**Reference guide**

**ALJ**  

**ALJR**  
Australian Law Journal Reports.

**CJ**  
Journals of the House of Commons. References are to session and page, e.g. CJ (1857–58) 247–8.

**CLR**  
Commonwealth Law Reports.

**Constitution**  
Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act (63 and 64 Victoria, Ch. 12), an Act of the United Kingdom Parliament assented to on 9 July 1900, and commencing to operate on 1 January 1901. The text of this Act and the Constitution, section 9 of the Act, is attached.

**Gazette**  
Commonwealth of Australia Gazette and, from July 1973 until June 1977, Australian Government Gazette. References are to number/date/page (if any), e.g. Gazette S64 (4.3.88) 4.

**HC**  
House of Commons Paper. References are to number/session/page, e.g. HC 34 (1967–68) 4.

**H.C. Deb.**  
House of Commons Debates. References are to date and page, e.g. H.C. Deb. (31.10.80) 916.

**H.R. Deb.**  
Parliamentary Debates (Hansard—House of Representatives). From 1901 until March 1953 House of Representatives and Senate debates were bound together as ‘Parliamentary Debates’ volumes I to CIII and 103 to 221. Since September 1953 separate volumes have been published for each House from volume 1. References are to date and page, e.g. H.R. Deb. (13.10.2003) 21144. Page numbers are those of final volumes; pagination of daily proof issues differs.

**J**  
Journals of the Senate. References are to sessional volume/page, e.g. J 1974–75/628.

**May**  
Erskine May’s *Treatise on the Law, Privileges, Proceedings and Usage of Parliament*, first published in 1844, is commonly referred to as *May’s Parliamentary Practice* and is the standard reference text on the procedure and practice of Parliament in the United Kingdom. The edition current at March 2005 is the 23rd edition published by LexisNexis UK in 2004. Also of relevance, by virtue of s. 49 of the Constitution, are the 10th (1893) and 11th (1906) editions.

**NP**  
Odgers


PP

Parliamentary Paper. Parliamentary papers are those papers which have been presented to either House of the Parliament and which have been ordered to be printed or to be made a Parliamentary Paper. From 1901 until 1967 Parliamentary papers were numbered and bound according to sessions. References are to number/session/page (of paper, not volume), e.g. PP 32 (1964–66) 27. Since 1967 papers have been numbered consecutively for each year and bound and indexed in annual volumes, and are therefore referred to by year not session.

Prior to 1963 certain papers relating solely to either the House or Senate were designated H of R or S and (prior to 1961) were published only in the Votes and Proceedings or Journals volumes respectively, e.g. H of R 1 (1962–63) 43 and S 2 (1954–55) 24.


Quick and Garran


Regulations

Regulations are referred to by title/statutory rule number/year, e.g. War Precautions (Military Service Referendum) Regulations, SR 290 of 1917 (and see SR).

S. Deb.

Parliamentary Debates (Hansard)—Senate. References are to date and page, e.g. S. Deb. (11.5.89) 2385. Page numbers are of weekly and bound volumes; pagination of daily proof issues differs.

SNP

Senate Notice Paper. References are to Notice Paper number/date/page, e.g. SNP 153 (10.5.89) 5909.

Senate S.O.

Senate standing order.

S.O.

Standing order. The House of Representatives standing orders as at 8 February 2005.

SR

Statutory Rule. Statutory Rules are rules, regulations or by-laws made by the Governor-General under an Act of the Parliament and are published in annual volumes. Statutory Rules in force on 31 December 1956 are consolidated and pamphlet consolidations of subordinate legislation are also issued (and see Regulations).

The Table

Journal of the Society of Clerks-at-the-Table in Commonwealth Parliaments.

VP

Votes and Proceedings of the House of Representatives from 1901 to present. Contained in bound volumes and indexed by session. References are to sessional volume/page, e.g. VP 2002–04/1085.