



Cardiff Index to Legal Abbreviations and the University of Aberdeen Library Catalogue

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QG LAW005 [https://www.abdn.ac.uk/library/documents/guides/qglaw005.pdf]

The **Cardiff Index to Legal Abbreviations** is a web-based service which allows you to search for the meaning of abbreviations for English language legal publications. It also includes a wide selection of major foreign language law publications. The focus of the database is law reports and law periodicals, but it includes some legislative publications and major textbooks. It allows users to:

- find the name of the publication to which a legal abbreviation commonly refers,
- find the preferred citation abbreviation (if one exists) if the full title of a law publication is known,
- find commonly used but unauthorised abbreviations for a legal title,
- determine whether a title's name has altered, whether the title is part of a series of publications, whether it is reprinted in another publication, etc,
- find out if Aberdeen University Library has holdings for a law publication using the **International Standard Series Number (ISSN)** for that publication.

NB Older legal titles will not have an ISSN.

Searching the database

Go to www.legalabbrevs.cardiff.ac.uk/

If you wish to know:

- law publication titles that match an abbreviation – select **Search by Abbreviation**
- the correct abbreviation for the title of a law publication – select **Search by Title**.

Search by Abbreviation

1. Type the abbreviation in the **Search** box.
2. Select Search Option: **Exact** or **Close**.
3. Click on **Search**.

On the **Search Results** screen:
click on the **Title** (e.g. Scots Law Times) to
obtain full details of the record (See below).

Abbreviations

Exact Abbreviation Search for "SLT" Total 1

Preferred Abbreviation	Alternate Abbreviations	Title	Jurisdiction
SLT	S.L.T. ; Sc.L.T. ; Scots L.Times	Scots Law Times	Scotland

Scots Law Times

Alternative Title:

Period : 1893-

Preferred Abbreviation: SLT

Alternative Abbreviations: S.L.T. ; Sc.L.T. ; Scots L.Times ; SLT

Continued By: -

Continued From: -

ISSN: [0036-908X](#)

Jurisdiction: Scotland

Reprint:

Volume:

Using Cardiff Index to search for a law publication in the Library Catalogue

To find out if this title is available in the Library:
click on the **ISSN** (International Standard Series Number).

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Search Result Details

Scots Law Times	
ISSN	0036-908X
Alternative Title	-
Jurisdiction	Scotland
Period	1893-
Continued By	-
Continued From	-
Preferred Abbreviation	SLT
Alternative Abbreviation	S.L.T.
Reprint Title	-
Volume	-

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Select Institution

Select Location:

Select Institution:

If your institution is not listed above, ask the library staff to contact us at legalabbrevs@cardiff.ac.uk to discuss whether it is possible to link the Cardiff Index to Legal Abbreviations with your library catalogue.

Link to Title : [University of Aberdeen](#)

The first time you use the service to search for a title in the **Library Catalogue** you will be asked to identify your institution.

- Click on the drop-down menu in the **Select Location** box, and select **Scotland**.
- Click on the drop-down menu in the **Select Institution** box, and select **University of Aberdeen**.
- Click on the **University of Aberdeen** in the **Link to Title** box.
- In a separate window a search for the title will begin automatically.

If the search is successful, the Library Catalogue is opened, and the results will be displayed in a table which gives the name of the site library holding the title and the number of copies available (see below).

#	Author	Title	Year	Format	Copies owned/out
1		The Scots law times [electronic resource]	1893-	SE Serial	
2		The Scots law times	1893-	SE Serial	Taylor Library(476/ 0)

Click on the **item number** or **title** to open a full view of the record and gain access to the electronic version of the publication – if available.

Click on the **name of the site library** to find out more about availability, loan type, number of copies held.

Search by Title

1. Type the title in the **search** box.
2. Select Search Option: **Exact Words**
Phrase
Keyword
3. Click on **Search**.

The results of the title search will be displayed in a table which also includes preferred and alternative abbreviations.

On the **Search Results** screen:

Click on the **Title** to obtain full details of the record.

Title	Preferred Abbrev	Alternate Abbrev	Jurisdiction
Scots Law Times	SLT	S.L.T. ; Sc.L.T. ; Scots L.Times	Scotland
Scots Law Times Lands Tribunal Reports	-	L.T.S.R. ; S.L.T.(Land Ct.) ; S.L.T.(Lands Tr.)	Scotland
Scots Law Times, Lyon Court Reports	S.L.T.(Lyon Ct.)	-	Scotland

If the full details of the record include the ISSN, you can choose to search for the title in the Library Catalogue – see section on **Searching by Abbreviation**.

Help and advice

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