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Request

To access information from social security jersey. This would be in the form of documents which state the rules, guidelines, regulations which can be applied to a person claiming income support. To give me the ability to understand and have confirmation of these rules and regulations.

Response

The public documents the department uses are:

Legislation:

<https://www.jerseylaw.je/laws/revised/pages/search-chapters.aspx?k=chapter%3A26%2A>

Sub-ordinate Legislation:

<https://www.jerseylaw.je/laws/superseded/Pages/2014/26.550.20.aspx>

<https://www.jerseylaw.je/laws/superseded/Pages/2014/26.550.30.aspx>

<https://www.jerseylaw.je/laws/superseded/Pages/2014/26.550.30.aspx>

<https://www.jerseylaw.je/laws/revised/Pages/26.550.70.aspx>

<https://www.jerseylaw.je/laws/revised/Pages/26.550.80.aspx>

Ministerial Policy:

Income Support Policy Guidelines - July 2015

In addition the social security department has produced internal guidance documents for income support. These are our Income Support Determining Officers Guidelines.

A copy of these Determining Officers Guidelines is available for you to collect from our reception desk at Social Security on computer CD.

The full guidelines contain a number of specific examples to illustrate points. These may be based on real cases as experience is gained and may often be the only example. As such, there is concern that individuals may be identified, or identity assumed. Therefore, to protect the privacy of those who have claimed Income Support and any possible breach of the Data Protection (Jersey) Law 2005, the specific examples have been redacted from the guideline extract provided in response to the FOI request.

This information is exempt under Article 25 (Personal Information) of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011, as the information constitutes third party personal data. Article 25 (2) provides that personal information is exempt if disclosure would contravene any of the data protection principles defined in the Data Protection (Jersey) Law 2005.