

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

Organisation of justice - judicial systems

Justice in Greece is one of the three functions of the State. According to the principle of **separation of powers**, the judiciary is **independent** from the legislative and executive authorities.

#### **Types of courts – short description**

Courts in Greece are divided into the following main **categories**:

Administrative courts (*Dioikitika dikastiria*)

Civil courts (*Politika dikastiria*)

Criminal courts (*Poinika dikastiria*)

#### **Court administration**

The Courts are managed by judicial officers and, in particular, by the President of the Court or the Three-Member Council of the Court, as appropriate.

#### **Court hierarchy**

##### **Civil courts:**

Supreme Court (*Areios Pagos*), Court of Appeal, Courts of First Instance, District Courts

##### **Criminal Courts:**

Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, Magistrate's Courts, Misdemeanour Courts

##### **Administrative courts:**

Council of State, Administrative Courts of Appeal, Administrative Courts

#### **Related links**

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[Athens Administrative Court of First Instance](#)

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