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In the field of civil justice, pending procedures and proceedings initiated before the end of the transition period will continue under EU law. The e-Justice Portal, on the basis of a mutual agreement with the UK, will maintain the relevant information related to the United Kingdom until the end of 2024.

Taking evidence

Scotland

Article 2 – Requested courts

Click on the below link to view all competent authorities related to this Article.

Country: United Kingdom

Jurisdiction: Scotland

Instrument: Taking evidence

Competence type: Requested courts

More than one court/authority has been found which is competent for this legal instrument based on the information you provided. Below is the list:

Aberdeen Sheriff Court**Airdrie Sheriff Court****Alloa Sheriff Court****Ayr Sheriff Court****Banff Sheriff Court****Campbeltown Sheriff Court****Dumbarton Sheriff Court****Dumfries Sheriff Court****Dundee Sheriff Court****Dunfermline Sheriff Court****Dunoon Sheriff Court****Edinburgh Sheriff Court****Elgin Sheriff Court****Falkirk Sheriff Court****Forfar Sheriff Court****Fort William Sheriff Court****Glasgow Sheriff Court****Greenock Sheriff Court****Hamilton Sheriff Court****Inverness Sheriff Court****Jedburgh Sheriff Court****Kilmarnock Sheriff Court****Kirkcaldy Sheriff Court****Kirkwall Sheriff Court****Lanark Sheriff Court****Lerwick Sheriff Court****Livingston Sheriff Court****Lochmaddy Sheriff Court****Oban Sheriff Court****Paisley Sheriff Court****Perth Sheriff Court****Peterhead Sheriff Court****Portree Sheriff Court****Stirling Sheriff Court****Stornoway Sheriff Court****Stranraer Sheriff Court****Tain Sheriff Court****Wick Sheriff Court****Article 3 – Central body****Scottish Government**

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Article 5 – Languages accepted for completion of the forms

English.

Article 6 – Means accepted for transmission of requests and other communications

Requests can be accepted by post, fax or e-mail.

Article 17 – Central body or competent authority(ies) responsible for decisions on requests for direct taking of evidence

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Article 21 – Agreements or arrangements to which Member States are parties and which comply with the conditions in Article 21(2)

The United Kingdom does not intend to retain any bilateral agreements with other Member States for taking of evidence between the United Kingdom and the other Member States. It has, however, informed Member States with which it has bilateral agreements that it wants these agreements to continue to apply for cases between those Member States and the United Kingdom Overseas Territories that are not part of the European Union.

The countries with which the United Kingdom has bilateral agreements and the date of those agreements are as follows:

Austria 31/03/31 Greece 07/02/36
Belgium 21/06/22 Italy 17/12/30
Denmark 29/11/32 Netherlands 31/05/32
Finland 11/08/33 Portugal 09/07/31
France 02/02/22 Spain 27/06/29
Germany 20/03/28 Sweden 28/08/30

The United Kingdom Overseas Territories outside the European Union to which these bilateral agreements will continue to apply are:

Channel Islands
Isle of Man
Anguilla
Bermuda
British Virgin Islands
Cayman Islands
Falkland Islands & Dependencies
Montserrat
Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri & Dhekelia (Cyprus)
St Helena & Dependencies
Turks & Caicos Islands

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