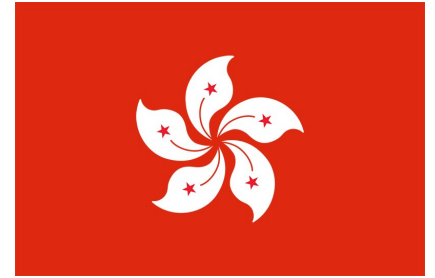


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Guide to resources at Lincoln's Inn Library



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Introduction

This guide covers selected legal materials held by Lincoln's Inn Library for Hong Kong. The guide includes legislation, case law and commentary, as well as online sources.

Lincoln's Inn Library holds many sources, including historic legislation and old editions of textbooks, which are not covered in this guide. For a comprehensive list of the materials held by Lincoln's Inn Library, search the online catalogue available at: www.lincolnsinnlibrary.org.uk

There are free guides to the law of Hong Kong available online, including:

Bodleian Libraries, University of Oxford

<https://libguides.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/law-china/HK>

GlobalLex

https://www.nyulawglobal.org/globalex/Hong_Kong.html

Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS)

<https://libguides.ials.sas.ac.uk/hongkong>

Library of Congress

<https://www.loc.gov/item/guide-to-law-online/hong-kong/>

Catalogue Guide

Most Hong Kong material is located in the Commonwealth section of the Cellar. It can be identified with a shelf mark such as this:

COMMONWEALTH - HONG KONG - TEXTBOOKS

This guide includes only a selection of the Hong Kong material held by Lincoln's Inn Library, but the online catalogue includes virtually all of the Library's holdings. The catalogue is freely available outside the Library here: www.lincolnsinnlibrary.org.uk

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The catalogue provides a selection of search fields that can be used in combination to identify and locate potentially relevant material.

Tips for using these fields to find Hong Kong material follow.

Catalogue Guide

Textbooks

The catalogue record for textbooks primarily about Hong Kong law should include *Hong Kong* as a subject, so include this term in the *subject* field.

To search for the latest editions of textbooks, change the *type* field to *Latest edition held*. To search for old editions of textbooks, change the *type* field to *Old edition*.

Legislation

The author of legislation will be the relevant jurisdiction, so include *Hong Kong* in the *author* search field.

Change the *type* field to *Legislation*.

Law Reports & Journals

The catalogue record for Hong Kong serials (Law Reports & Journals) should include *Hong Kong* as a subject, so include this term in the *subject* field.

Change the *type* field to *Journals* or *Law reports* as required, or search for a specific title in the *periodical title* field.

Online Resources

A URL link will be available on catalogue records for Hong Kong material available on Lexis+. Include *Lexis+* in the *words or phrases* search field to identify these titles.

N.B. Not all titles available on Lexis+ will be included on the catalogue.

General Works

Key Works

Atkin's Court Forms Hong Kong (available via Lexis+)

Halsbury's Laws of Hong Kong (available via Lexis+)

Hong Kong Civil Court Practice (available via Lexis+)

Hong Kong Civil Procedure [The Hong Kong White Book]
2015 & 2012

Dictionaries and Research Guides

Hong Kong. Bilingual Laws Advisory Committee *2nd ed*
The English-Chinese glossary of legal terms

Textbooks

The following is a list of textbooks Lincoln's Inn Library holds in hard copy. Please note the Library holds old editions and historical textbooks in addition to this list.

Hsu, Berry Fong-Chong

Financial markets in Hong Kong : law and practice / Berry Fong-Chung Hsu ... [et al.]

2006

Kessler, James

Drafting trusts and will trusts in Hong Kong / James Kessler, Thelma Kwan, Philip Munro

2016

Ma, Lawrence *3rd ed.*

Equity and trusts law in Hong Kong

2014

Megitt, Gary

Mediation and ADR confidentiality in Hong Kong

2019

Wong, Max W. L

Re-ordering Hong Kong : decolonisation and the Hong Kong Bill of Rights Ordinance

2017

Textbooks with relevant chapters

The following is a selection of textbooks which include sections on the law of Hong Kong, which Lincoln's Inn Library holds in hard copy. Please note the Library holds other titles in addition to this list.

Burling, Julian M

Research handbook on international insurance law and regulation /
edited by Julian Burling, Kevin Lazarus

2011

Chevalier-Watts, Juliet

Charity law : international perspectives

2018

Cohen, Paul

International corruption / Paul Cohen, Arthur Marriott

2010

Encyclopedia of international commercial litigation / general editor:

Sir Anthony Colman

1993 onwards

Frimston, Richard

The international protection of adults / edited by Richard

Frimston ... [et al.]

2015

Textbooks with relevant chapters

Jon, Woo-jung

Cross-border transfer and collateralisation of receivables : a comparative analysis of multiple legal systems

2018

Lissack, Richard *4th ed.*

Lissack and Horlick on international bribery and corruption / Richard Lissack, Fiona Horlick

2025

Rosenberg, Kim

Dealing with delay and disruption / Kim Rosenberg, Erin Miller Rankin and Bryan Dayton

2020

Spitz, Barry

Offshore service / general editor Giles Clarke ; consulting editor Barry Spitz

1998 onwards

Williams, Richard *3rd ed.*

A practical guide to the transfer of trusteeships / editors Richard Williams, Arabella Murphy and Toby Graham

2017

Legislation

The following legislation is held by Lincoln's Inn Library in hard copy:

Main Series

Ordinances

1865 (no. 13) - 1886; 1888 - 1941; 1946 – 2007

Regulations of Hong Kong : including Proclamations, Orders in Council, etc.

1894 - 1940; 1948 – 2007

Consolidations

Laws of the colony of Hong Kong 1841-54

Laws of Hong Kong : containing the Ordinances enacted until and including the 1st day of September, 1950 : and subsidiary legislation made thereunder

Government Notifications 1946

Ordinances of Hong Kong [1844-1931, in force 1st January 1938]

Regulations of Hong Kong [1844-1931, in force 1st January 1938]

Ordinances of Hong Kong : [in force 30th June 1865]

Law Reports

The following series are held in hard copy:

Hong Kong law reports

Vol. 1 (1905/1906) - vol. 40 (1955/1956); 1957 – 1996

Hong Kong law digest

1985 – 1996

Hong Kong law reports and digest

1997 onwards

Hong Kong Lands Tribunal law Reports

1977 – 1980

Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal reports

Vol. 1 (1997/1998) onwards

Hong Kong law yearbook

1985 onwards

District Court law reports [Hong Kong]

1958 onwards

Law Reports

Digests and Citators

Digest of the District Court law reports
1953/1971 - 1972/1977

Digest of Hong Kong criminal case law
1905/1967 - 1986/1989

Digest of Hong Kong civil case law
1954/1968 - 1981/1991



Lexis+

We have access to Hong Kong legal materials via our Lexis+ subscription, which includes legislation, case law, and commentary sources. Lexis+ can only be accessed from the Library. This is a small selection of the resources we subscribe to. For a full index, click on the “International” tab on the homepage on Lexis.

Legislation

Hong Kong Laws [All primary and subsidiary legislation]

Annotated Ordinances of Hong Kong

Law Reports

Hong Kong Cases (1946 onwards)

Hong Kong Cases Unreported (1905 onwards)

Hong Kong Family Law Reports (2005 onwards)

Journals

Asia Pacific Law Review

Commentary

Banking Law: HKSAR & PRC

Butterworths Hong Kong Handbooks [Company, Contract, Copyright, Evidence, High Court, Partnership, Statutory Interpretation]

Emden's Construction Law

Family Court Practice

Guide to Civil Procedure in Hong Kong

Halsbury's Laws of Hong Kong

Hong Kong Company Law

Intellectual Property in Hong Kong

Securities Law: Hong Kong, SAR and PRC

Free Online Resources

Inner Temple Library have created and maintain AccessToLaw, a gateway site providing annotated links to selected UK, Commonwealth and worldwide free legal web sites. A selection of these are provided below, but for more free online legal resources visit:

<https://www.accesstolaw.com/commonwealth/hong-kong/>

Basic Law

Apart from the text of the Basic Law itself, this site includes background information and a searchable “Basic Law Court Case Database” of decisions relating to its interpretation.

<https://www.basiclaw.gov.hk/en/index/index.html>

HKLII

Hong Kong Legal Information Institute (HKLI) contains full text judgments and all current legislation.. Other resources include the Hong Kong Treaty Series and a database of Practice Directions.

<https://www.hklii.hk>

Hong Kong e-Legislation

Hong Kong e-Legislation is an official electronic database of the legislation of Hong Kong in English and Chinese. It provides current and past versions of consolidated legislation dating back to 30 June 1997, together with constitutional instruments, various indices and tables of Ordinances, and glossaries of legal terms.

<https://www.elegislation.gov.hk/>

Other Libraries with Hong Kong Legal Materials

Inner Temple Library

Responsibility for the various Commonwealth jurisdictions is divided between Inner Temple and Lincoln's Inn Libraries.

Lincoln's Inn Library is the Inn library with primary responsibility for Hong Kong legal materials, but Inner Temple Library also hold a small collection.

www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk

Institute of Advanced Legal Studies

The Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS) Library has an extensive collection of Hong Kong legal materials.

<http://libguides.ials.sas.ac.uk/hongkong>

FLAG Foreign Law Guide

The FLAG database provides a gateway to foreign, international and comparative law collections held within UK university and national libraries, and within major practitioners' law libraries. The database is searchable in several ways and includes descriptions of each collection and links to the web catalogues of contributing libraries.

<https://resources.ials.sas.ac.uk/flag-foreign-law-guide/flag-search>



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