for the purposes of any proceedings under section 15". It may be helpful to also note that section 3(7) of The Freedom of Information Law, 2007 notes that "[n]othing in this Law shall be read as abrogating the provisions of any other Law that restricts access to records."

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

#### Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at www.occ.gov.ky. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact the Office of the Complaints Commissioner on 345-943-2220.

## Email

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at caymancomplaints@yahoo.com to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call 345-943-2220 to request information.

## Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

202 Piccadilly Centre 28 Elgin Avenue P.O. Box 2252 Grand Cayman KY1-1107 Cayman Islands

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See *section 4: Fees and charges* for further details.)

#### Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

#### Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact the OCC's Information Manager at 345-943-2220.

The Office of the Complaints Commissioner will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Office of the Complaints Commissioner is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

Any and all information listed on our website can be obtained by contacting the Information Manager by telephone on 345-943-2220 or by email at caymancomplaints@yahoo.com. The Office of the Complaints Commissioner would be pleased to provide you with copies of all documents in the format of your choice.

## 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Office of the Complaints Commissioner strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided <u>free of charge</u>.

There is no application fee for requesting documents from the Office of the Complaints Commissioner. Nor are there fees charged for coming to view documents at our premises. However a requestor may be required to pay copying of change of format fees. Details concerning costs and payment are outlined below and are also contained in the FOI Regulations which are available on the FOI Website http://www.foi.gov.ky/portal/page?pageid=1206,1&\_dad=portal@\_schema=PORTAL.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Office of the Complaints Commissioner has received your payment.

#### Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

#### Postage costs

The Office of the Complaints Commissioner will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Office of the Complaints Commissioner.

#### 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Office of the Complaints Commissioner that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing to our postal address or to our email address

(http://www.occ.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1227,3506489&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL). Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

## 6. Complaints

The Office of the Complaints Commissioner aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact the Office of the Complaints Commissioner at our postal address P.O. Box 2252, Grand Cayman KY1-1107, in person at 202 Piccadilly Centre, 28 Elgin Avenue, or by email at caymancomplaints@yahoo.com, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from http://www.occ.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1227,3506490&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals@ico.gov.ky

#### 7. Categories of information

- About Us
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#### **ABOUT US**

# Name of public authority

Office of the Complaints Commissioner

## **Ministry**

As stated in the Constitution, "In the exercise of his functions, the Complaints Commissioner shall not be subject to the direction or control of any other person or authority."

## **Principle Officer**

Complaints Commissioner Ms. Nicola Williams

#### **Information Manager**

Ms. Netha Ebanks (Julie Faulknor-Grant Acting IM until January 2011), Office of the Complaints Commissioner, P.O. Box 2252, Grand Cayman KY1-1107, 345-943-2220 (www.foi.gov.ky)

## **Organisation and functions**

The aim of the Office of the Complaints Commissioner is to investigate in a fair and independent manner complaints against government to ascertain whether injustice has been caused by improper, unreasonable or inadequate government administrative conduct and to ascertain the inequitable or unreasonable nature or operation of any enactment or rule of law.

Physical Address: 202 Piccadilly Centre, 28 Elgin Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Georgetown

Grand Cayman

Postal Address: P.O. Box 2252, Grand Cayman KY1-1107

Telephone: 345-943-2220 Fax: 345-943-2221

Email: caymancomplaints@yahoo.com

Location and hours	Matters handled
	The OCC has jurisdiction over any government
The Office of the Complaints	Ministry, Company, Department, Portfolio,
Commissioner is open to the public from	Statutory Board or Authority. The Complaints
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through	Commissioner does not take a side in the dispute
Friday or by appointment at 202 Piccadilly	but provides an evaluation of the circumstances
Centre, 28 Elgin Avenue, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor,	involved. The Office can assist in resolving the
George Town Grand Cayman	dispute, recommend improvements in
	procedures and rules and highlight what is
	already good in government service.

#### **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes	
There are no Boards or			
committees associated			
with the Office of the			
Complaints Commissioner			

#### Frequently asked questions

Listed below are some of the frequently asked questions about the Office of the Complaints Commissioner. A more detailed list is available at on our website http://www.occ.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1227,1639242&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

What authority does the Complaints Commissioner's Office (OCC) have to deal with complaints?

The OCC was established pursuant to the Complaints Commissioner Law, 2003 with the power and authority to investigate in a fair and independent manner written complaints to ascertain whether injustice has been caused by improper, unreasonable or inadequate government administrative conduct.

## Can the OCC investigate authorities such as the Water Authority, Civil Aviation, Port Authority or, Cayman Airways?

Yes, the OCC has jurisdiction over any government ministry, company, department, portfolio, statutory board or authority.

## Where do I go to complain?

Residents can come to the Complaints Commissioner's office to register their complaint or they can make arrangements to have someone from the office meet with them.

## How long does it take to solve a complaint?

Depending on the nature of the complaint the OCC strives to reach a conclusion within a three-week period. Due to the complexity of some cases the period can be extended by many weeks.

## Are complainant's details made public?

Investigations are conducted in private. Confidentiality is maintained in the course of the OCC investigation. The Government department involved will know the name of the complainant, as they will need to produce the relevant files and answer questions.

### What is done with anonymous complaints?

The OCC does not act on anonymous complaints. However these complaints are read to determine if a pattern of misconduct can be found. If so, an own motion investigation can be commenced.

## Is the Complaints Commissioner's Office part of the Cayman Islands Government?

The OCC is funded by the Legislative Assembly and does not answer to the governing party or any minister. It has been established in such a way as to protect the independence of this office.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

The Office of the Complaints Commissioner has no strategic management documents.

#### Governance

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Public Service Management Law

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Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) and Personnel Regulations (2006 Revision)



National Archive and Public Records Law 2007



Freedom of Information Law 2007



Freedom of Information Regulations 2008



Public Management and Finance Law (2005 Revision) and (Regulations 2007 Revision)

## **Corporate management**

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Policy and Procedures Manual

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**Organisational Chart** 

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Records management file plan and disposal plan (once approved by CINA)

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FOI disclosure log

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering our internal functions and managing our resources efficiently and effectively. Includes the management of monetary resources; material resources; human resources; information resources; and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies. The following documents are available on our website:

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Quarterly newsletter

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**Internal Complaints Process** 

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Annual budget statement

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Fixed Asset register

## **INVESTIGATIVE**

Investigating as the result of a signed complaint form from the public or through an own motion investigation, potential maladministration by government entities and monitoring any recommendations made to those entities. Please follow the link below to view the Office of the Complaints Commissioner's Own motion reports, special reports and extraordinary reports. Summaries and statistics on our investigations are also available in our Annual Reports. http://www.occ.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1227,1639183&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

## **Own Motion Reports**



OM Report Number 15 – Penny Pinching Pensions



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OM Report Number 13 – Appropriate Disposal of Electronic Data Storage Containers

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人	Special Report – Written Complaints number C0708-10917
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人	Extraordinary Report – Liquor Licensing Board – Written complaint number 60
人	Special Report – 10344 – Immigration Department and Refused Entry
人	Special Report – Existence of Internal Complaints Processes in Government Entities in 2007
٨	Special Report – Existence of Internal Complaints Processes in Government Entities in 2006
人	Special Report – Immigration Computer Alert System
人	Special Report – Immigration Customer service

# **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

See administrative documents listed above.

# **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Office of the Complaints Commissioner has no decision or recommendations documents.

## **LISTS & REGISTERS**

The Office of the Complaints Commissioner has no decision or recommendations documents.

#### **OUR SERVICES**

The aim of the Office of the Complaints Commissioner is to investigate in a fair and independent manner complaints against government to ascertain whether injustice has been caused by improper, unreasonable or inadequate government administrative conduct and to ascertain the inequitable or unreasonable nature or operation of any enactment or rule of law.

If you wish to lodge a complaint, a complaint form is available on our website or can be obtained by contacting us on 943-2220.



Complaint Form

All documents used by this office have been listed under either the administrative or investigative categories above.



## Information Commissioner's Office

## **Publication Schemes**

# Produced in accordance with the Deputy Governor's Code of Practice on Publishing Updated and published on 5 January 2011

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## 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme under the Freedom of Information Law.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

## The ICO will:

specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;

- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme;
- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme:
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

## 2. Information that may be withheld

The Information Commissioner's Office will generally <u>not</u> publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Information Commissioner's Office, or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorized disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.
- operational information relating to appeals filed with the ICO will not be published. For cases that are mediated, when practicable, we will publish a short summary of the facts on our website in the *Document Library* under 'Mediation Summaries'. In relation to formal Hearings, the Information Commissioner's decision will be published and available to the public, both on our website as well as in hardcopy from our offices.
- records relating to an ongoing investigation being conducted by the ICO. Instead where appropriate, a copy of the final report will be published on the website as well as available in hard copy.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible. However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: where disclosure would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Information Commissioner's Office (or another organizations), commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

Whenever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

## 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

The Information Commissioner's Office will endeavor to publish all information listed in this publication scheme on our website. Alternatively, any records listed will also be available in hardcopy from our offices. If a specific document is not available in either of these formats it will have a notation beside it that informs you of its status. In rare circumstances, published information may only be available for viewing in-person. Records that fall under this category will be specifically identified.

Please note that there may be a reproduction charge for physical copies of records. See Sections 4: Fees and charges below for further details.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

# Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can search our website for the information you seek at **www.INFOCOMM.ky**. If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact the Information Commissioner's Office at (345) 747-5402 or email us at info@infocomm.ky

# <u>Email</u>

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at **foi.ico@gov.ky** to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

#### Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call **(345) 747-5402** to request information.

# Post

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

Information Commissioner's Office Attn: Information Manager P.O. Box 1375 Grand Cayman KY1-1108 CAYMAN ISLANDS

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number

so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

# Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

## Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact (345) 747-5402 or email us at info@infocomm.ky

The Information Commissioner's Office will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Information Commissioner's Office is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Information Commissioner's Office strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on a computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

## Reproduction costs

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$1.00 per page (black and white; any size) and \$1.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

# Postage costs

The Information Commissioner's Office will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Information Commissioner's Office has received your payment.

A full list of possible fees is outlined in the *Freedom of Information (General) Regulations 2008*. A copy of this document is available on our website under the *Laws and Regulations* section.

# 5. Requests for information outside the publication scheme

Information held by the Information Commissioner's Office that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme can be requested in writing. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Law.

Further information on making an FOI Request can be found on our website in the *FOI* section.

# 6. Complaints

The Information Commissioner's Office aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, or if you have made an FOI request and are unsatisfied with any aspect of the response and/or service provided, please contact the Deputy Information Commissioner at 747-5402. We will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our Customer Service Policy and general complaints procedures can also be obtained from our website in the Contact Us section; under Customer Service Policy.

You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain directly to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response. (Please note that as the ICO oversees the appeals filed under the FOI Law, the Deputy Information Commissioner will deal directly with any Internal Review issues for the ICO. He can be contacted by phone at (345) 747-5402 or by email at <a href="mailto:info@infocomm.ky">info@infocomm.ky</a>. Also, in the first instance all appeals are vetted through an ICO Analyst who can help guide you through the process.)

**Information Commissioner's Office** 

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George Town, Grand Cayman

Mailing Address: PO Box 1375

**Grand Cayman KY1-1108** 

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** 

Telephone: (345) 747-5402

Email: <u>info@infocomm.ky</u>

# 7. Categories of Information

- About Us
- Strategic Management
- Finance & Administration
- Policies & Procedures
- Decisions & Recommendations
- Lists & Registers
- Our Services



Information Commissioner - Mrs. Jennifer Dilbert

Deputy Information Commissioner - Mr. Jan Liebaers

Operations Administrator / Registrar of Hearings – Mrs. Pasha Delahunty

Office Manager / Information Manager – Ms. Christina Smith

Intake Analyst – Mr. Sonji Myles

The Information Commissioner's Office is an independent entity responsible for monitoring compliance with the FOI Law. Individuals denied access or who believe their request was mishandled may appeal the matter to the Information Commissioner, who has the authority to review the matter, make all findings of fact and law, and issue a binding decision. The Information Commissioner is also responsible for promoting general awareness of the FOI Law, the public's rights and the obligations of government under the Law.

## The Information Commissioner may:

- (a) Hear, investigate and rule on appeals filed under the Freedom of Information Law
- (b) Monitor and report on the compliance by public authorities with their obligations under the Law
- (c) Make recommendations for reform both of a general nature and directed at specific public authorities
- (d) Refer to the appropriate authorities cases where it appears that a criminal offence has been committed
- (e) Publicise the requirements of the Law and the right of individuals under it.

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foi.ico@gov.ky

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## **Boards and committees**

The Information Commissioner's Office does not oversee any boards at this time.

# Frequently asked questions (FAQ's)

Who can request information?

What qualifies as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Law?

What information can I ask for?

Can I request records anonymously?

Do I have to tell the government why I want the information?

How quickly will I get a response to a request I make?

How much does it cost to make an FOI Request?

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What if I don't like the response I get from the Public Authority?

How do I file an Appeal with the Information Commissioner's Office?

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Do I need a lawyer to file an Appeal with the ICO?

How long does it take to get a decision after a formal Hearing before the Commissioner?

What is mediation?

# Q: Who can request information?

Anyone can request information regardless of nationality, physical location or age.

# Q: What qualifies as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Law?

In order for a request for records to qualify as a request under the FOI Law it must meet two criteria:

1. You must make your request in writing, which includes email.

2. The request must contain enough information to enable the public authority to indentify the records.

More information on how to make a request can be found under the *FOI* section of our website. Here you can also download a copy of our FOI Request form however it is not mandatory that you use the form.

#### Q: What information can I ask for?

You may request any <u>records</u> that the government holds however in some cases the government may be able to legitimately withhold some records from you according to certain limited exemptions under the FOI Law. For example they could withhold records if the release of the records could reasonably be expected to affect the conduct of an investigation or if it would be likely to endanger the physical or mental health of an individual.

# Q: Can I request records anonymously?

Yes. You do not have to supply your real name, and can ask that a copy of the records be sent to an email address. Of course if you are asking for your own personal information you would not be able to be anonymous because in most cases only you would have rightful access to that information.

More information on how to make a request can be found under the *FOI* section of our website. Here you can also download a copy of our *FOI Request Form* however it is not mandatory that you use the form.

# Q: Do I have to tell the government why I want the information?

No, you do not have to tell the government why you want the information but in some cases a little background information may assist the public authority in identifying the records you request.

# Q: How quickly will I get a response to a request I make?

Public Authorities must reply to an FOI request within 30 calendar days however in some cases this time may be extended by another 30 calendar days.

# Q: How much does it cost to make an FOI Request?

It costs nothing to make an FOI request however a public authority may charge a fee for copying and shipping the records. If you do not have the means to pay for the records you may request that the public authority waive the fees.

Please note that some public authorities collect fees for documents and records they routinely provide the public. Making an FOI request to those authorities will not enable you to obtain copies of records at a discounted rate as their prescribed fees will prevail.

For more information on the types of fees that can be applied, please refer to the Freedom of Information (General) Regulations which are available on our website under the *Laws and Regulations* section.

# Q: What if I don't like the response I get from the Public Authority?

Do not be put off if the Public Authority refuses to give you all or part of the records you are seeking to obtain. You may even be told that the Authority is not obliged under the FOI Law to provide you with the records you are seeking access to. If for **ANY** reason you remain dissatisfied with the response (or indeed lack of response) by the Public Authority to your request, you should appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office. In some cases you will need to go back to the public authority and ask that they conduct an Internal Review. In other cases you may come directly to this office. If at any time you are unsure about the next steps you need to take, contact us and we can point you in the right direction.

If your complaint related more to how you have been treated generally, then you should make a complaint under the public authority's internal complaints, or customer service, procedure. The public authority should be able to provide you with a complaints form for this purpose, together with details of their internal complaints procedure.

The ICO Customer Service Policy is available on our website under the *Contact Us* section. Alternatively, paper copies of both the policy and form can be obtained from our offices.

# Q: How do I file an Appeal with the Information Commissioner's Office?

To file an appeal with this office you must do so in writing. Send us a letter outlining the nature of your appeal and be sure to include a copy of your initial request and copy of any responses from the public authority (including any Internal Review responses if applicable). You will receive a confirmation letter from us upon receipt of your appeal.

# Q: Do I need a lawyer to file an Appeal with the ICO?

No - while it is entirely up to you if you wish to use legal representation it is not a requirement under FOI Law. It is the responsibility of the Public Authority to defend its use of exemptions under the Law and/or demonstrate that it complied with all its obligations under the Law. Normally, applicants are required only to provide a written submission to the Commissioner for the purposes of any subsequent formal Hearing, but this is simply a statement outlining your position on the case and need not be in legal terms or jargon. Should you choose to retain a lawyer, then you will be liable for your legal costs.

# Q: How long does it take to get a decision after a formal Hearing before the Commissioner?

There are internal policies as well as statutory obligations that help guide the timelines of an Appeal that goes to formal Hearing. It is the policy of the ICO to attempt to mediate (see below) all appeals filed with this office in the first instance. Whilst the mediation process is not time defined, since each case needs to be considered according to its own merits, ICO staff will always try to resolve the matter as quickly as possible. Should the mediation fail, the Applicant may then request a formal Hearing before the Commissioner. Once the dates for the Hearing are agreed by both parties, approximately 25 days are allocated for the submissions and exchanges of submissions. Once this is complete, the Registrar of Hearing will close the Hearing and the issue will go to the Commissioner for a decision. The Commissioner has 30 calendar days to provide a decision, however this time may be extended a further 30 days if required.

# Q: What is mediation?

Mediation is a method by which an impartial third party attempts to achieve an amicable settlement of a situation between two parties. The style of mediation or resolution adopted involves ICO staff having confidential, or "without prejudice", discussions with both the Applicant and the Public Authority in order to ascertain if there is a way to reach an agreed solution to the case. This informal process keeps costs and time spent to a minimum in most instances and has already proved highly effective in avoiding unnecessary referral of cases to formal Hearing. The Applicant may at any time during the mediation process opt to proceed to a formal Hearing.

# STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Administering the authority's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the authority's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

## Governance

High-level documents that inform and direct the functions and activities of the authority.

- Freedom of Information Law (2007)
- Freedom of Information (General) Regulations (2008)
- Freedom of Information (Information Commissioner) Regulations (2008)
- The Freedom of Information Law, 2007 (Commencement) Order (2008)
- Public Service Management Law (2007)
- Public Service Personnel (Regulations) (2006)
- Public Management and Finance Law (2005)
- Financial Regulations (2008 Revision)
- Public Service Pensions Law (2004)
- Public Service Pensions Regulations (2004 Revision)
- Public Holidays Law (2007 Revision)
- National Archives and Public Records Law (2007)
- National Archives and Public Records (Regulations) 2007
- Health Insurance Law (2005 Revision)

# **Corporate management**

High-level documents that plan and evaluate the work of the authority.

# Reports – Operational

- Operational Plan & 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report: January 4<sup>th</sup> March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009
- Operational Plan & 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report: April 1<sup>st</sup> June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009
- Operational Plan & 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report: July 1<sup>st</sup> September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009
- Operational Plan & 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Report: October 1<sup>st</sup> December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009
- Operational Plan & 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report: January 1<sup>st</sup> March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010
- Operational Plan & 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report April 1<sup>st</sup> June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010
- 2010 / 2011 Operational Plan & 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report: July 1<sup>st</sup> September 30<sup>th</sup>
- 2010 / 2011 Operational Plan & 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report: October 1<sup>st</sup> December 31<sup>st</sup>

## Reports – Annual & Half Year

- Cayman Islands Government Annual Report (A link to this report is available on our website)
- Information Commissioner's 2009 Annual Report
- Information Commissioner's 2010 Half Year Report: January June, 2010

# Reports – Compliance

- 2009 ICO 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Compliance Report
- 2009 ICO 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Compliance Report
- 2009 ICO 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Compliance Report
- 2009 ICO 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Compliance Report
- 2009 Annual Compliance Report
- 2010 ICO 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Compliance Report
- 2010 ICO 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Compliance Report
- 2010 ICO 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Compliance Report
- 2010 ICO 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Compliance Report
- 2010 Annual Compliance Report

# Reports – Right to Know Week

- 2009 Right to Know Week Project Summary
- 2010 Right to Know Week Project Summary

# Reports - Publicity Tracking

Public Relations Tracking 2009 - 2010

# Recommendations

■ ICO Law Review Recommendations 2010 (presented to Committee of the House in September 2010 – will not be publically available until Law Review of the Legislature is completed and the report has been tabled)

## **Plans**

- ICO Hurricane Preparedness Plan (updated annually)
- 2009 Hazard Management Plan for Records
- Montpellier Fire Evacuation Plan

## FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Administering the authority's internal functions and managing its resources efficiently and effectively. Includes records pertaining to the management of monetary resources, material resources, human resources, information resources, and relationships with clients, the public and other government agencies.

# Financial management

Documents relating to the administration of the authority's monetary resources – including projected and actual income and expenditure; tendering; procurement; and contracts.

- Invoices
- Vendor Files
- Petty Cash Reports
- Credit Card Statements

- Financial Ledgers
- Financial Reports (These are generated by computer based on the parameters given)
- ICO Budget (A link to our part of the overall government budget is available on our website)

## Administration

Documents relating to other administrative functions carried out within the authority – including buildings, equipment & vehicles; communications; human resources; information & technology management.

- Press Releases
- Employment Opportunities (these are listed on our website and advertised locally when applicable)
- ICO Organizational Chart
- ICO Salary Scale
- ICO Team Meeting Minutes
- ICO File Plan (Not currently published in its entirety)
- Brac House Lease
- Montpellier Lease (This document is not held by the ICO)
- Office Plant Plan & Watering Schedule
- Job Descriptions
- Biographies

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Current written protocols used by the authority for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services.

#### **Policies**

- Customer Service Policy
- Policies & Procedures: Appeals
- Policies & Procedures: Mediation
- ICO Media Protocol
- Disabled Access to Building Policy

## Manuals

- ICO Induction Manual
- ICO Internal Training Manual
- Hearing Guidance Manual
- ICO Intake Manual

# **Guidance Notes**

- The Different Roles and Duties of the Freedom of Information Unit and the Information Commissioner's Office
- Public Authorities Tips for a Reasonable Search
- Instructions for a Written Hearing
- Why Mediate?
- Mediation Tips for the Public

#### **Presentations & Seminars**

ICO Information Pack 2009

- PowerPoint Presentation Data Protection
- IM Network Meeting 2009
- IM Network Meeting 2010
- ICO General Information PowerPoint Presentations (altered for each audience full list available upon request)
- Judicial Review Seminar 2010
- ICO IM Seminar Series 2010

#### **Mediation Summaries**

- Mediation Summaries: January June 2009
- Mediation Summaries: July October 2009
- Mediation Summaries: January June 2010
- Mediation Summaries: July December 2010

#### Forms & Booklets

(The documents listed below are available online as well as in hardcopy at many public authorities as well as the ICO)

- ICO Appeal Form
- FOI Request Form
- List of Public Authorities & FOI Contact Details
- Customer Service Form
- Employment Application Form
- ICO Promotional Flyer

#### **Newsletters**

- ICON 1<sup>st</sup> Edition, September 2009
- ICON 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, December 2009
- ICON 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, March 2010
- ICON 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, June 2010
- ICON 5<sup>th</sup> Edition, September 2010
- ICON 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, December 2010

## **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decision-making processes.

## **Hearings**

- ICO Decision 1-01009 (Government Information Services)
- ICO Decision 2-01109 (Royal Cayman Islands Police Service)
- ICO Decsion 3-02209 (Department of Agriculture)
- ICO Decision 4-02109 (Cabinet Office)
- ICO Decsion 5-00310 (Cayman Islands National Insurance Company)

## **Investigations**

- ICO Investigation1-00109 (Governor's Office)
- ICO Investigation2-00110 (Section 52)
- ICO Investigation3-00210 (Operation Fred)
- ICO Investigation4-00310 (Operation Freddy)
- ICO Investigation5-00410 (Ministry of Community and Gender Affairs & Housing)

ICO Investigation6-00510 (Ministry of Financial Services, Tourism & Development)

## LISTS & REGISTERS

Information held in registers required by law and other lists or registers relating to the functions of the authority.

- ICO FOI Disclosure Log (Available on our website. Electronic or hard copies may be requested)
- 2010 FOI Publication Scheme List (Master list published on our website and updated each year)
- 2011 FOI Publication Scheme List (Master list published on our website and updated each year)

## **OUR SERVICES**

The Information Commissioner may:

- (f) Hear, investigate and rule on appeals filed under the Freedom of Information Law
- (g) Monitor and report on the compliance by public authorities with their obligations under the Law
- (h) Make recommendations for reform both of a general nature and directed at specific public authorities
- (i) Refer to the appropriate authorities cases where it appears that a criminal offence has been committed
- (j) Publicise the requirements of the Law and the right of individuals under it.

## **OPERATIONAL FUNCTIONS**

You will find listed below the higher level headings from our operational file plan. They are broken down broadly into functions and beneath those functions you will find the activities and record series that relate to each function. All the ICO's operational records fit into the categories listed below:

## **Appeals Management**

The Information Commissioner's Office hears and rules on appeals filed under the FOI Law.

Mediating

Appeal Case Files

Hearing

Decisions

Registrar's Case Files

Commissioner's Hearing Binders
Judicial Review Case Files

**Advising** 

**Applicants** 

3rd Party Information

**Policy** 

Intake Policies Mediation Policies Hearing Policies

# **Compliance Management**

The Information Commissioner's Office is tasked with monitoring and reporting on the compliance of public authorities with the FOI Law. It is also empowered to conduct investigations.

Reporting

Annual Reports

Quarterly Reports

Publicity Tracking Reports Publication Schemes

Investigating

ICO Investigation Documentation

ICO Investigation Reports

**Advising** 

**Public Authorities** 

**Training** 

**Public Authority Network Meetings** 

ICO Training Courses Guidance Notes

# **Promotional Management**

The Information Commissioner's Office is required to publicise the requirements of the FOI Law and the rights of individuals under it.

**Promoting** 

Right to Know Week Planning

Right to Know Week Project Summaries

Other Promotional Actitivies

Sister Islands ICO

**Educating** 

**Presentations** 

Articles

**Public Education** 

## **Publishing**

ICON Newsletter Rack Cards Booklets & Forms

# **Regulatory Reform Management**

The Information Commissioner's Office holds records related to its involvement in groups and committees that review and advise on various Laws.

# **Advising & Reviewing**

Data Protection Working Group Oversight Committee Law Reform Committee PSML & PFML Law Reform Recommendations

Law Reform Recommendati

# **Research & Development**

Research of International Laws International Correspondence FOI Seminars

# **ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS**

You will find listed below the higher level headings from our administrative file plan. They are broken down broadly into functions and beneath those functions you will find the activities and record series that relate to each function. All the ICO's administrative records fit into the categories listed below:

# **Buildings, Equipment & Vehicles**

Administering the agency's material resources; managing agency buildings, equipment and vehicles to facilitate normal business operations; acquiring and maintaining premises that are built, purchased or leased by the public sector agencies; acquiring and maintaining equipment and stores-major and minor; acquiring and maintaining most types of vehicles operated by the public sector agencies.

Includes capital project management, motor vehicle accident reporting, hiring, leasing and security activities.

**Capital Projects** 

Renovations Installations

Leasing

**Premises** 

Maintenance

Building Maintenance Janitorial Services **Inventory Management** 

Goods Received Notifications Warranties & Instructions

Security

Security Systems

**Policy** 

Building, Equipment & Vehicle Policies

**Planning** 

Hazard Management

Building, Equipment & Vehicle Plans

## **Communications**

Administering the agency's relationships with its clients, Government and the public; maintaining customer relations and handling complaints; managing government relations with the Governor, Ministers and Members of the Legislative Assembly; contributing to formal inquiries or investigations, developing public relations through community events, media campaigns and official functions; designing and producing publications in any format (e.g. paper, online, multi media).

Includes customer service, marketing and promotional activities. (<u>Please Note:</u> records related to our operational function of promoting FOI and the ICO will be located in Promotional Management)

**Advising** 

**Cabinet Office** 

FOI Unit

Legislative Assembly

Ministry

Advertising

Newspaper Advertising Radio Advertising Television Advertising Online Advertising Magazine Advertising Telephone Directory

**Contributions** 

Articles

**Press Releases** 

Complaints

Customer Service

Internal Complaints Log

Media

Media Protocols

Media Correspondence

# **Financial Management**

Administering the agency's monetary resources; managing funds allocated through Cabinet-purchased outputs and other revenue, such as grants, interagency charging, trading or investments; establishing internal controls and procedures for financial management; operating accounting systems; financial planning and budget management.

Include; procurement, audit, asset management and financial reporting activities.

Accounting

Accounts Payable

Banking

Ledgers & Journals

Acquisition

Asset Management Asset Register

Auditing

Monitoring

Budgeting

Budget Preparation
Budget Implementation

**Planning** 

Agency Wide Plans

Meetings

**Policy** 

Administrative Circulars

Remuneration

Payroll

Health Insurance Pension contributions Acting Allowance

Reporting

Monthly Reports
Half Yearly Reports
Annual Reports

# **Human Resources Management**

Administering the agency's human resources; establishing new positions; recruiting and transferring personnel; managing salaried, waged and volunteer staff, employed under the Public Service Management Law 2005 or General Orders, and the Public Service Pensions Law; developing staff skills through training and other programmes; reviewing remuneration

and employment conditions; ensuring the health and safety of staff and visitors to the agency's premises.

Includes; arrangement for staff travel, performance management and workplace relations activities.

# Recruitment

Job Descriptions
Recruitment Exercises
Unsuccessful Applicants

Appointments Advertisements

## **Staff Administration**

Official Travel

Moratorium Exemptions

Leave

# **Development & Training**

Internal Training Short Courses

Implementation Planning

# **Performance Management**

Agreements & Assessments

**Planning** 

Customer Service Policy and Procedures

HR Plans

Succession Planning

**Policy** 

Administrative Circulars

HR Manuals

# **Workplace Relations**

Staff Events
Staff Retreats

Reporting

TRS Monthly Reports
TRS Annual Reports

# **Information & Technology Management**

Administering the agency's information resources and systems; designing, procuring and implementing systems for managing and communicating business information; maintaining and disposing of software or hardware; creating or acquiring, storing and disposing of information resources; providing reference services and handling Freedom of Information requests; developing policies, tools and procedures for managing technology and information.

Includes: records management, and technical intranet or website maintenance activities as well as telecommunications providers correspondence.

# Freedom of Information

**Publication Schemes** FOI Case Files **Implementation Training** 

Laws & Regulations

Maintenance

IT Maintenance

**Policy** 

**Administrative Circulars** 

**Records Management Policies** Information Management Policy

**Planning** 

**Hazard Management** 

**Records Management** 

**CI National Archives** File Management Security & Tracking

**Telecommunications** 

Telephone system

# **Strategic Management**

Administering the agency's operations at the organizational level; developing business plans and corporate policy; setting long-term goals and objectives; evaluating the agency's overall performance and progress towards established targets; managing programs to improve business processes and ensure consistent service delivery; preparing or revising laws and other regulatory instruments that affect the agency's functions and responsibilities; obtaining legal advice from external sources.

Includes; executive support, internal policy development, corporate planning and annual reporting activities.

**Advising** 

Legal Advice **Cabinet Office** Ministry

Legislative Assembly

Ministry of Finance, Tourism & Development

**Contributions** 

Throne Speeches Government Reports Parliamentary Questions

**Policies** 

Internal Policies National Policies

Administrative Circulars Postal Services Circulars

**Planning** 

**Operational Plans** 

**Proceedings** 

ICO Team Minutes Ministry Meetings

Legislative Assembly Meetings Complaints Commissioner Meetings

**Auditor General Meetings** 

Reporting

Quarterly Reports Annual Reports



# **Civil Service Appeals Commission**

# **Publication Schemes**

# Produced in accordance with the Chief Secretary's Code of Practice

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## 1. About the Publication Scheme

Every public authority covered by the Freedom of Information, (FOI) Law has a legal duty to maintain a publication scheme.

The purpose of a publication scheme is to make information readily available to the public without the need for specific written requests. Schemes are intended to encourage authorities to proactively publish information, to develop a culture of openness and participation.

The publication scheme lists the information which is readily available to the public. The list is divided into seven (7) different categories of information, to help you find the documents you are looking for.

This publication scheme commits the Civil Service Appeals Commission to making information available to the public as part of its normal business activities.

The Civil Service Appeals Commission will:

- specify the information held by the authority, which falls within the seven (7) categories below;
- proactively publish or otherwise make routinely available, information which is held by the authority and falls within the categories below;
- describe the methods by which specific information is made available, so that it can be easily identified and accessed by members of the public;
- list any fees charged for access to information described in this scheme:

- publish or otherwise make information available, in accordance with the methods and fees stated in this scheme;
- make this publication scheme available to the public;
- regularly review and update the information made available under this scheme.

# 2. Information that may be withheld

The Civil Service Appeals Commission will generally not publish:

- information in draft form;
- information that is not held by the Civil Service Appeals Commission or which has been disposed of in accordance with a legally authorised disposal schedule;
- information that is not readily-available for example: information that is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is otherwise difficult to access;
- information which is exempt under the FOI Law, or otherwise protected from disclosure – for example: personal information; or commercially sensitive information. Records containing exempt matter will be published in a redacted form, where ever it is practical to do so, indicating which exemptions apply.
- any report, statement or other communication or document of record of any meeting inquiry or proceedings which the Civil Service Appeals Commission may make in the exercise of its functions or any member may make in performance of his duties.

In maintaining this publication scheme, our aim is to be as open as possible.

However, there may be limited circumstances where information will be withheld from one of the categories of information listed in section 7: Categories of information.

Information will only be withheld where the FOI Law expressly permits it.

For example: information may withheld where the disclosure is not in the public interest, would breach the law of confidentiality, infringe personal privacy, harm the Civil Service Appeals Commission's (or another organisation's) commercial interests, or endanger the protection of the environment.

When ever information is withheld, we will inform you of this and explain why that information cannot be released. Even where information is withheld, it may be possible to provide a redacted copy, with the exempt matter edited out.

If you wish to complain about any information which has been withheld, please refer to section 6: Complaints.

#### 3. Methods of access

Information available under our publication scheme will usually be accessible through the methods described below.

Section 7: Categories of information provides more details on the information available under the scheme, along with additional guidance on how the information within each category may be accessed.

## Online

Many of our documents are published electronically on this website and can be downloaded in PDF format. Where information is available online, a link within section 7: Categories of information will direct you to the relevant page or document.

If there is no link, or the link is broken, you can use our website's "Search" facility at http://www.csac.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1508,1867397&\_dad=portal&\_schema=P ORTAL.

If you are still having trouble locating information listed under our scheme, please contact Clara Smith at 946-2722 or clara.smith@gov.ky.

# **Email**

If information is listed in our publication scheme but is not published on the website, we may be able to send it to you by email. You can email us at csac@gov.ky to request information. Please provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary.

# Phone Phone

Documents listed in the publication scheme can also be requested by telephone. Please call us at 345-946-2722 to request information.

# <u>Post</u>

All information listed in the publication scheme will usually be available in hard copy. Requests may be addressed to:

CSAC Box 32115 KY1-1208 Grand Cayman

In your request, please provide your name and address, full details of the information or documents you would like to receive. You may also wish to provide a telephone number so that we can call you to clarify details if necessary. For faster processing, please also include any applicable fee. (See section 4: Fees and charges for further details.)

# Personal visits

In limited cases, you may be required to make an appointment to view information listed in the publication scheme. This will be clearly stated in *section 7: Categories of information*, and relevant contact details will be provided in that section.

# Advice and assistance

If you experience any difficulty identifying the information you want to access, please contact Clara Smith at 345-946-2722 or email csac@gov.ky.

The Civil Service Appeals Commission will adhere to its obligations under section 10 of the FOI Law, and any requirements relating to disability or discrimination, when providing information in accordance with this publication scheme.

Information will be provided in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required. Where the Civil Service Appeals Commission is legally required to translate any information, it will do so.

# 4. Fees and charges

The purpose of this scheme is to make the maximum amount of information readily available at minimum effort and cost to the public. The Civil Service Appeals Commission strives to ensure that fees and charges are clearly explained and kept to a minimum.

Information which is published online, downloaded through a website, or sent to you by email will be provided free of charge.

Fees may be charged for providing information in paper copy or on computer disc. Charges will reflect the actual costs of reproduction and postage, as described below.

There are some publications which the Civil Service Appeals Commission offers for sale to the parties to a cause. This includes, for example, any replacement document and/or additional information which has to be translated, transferred to and from discs, tape recordings and/or CDs. These publications are charged at the cover price, plus actual postage/delivery costs as charged by the Cayman Islands Postal and/or Courier Services.

## Reproduction costs for Standard Document Release

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$.25 per page (black and white; any size) and \$.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

USB Storage Device will be \$100 per drive.

# Reproduction costs for FOI Request

Where fees apply, photocopied information will be charged at a standard rate of \$.25 per page (black and white; any size) and \$.50 per page (colour; any size).

Computer discs will be charged at a rate of \$2 per disc.

USB Storage Device will be done at cost of the drive (varying according to the size drive required).

# Postage costs

The Civil Service Appeals Commission will pass on to the requester the actual costs of postage or courier delivery.

Details of any individual charges which differ from the above policy are provided within section 7: Categories of information.

If a fee applies, you will be advised of the amount and how it has been calculated. Information will be provided when the Civil Service Appeals Commission has received your payment.

# 5. Requests for information outside the Publication Scheme

Information held by the Civil Service Appeals Commission that is <u>not</u> published under this scheme may be obtained from the Civil Service Appeals Commission through submitting a formal FOI request. This request may be submitted using the FOI form or by using any of the previous contact information provide in Section 3 of this document. That is to say you may submit an FOI request verbally( in person or over the phone) or alternative in writing via post, fax or email. Your request will be considered in accordance with the provisions of the FOI and PSML respectively. Please see fees section for information on potential cost for the reproduction these Documents requested under the PSML.

# 6. Complaints

The Civil Service Appeals Commission aims to make our publication scheme easy to use, and to ensure our information is accessible to the public.

If you wish to complain about any aspect of this publication scheme, please contact foi.csa@gov.ky or by calling 946-2722, and we will try to resolve your complaint as quickly as possible.

Further information about our complaints procedures can be obtained from www.csac.gov.ky You have legal rights to access information under this scheme, and a right to complain to the Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our response.

> Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Elizabethan Square, Building 1 George Town, Grand Cayman

PO Box 1375, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, CAYMAN ISLANDS Telephone: +1 345 747 5402 email: appeals @ico.gov.ky

# 7. Categories of information

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# **ABOUT US**

# Name of Public Authority/Body

Civil Service Appeals Commission Independent Quasi-judicial Body appointed in accordance with the PSML Headed by a Chairman who is appointed by the Governor

# Ministry(Reports in an executive relationship capacity to):

The Deputy Governor Gov't Admin Bldg,

George Town, Grand Cayman

# Principal Officers [or Key staff]

Mr. Colin Ross MBE, JP. Chairman Civil Service Appeals Commission MS. Sharon Roulstone Deputy Chairman Civil Service Appeals Commission

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# **Organisation and functions**

The Civil Service Appeals Commission is a quasi-judicial body appointed under the Public Service Management Law, (2007 Revision). Its sole purpose is to consider, and decide upon, appeals from civil servants about personnel-related decisions of chief officers of civil service entities.

The Commission itself comprises a chairperson and up to six others who, by Law, must be independent from both the civil service and political parties. Accordingly, a person cannot be a member of the Commission if he is a civil servant, or if he is or has been within the preceding three years, a member of the Legislative Assembly, or hold an office in a political party.

To reinforce this independence the Law also states that no person or authority may direct or control the Commission in the carrying out of its duties.

The CSAC is supported by a small secretariat headed by an Appeals Officer which provides technical and administrative support to the Commission.

Civil Service Appeals Commission Box 32115 Grand Cayman, KY1-1208 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Location and hours	Matters handled
Civil Service Appeals Commission, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Cayman Corporate Centre, Hospital Road, George Town 9:00am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday	Appeals filed by Civil Servants against Human Resource decisions made by their Chief Officers

#### **Boards and committees**

Name	Meetings	Minutes
Mr. Colin R. Ross, MBE, J.P., Chairman of the Commission. Ms Sharon Roulstone, Deputy Chairman Mr. Lemuel Hurlston, MBE, CVO, J.P., Commission Member. Ms Jennifer Kaufman, Commission Member. Mr. Richard Coles, Commission Member. Ms Andrea Bryan, MBE, J.P., Commission Member.	Meetings are scheduled as necessary and are closed to the public.	Minutes  Minutes of meetings are no longer kept. Instead there will be a "Record of Members Present and Business Transacted" for each meeting and these will not be published under this scheme. (see Section 5 regarding request outside of the publication scheme)
	Hearings are scheduled as necessary and are closed to the public All Hearings are conducted in accordance with standard rules of court and the Commission has the power to establish its own rules of meeting.	Recording of hearings are available only to the principal (Respondent and Appellant) participants of a given hearing and are not published under this scheme. (see section 5 regarding request outside of the publication scheme)

## Frequently asked questions

# What is a CSAC appeal?

An appeal is a written statement from an aggrieved civil servant, including those who were dismissed or those applying for a position, asking the Appeals Commission to review the final decision of a Chief Officer, (which the employee feels is unfair). The final decision usually takes effect upon receipt of the final action letter; you should therefore await the outcome of any pending matter prior to making an appeal.

# How do I lodge an appeal with CSAC?

Within 30 days of receiving the Chief Officer's final decision you may submit your written statement (see preparing an appeal, the suggested format and the online form) via fax, mail, email, or hand deliver it to the CSAC's office. You should submit the original and five copies of the documents. You will receive an acknowledgement letter, after which you will be notified of the hearing date. You must have grounds for an appeal so if it is determined that an appeal is frivolous, vexatious or without merit then the appeal may be denied. If the appeal is filed late the employee is not entitled to a hearing and the appeal will be denied. (In such a case the original decision will stand).

# Should I tell my manager that I will be appealing the decision?

Yes, managers should be advised in writing. You can also request copies of documents from your personal file. (The Freedom of Information Law, (when it is passed), will establish individuals' rights in this regard). Remember that you have the right to an appeal; if you feel you are unable to exercise that right, you should inform the CSAC in writing.

# Is there a fee for making an appeal through CSAC?

There is no fee for lodging an appeal, however, you will be asked to pay for any photocopying that you personally need done. You are however responsible for paying your attorney's fees, should you chose to appoint one.

# Who has the burden of proof in CSAC appeals proceedings?

The department must prove that it was justified in taking the action; the appellant must prove that the decision was not in accordance with the law.

Will the CSAC carry out independent investigations on matters that are before it? Yes, if the commission deems it necessary, it will carry out an independent investigation into the matter being heard.

# Can I withdraw a CSAC appeal?

An appeal can be withdrawn at any time before the CSAC's decision is issued; you may withdraw the appeal only if you decide that the initial decision was correct or the circumstances have changed.

# Where and how will the CSAC appeal hearing be held?

The hearing will be held at the office of the CSAC in the Cayman Islands. The parties in dispute shall appear before members of the Appeals Commission; witnesses will be called; evidence presented; all decisions shall be by majority vote of members present. The hearing will be conducted with the requirements of due process; the formal rules of evidence and court procedures will be followed but these will not be strictly enforced.

# Is the CSAC appeal hearing confidential?

Yes the hearing is confidential and is not open to the public. The CSAC will however record the hearing for its own use and purposes and any report, statement or other communication or document of record or any meeting, inquiry or proceedings which the CSAC may make, shall be privileged in that its production may not be used in any legal proceedings if the Governor certifies in writing that such production is not in the public interest.

## How does CSAC make a decision and when will I be notified?

In making appeal decisions, the CSAC will be guided by four principles. You will receive a decision through the post within 30 days after the hearing is concluded. Where the decision is in your favour the Commission will either reject, modify or propose some other appropriate course of action, for example, reinstatement, remuneration, changes in work assignment or location, etc; if the decision is not in your favour your appeal will be dismissed and the original decision will stand. Both parties do however have a right to appeal the CSAC decision.

# Can I request a postponement of the CSAC hearing?

If you or a key witness have an unavoidable conflict and cannot attend on the date set, you should write to the CSAC prior to the actual hearing date and ask for a postponement. If you have to leave the islands your hearing may be postponed or rescheduled and arrangements may be made for it to be done via the phone.

# May I call the CSAC for advice about my case?

You may call the office for administrative assistance; however, you cannot seek legal advice or assistance on the matter that you are appealing. If you have not received your decision in the mail after 30 clear days from the hearing, you may call the office to enquire whether your documents were mailed to you.

# Can CSAC accommodate me at the hearing if I have a speech, hearing or language problem?

If a party has a speech, hearing or other need, the CSAC must be notified in advance so that the necessary arrangements may be put in place to accommodate that party.

# What if I fail to give answers or documents to the CSAC?

A person who fails to comply with any request made by the Commission to produce any information that is in that person's possession or under that person's control, or who fails to provide explanations when required to do so by the Commission - is guilty of offence and is liable to imprisonment for six months.

## STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

#### Governance

Public Service Management Law (2007 Revision) (available electronically and also by purchasing from the Legislative Assembly.)

Personnel Regulations (2006) (available electronically and also by purchasing from the Legislative Assembly.)

Public Finance Management Law (available by purchase from the Legislative Assembly.) National Archives and Public Records Law (available by purchase from the Legislative Assembly.)

Freedom of Information Law (available by purchase from the Legislative Assembly or electronically at www.foi.gov.ky)

#### **Statistics**

Appeal Statistics (annual report available on website and/or by request using the contact information provided in section 3.)

## **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

#### Financial management

Documents relating to the administration of the authority's monetary resources – including projected and actual income and expenditure; tendering; procurement; and contracts.

Annual budget Please follow the below link

http://www.gov.ky/portal/page? pageid=1142.1593653& dad=portal& schema=PORTAL

#### Administration

Press releases may be obtained via the following link http://www.csac.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1508,1867379&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

Job vacancies; career opportunities may be obtained via the following link http://www.csac.gov.ky/portal/page?\_pageid=1508,3479069&\_dad=portal&\_schema=PORTAL

Records management file plan or classification scheme is available on request.

# POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Current written protocols used by the authority for carrying out functions, activities and delivering services.

#### **CSAC Handbook**

Please follow the subsequent link for a copy of this document http://www.csac.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/CSAHOME/GUIDANCENOTES/HANDBOOK%20 FOR%20CSAC%20FINAL%20VERSION%20REVISED%20SEPTEMBER-23-2009.PD**F** 

# **Guidance for Civil Servants**

Please follow the subsequent link for a copy of this document http://www.csac.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/CSAHOME/GUIDANCENOTES/GUIDEAPPEALI NG.PDF

## **Guidance for Chief Officers**

Please follow the subsequent link for a copy of this document http://www.csac.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/CSAHOME/GUIDANCENOTES/GUIDECHIEFOF FICERS.PDF

# **Guidance for Civil Service Entities**

Please follow the subsequent link for a copy of this document http://www.csac.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/CSAHOME/GUIDANCENOTES/GUIDEENTITIES RESPONDING.PDF

# **DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

Information about proposals, resolutions, assessments and results, including decision-making processes.

For each appeal that is granted a Hearing CSAC makes a formal decision based on the findings of said Hearing. The Hearing Decisions are confidential and are released only to the principal (Respondent and Appellant) participants of a given hearing. The information provided is privileged, in that its production may not be used in any legal proceedings if the Governor certifies in writing that such production is not in the public interest.

## LISTS & REGISTERS

Information held in registers required by law and other lists or registers relating to the functions of the authority.

# Appeals Log:

Every appeal that is made and the ultimate outcome of this appeal is recorded, assigned a file number and maintained in the Appeal log. However as appeals are confidential it is not a document available to the public.

# Query Log:

Every query that is made to the Appeals Commission's and its outcome office will be recorded in a Query Log. While the actual query log will be kept strictly confidential, anonymous data captured will be published periodically released, please see Statistics section on page 9 of this document.

# FOI Disclosure Log:

Every FOI request made to the Commission and the decision made on releasing the requested records. This log will be redacted to protect anonymity of the requester the redacted log is available on request.

#### **OUR SERVICES**

The Public Service Management Law, (2007 Revision), makes provision for civil servants to appeal to the Civil Service Appeals Commission (CSAC) about a personnel-related decision of their chief officer.

## What is an Appeal?

An Appeal is a written document asking the CSAC to review an employment-related decision of a chief officer of a civil service entity which the appellant considers has treated him or her unfairly. Before agreeing to consider an Appeal, CSAC will satisfy itself that there are sufficient grounds for the Appeal.

# Who may Lodge an Appeal?

Only civil servants (i.e. existing employees of government) may lodge an appeal with the CSAC.

This means that a person who is not a civil servant, and who has unsuccessfully applied for a position as a civil servant, may not lodge an appeal.

Similarly, employees of statutory authorities and government companies are not civil servants and are therefore not covered by the CSAC appeals process.

#### Guidance

# **Guidance for Civil Servants**

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## **Guidance for Chief Officers**

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# **Guidance for Civil Service Entities**

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http://www.csac.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/CSAHOME/GUIDANCENOTES/GUIDEENTITIES RESPONDING.PDF

# **Forms**

# **Appeal Form**

Appeal form is one way to file an appeal

http://www.csac.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/CSAHOME/HELP/FORMS/CSACAPPEALFORM. PDF

# **Freedom of Information Form**

FOI form is one way to make an FOI request

http://www.foi.gov.ky/pls/portal/docs/PAGE/FOIHOME/HELP/FORMS/FOIAPPLICATIONFORM FINAL.PDF