STATES OF JERSEY



MEETINGS OF THE STATES IN 2016

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REPORT

The Privileges and Procedures Committee is required to fix dates for States meetings for the following year no later than the end of September each year but for the convenience of members and others who need to fix meetings PPC has fixed dates much earlier than September in recent years and is pleased to do so again this year. Standing Orders 3 and 4 read as follows –

"3 Sessions of the States

- (1) There shall be 2 sessions of the States in each year during which they shall meet.
- (2) The 1st session shall start on the 3rd Tuesday in January and end no later than the last Tuesday in July.
- (3) The 2nd session shall start on the 2nd Tuesday in September and end no later than the 3rd Tuesday in December.

4 Planning days for meetings of the States

- (1) The PPC shall, no later than the end of September in each year, present to the States a list of days for meetings of the States in the 1st and 2nd sessions in the following year.
- (2) Ordinarily, a meeting day is a Tuesday.
- (3) The list may include continuation days."

The dates agreed by the Committee for 2016 are shown in the **Appendix**.

Following a decision taken by the then PPC a number of years ago the dates in recent years have been drafted as far as possible to avoid meetings during any school holiday periods. The 2016 meeting dates attached all avoid school holiday periods.

In accordance with the requirements of Standing Orders the first meeting of 2016 is on the third Tuesday of January, namely 19th January 2016. The normal fortnightly cycle is interrupted by a 3 week break between 2nd and 23rd February to avoid the school half-term during the week of Monday 15th February but the fortnightly cycle then continues until the Easter recess which covers the Easter school holidays. Starting after the end of the school holidays on Tuesday 12th April the fortnightly cycle can then be followed through until the last meeting before the summer recess with the exception of a 3 week break at the end of May to avoid the Spring Bank Holiday school half-term during the last week of May.

The Autumn session begins on 13th September, the second Tuesday of September as required by Standing Orders. The provisional date of the Air Display is 8th September so, unlike previous years, this would not interfere with the States dates. The fortnightly cycle can then be followed until the last meeting of 2016 with the exception of a 3 week break between 11th October and 1st November to avoid the school half-term during the last week of October.

APPENDIX







2016 SESSIONS

In accordance with Standing Order 38 I hereby give notice that the Privileges and Procedures Committee has fixed the following days for the holding of meetings of the States in 2016.

First Session

Continuation (if necessary)

January 19th	January 20th and 21st
February 2nd	February 3rd and 4th
February 23rd	February 24th and 25th
March 8th	March 9th and 10th
March 22nd	March 23rd and 24th
April 12th	April 13th and 14th
April 26th	April 27th and 28th
May 10th	May 11th and 12th
May 24th	May 25th and 26th
June 14th	June 15th and 16th
June 28th	June 29th and 30th
July 12th	July 13th and 14th

Second Session

Continuation (if necessary)

September 13th	September 14th and 15th
September 27th	September 28th and 29th
October 11th	October 12th and 13th
November 1st	November 2nd and 3rd
November 15th	November 16th and 17th

November 29th November 30th and December 1st

December 13th December 14th and 15th

The first meeting of 2017 will be on 17th January 2017.

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