

IOE Library Guide

British Official Publications

The Institute of Education Library's Official Publications collection relates directly to state education in the UK from its earliest origins in the 19th century to the present day.

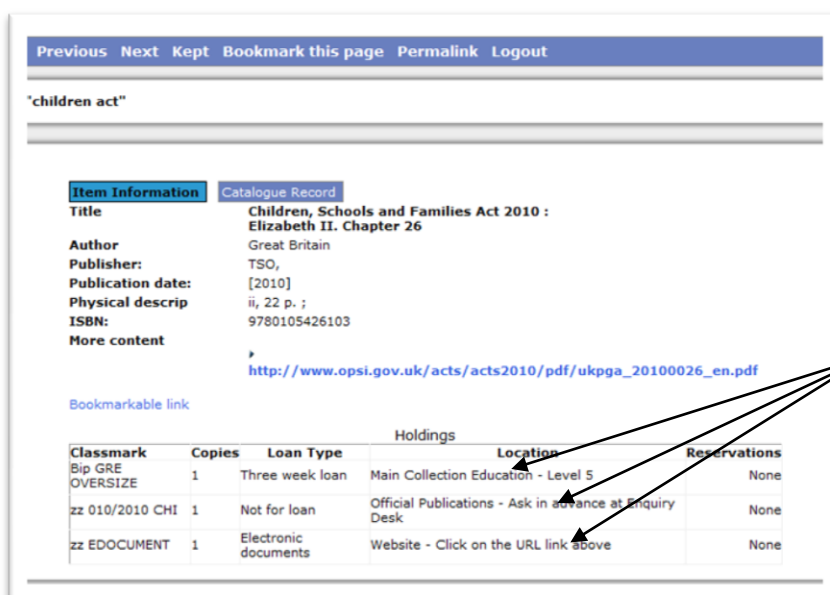
Most recent Official Publications are available online. The two main sites are http://www.opsi.gov.uk/legislation/about_legislation for legislation and <http://www.publications.parliament.uk/> for Parliamentary information. There are also a range of other sites publishing official information listed at the end of this guide.

The Library still collects in print when it is available so you will find copies of some publications on the open shelves in the Main Education collection on Level 5 or the Reference collection on level 4. However, most of it is kept in our Official Publications collection in store and it is available on request. For further information on this service contact the Library Enquiry Desk lib.enquiries@ioe.ac.uk.

Government Publications

•Acts (Acts of Parliament)

Legislative statements of parliament that have become statute (written) law. Search by name of act **e.g. Children, Schools and Families Act 2010**



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"children act"

Item Information Catalogue Record

Title Children, Schools and Families Act 2010 : Elizabeth II. Chapter 26

Author Great Britain

Publisher: TSO,

Publication date: [2010]

Physical descrip ii, 22 p. ;

ISBN: 9780105426103

More content

http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts2010/pdf/ukpga_20100026_en.pdf

Bookmarkable link

Holdings					
Classmark	Copies	Loan Type	Location	Reservations	
Bip GRE OVERSIZE	1	Three week loan	Main Collection Education - Level 5	None	
zz 010/2010 CHI	1	Not for loan	Official Publications - Ask in advance at Enquiry Desk	None	
zz EDOCUMENT	1	Electronic documents	Website - Click on the URL link above	None	

This shows we have 2 x print copies (Main collection and Official Publications) and there is also a link to the online version.

•Statutory Instruments (SIs)

Amendment or update made to an act so that it may be carried out without the need to pass a new act. Search by general title **e.g. Statutory instruments**

The screenshot shows a library catalog interface. At the top, there are navigation links: 'New Search', 'Renew Your Loans', 'Contact Us', 'Other Resources', and 'Your Account'. Below this is a search bar with the text 'record 16 of 16 for search "statutory instruments"'. The main content area is titled 'Item Details' and has two tabs: 'Item Information' (selected) and 'Catalogue Record'. Under 'Item Information', the following details are listed: Title: Statutory instruments; Author: Great Britain; Publisher: HMSO; Publication date: 1964-. There is a 'More content' link pointing to 'http://www.opsi.gov.uk/stat.htm'. Below this is a 'Bookmarkable link' section. At the bottom, there is a table of holdings. The table has columns for 'Classmark', 'Copies', 'Loan Type', 'Holdings', 'Location', and 'Reservati'. The first row shows 'zz 020', '1', 'Not for loan', 'Official Publications - Ask in advance at Enquiry Desk', and 'N'. The second row shows 'zz EDOCUMENT', '1', 'Electronic documents', 'Website - Click on the URL link above', and 'N'. There are two arrows pointing from the text on the right to the 'Website - Click on the URL link above' cell in the second row of the holdings table.

This shows we have 1 x print copy of SIs since 1964 in the Official Publications collection and there is also a link to the online version. We do not catalogue individual SIs by name or number.

•Hansard (both House of Commons and House of Lords)

Printed transcripts of the debates which take place within the House of Commons and the House of Lords. We do not have paper copies in the library but they are all available online at <http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmhansrd.htm>, and they are available at Senate House Library.

•House of Commons and House of Lords Papers and Bills

Draft legislation concerning financial matters and other matters which are submitted with the intention that they will become acts of parliament- once they have passed through a series of stages and procedures. **e.g. School Admissions Bill**
We have paper copies of these, plus they are available online at <http://www.parliament.uk/business/bills-and-legislation/>

• General Committees (including Public Bill committees)

Formerly known as Standing Committee debates, the purpose of General Committees is to consider proposed legislation. This is unique to the House of Commons. A Public or Private Bill Committee is appointed for each Bill that goes through Parliament.

Public Bill Committee Debates are available in print in the Official Publications Collection and online at <http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/stand.htm>

General Committee Debates are available in print in the Official Publications Collection and online at <http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/othstn.htm>

•Select Committee reports

Select Committees work in both Houses. They check and report on areas ranging from the work of government departments to economic affairs.

Both Commons and Lords Select Committee reports related to education are available in print in the Official Publications Collection and available online

<http://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/commons-select/education-committee/publications/previous-sessions/>

•Statistical sources

Statistical sources of information are many and varied. Most commonly in relation to education they relate to demographics, social indicators such as free school meals provision and ethnicity in relation to educational provision and attainment. The most current statistics are normally available online mainly at The Department for Education, <http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/rsgateway/index.shtml> and the UK National Statistics Publication Hub <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/hub/children-education-skills/index.html>.

The Library still collects print copies of statistical volumes where available. A key word search on the catalogue is the most effective way to find them.

•Statutory guidance

This is guidance issued by the government which must be put into place and followed if an educational organisation is to comply with regulations laid down by the state. As statute law, they are enforceable. They are available in print in the Official Publications Collection and available online. A key word search on the catalogue is the most effective way to find them.

e.g. Title: Statutory guidance on promoting the health and well-being of looked after children

•Command Papers

A paper issued by the government and presented to British parliament by 'Her Majesty's command' - hence the name command paper. They include green and white papers, Government responses to reports, Royal Commission Reports and reports of major committees of inquiry.

The screenshot shows the 'Institute of Education Library Catalogue' interface. At the top, there are navigation links: 'New Search', 'Renew Your Loans', 'Contact Us', 'Other Resources', and 'Your Account'. Below this is a search bar with 'Back', 'Help', 'New Search', 'Kept', 'Bookmark this page', 'Permalink', and 'Logout' options. The search results show 'record 1 of 1 for search "support for all and green paper"'. The 'Item Details' section is expanded to show 'Item Information' and 'Catalogue Record'. The 'Item Information' includes: Title: 'Support for all', Author: 'Great Britain. Department for Children, Schools and Families', Publisher: 'TSO', Publication date: '2010', Physical description: '138 p.', and ISBN: '9780101778725'. The 'Catalogue Record' section shows a URL: 'http://publications.education.gov.uk/default.aspx?PageFunction=productdetails&PageMode=publications&ProductId=CM+7;'. Below this is a 'Holdings' table with columns: 'Classmark', 'Copies', 'Loan Type', 'Location', and 'Reservations'. The table contains three rows of data.

Classmark	Copies	Loan Type	Location	Reservations
BeJ GRE OVERSIZE	1	Three week loan	Main Collection Education - Level 5	None
zz 199/2010 SUP	1	Not for loan	Official Publications - Ask in advance at Enquiry Desk	None
zz EDOCUMENT	1	Electronic documents	Website - Click on the URL link above	None

This shows there is one print copy in the Main collection, one print copy in the Official Publications Collection and that it is also available online.

'Non-governmental' publications

Also included in our Official Publications are publications related to the work or to the policies of government that are directly relevant to education. This includes codes of practice, research studies, and other materials produced by government related bodies and Quangos primarily concerned with education.

As with the Government Publications, the Library collects print copies where possible, and these can be found in the Main, Reference or Official Publications collections. You can also access the online version direct from the Library Catalogue record where it is available.

You will need to use the title or keyword search on the Library Catalogue.

Key Online sources

Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS) <http://www.bis.gov.uk/>
Department for Children, Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills (DCELLS) <http://new.wales.gov.uk/about/civilservice/departments/dcells/?lang=en>
Department for Education (DFE) <http://www.education.gov.uk/>
Department of Education Northern Ireland (DENI) <http://www.deni.gov.uk/>
Department for Employment and Learning Northern Ireland (DELNI) <http://www.delni.gov.uk/>
ESTYN (Her Majesty's Inspectorate for Education and Training in Wales) <http://www.estyn.gov.uk/>
Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) <http://www.hesa.ac.uk/>
Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIE)(Scotland) <http://www.hmie.gov.uk/>
Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted) <http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/>
Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE) <http://www.hefce.ac.uk/>
National College for Leadership of Schools and Children's services (NCLSCS) <http://www.nationalcollege.org.uk/>
National curriculum online <http://curriculum.qcda.gov.uk/>
Office for Fair Access (OFFA) <http://www.offa.org.uk/>
Office of Qualifications and Examinations regulation <http://www.ofqual.gov.uk/>
Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA) <http://www.qaa.ac.uk/>
Scottish Executive <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Education>
Skills Funding Agency <http://skillsfundingagency.com/>
Training and Development Agency for Schools (TDA) <http://www.tda.gov.uk/>
Young People's Learning Agency (YPLA) <http://www.ypla.gov.uk/>

Derek Gillard's website '*The History of Education in England*' provides a good overview of English education including a selection of 'classic' documents.
<http://www.educationengland.org.uk/index.html>

Further Help

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