

PREFACE

This Revised Edition of the Laws of Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno Islands has been prepared in accordance with the Revised Edition of the Laws Ordinance 2001. It contains the ordinances and subsidiary legislation in force on the 31st day of December 2000, together with subsequent amendments to the laws down to the date of publication, which are appropriate to be included.

A chronological list of the ordinances made since the Pitcairn Order in Council 1952 down to the present time has been included. All prior regulations applicable to Pitcairn, made under the authority of the Pacific Order in Council 1893, lapsed with the coming into force of the Order of 1952 and have not been listed. They included the Pitcairn Island Government Regulations approved by the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific in 1941. These were, however, given the force of law by Ordinance No.2 of 1952 and continued to form the base of the Island administration.

As in the case of previous editions of the Laws, the subsidiary legislation made under each ordinance is printed immediately after the ordinance under which it is made. Any enactments which may have been authorised by the Revised Edition of the Laws Ordinance 2001 to be omitted from this edition will nevertheless remain in force until such time as they may become spent or are repealed or replaced.

The present work does not include the Statutory Instruments which apply to the Islands, other than the Pitcairn Order 1970 as amended by the Pitcairn (Amendment) Order 2000, the Pitcairn Court of Appeal Order 2000 and the Pitcairn (Appeals to the Privy Council) Order 2000. It is intended to publish the Statutory Instruments applicable to the Islands in a separate volume.

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ADDENDUM

The Annual Revision of Laws Ordinance 2002 now provides for the revision of further laws made since the Revised Edition of the Laws 2001 by the preparation and publication in January of each year, or as soon as possible thereafter, of the ordinances and subsidiary legislation enacted during the previous year. Each annual revised edition will be published together with the previous revised editions and consolidated with them. The source of each amendment will be shown at the end of the amended text. The first such annual revision has now been issued and the new ordinances are to be found in a second volume of the laws.

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