

CODE OF PRACTICE AND SAFEGUARDING REGULATIONS 2024

Made by the Deanery Synod 26th November 2024

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The Jersey Deanery Synod, in pursuance of its powers under Canon G of the Canons of the Church of England in Jersey 2022 and subject to the approval of the Right Reverend Bishop of Salisbury, make the following Regulations to form part of the law of Jersey in accordance with the said Canon;

1. —(1) In these Regulations a reference to:

(a) “the Canons” is to the Canons of the Church of England in Jersey 2022 and a reference to a particular Canon is to a particular Canon of those Canons;

(b) “Legislation Measures” is to the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measures 1931-1957 as amended by the Synodical Government (Channel Islands) Order 1970 and the Attachment of Jersey to the Diocese of Salisbury Order 2022; and

(c) “Instrument” means any other Regulations made under the Canons or any other instrument made either under or in pursuance of the Canons or the Legislation Measures.

2. In these Regulations, in the Canons as amended by these Regulations, and in any Instrument, it shall be recognised that the House of Bishops must issue, and may from time to time revise, a code of practice for relevant persons on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults, and the term “Safeguarding Code” shall be construed as a reference to such a code.

3. In these Regulations and in the Canons as amended by these Regulations, it shall be further recognised that the House of Bishops may, for that purpose issue and revise separate codes for different matters; and, where there are separate codes, a reference in these Regulations, in the Canons or in any Instrument to the Safeguarding Code is to be read as a reference to each or any of those codes.

4. Canon C9.8 is amended to provide that "A minister who has authority to officiate in Jersey in accordance with this Canon must comply with a requirement imposed by the Safeguarding Code and shall be under a duty to have due regard to the Jersey law and practice on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.”.

5. Canon D6.5 is amended to provide that “A reader must comply with a requirement imposed by the Safeguarding Code and shall be under a duty to have due regard to the Jersey law and practice on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.”.

6. Canon D7.7 7 is amended to provide that “A lay worker must comply with a requirement imposed by the Safeguarding Code and shall be under a duty to have due regard to the Jersey law and practice on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.”.

7. Canon F3.5(1) is amended such that for the act or omission constituting misconduct at paragraph (e) thereof there is substituted the act or omission of “failing to comply with a requirement imposed by the Safeguarding Code as required by Canon C9.”.

8. The Secretary to the Jersey Deanery Synod shall cause these Regulations to be published on the website of the Deanery of Jersey (jerseydeanery.je) and transmitted to the Greffier of the Ecclesiastical Court to be caused to be enrolled.

9. These Regulations shall be cited under the name Code of Practice and Safeguarding Regulations 2024 and shall come into force upon publication by the Secretary of the date of receipt of the written confirmation received by the Lay Secretary of the Bishop's approval of these Regulations.