



Denmark

Judicial systems in Member States - Denmark

This section provides you with an overview of the court system in Denmark.

Organisation of justice – judicial systems

The Danish courts system is composed of:

- The **Supreme Court**
- The **two high courts**
- The **Maritime and Commercial Court**
- The **Land Registration Court**
- **24 district courts**
- The **courts of the Faroe Islands and Greenland**
- The **Appeals Permission Board**
- The **Special Court of Indictment and Revision**
- The **Danish Judicial Appointments Council** and
- The **Danish Court Administration.**

Administration of courts

The courts are administered by the **Danish Court Administration**, which was established as a new independent institution on **1st July 1999**. This body ensures the proper and adequate administration of the funds, staff, buildings and IT of the courts and the Appeals Permission Board.

The Danish Court Administration is headed by a **board of governors** and a **director**. The Danish Court Administration falls under the Ministry of Justice, but the Minister has no powers of instruction and cannot change decisions made by the Danish Court Administration.

The board of governors is the chief executive and generally liable for the activities of the Danish Court Administration. The director – who is appointed and may be discharged by the board of governors – is responsible for day-to-day management. The director is not required to hold a law degree.

The Danish Court Administration Act determines the composition of the Danish Court Administration's board of governors. The board of governors has 11 members, eight of whom are court representatives, one a lawyer and two who have special management and social insights.

Legal databases

For more information, please consult the continuously updated overview and description of the [Danish judicial system](#).

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