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Ireland

This section offers you an overview of Ireland's land register.

What does the Irish land register offer?

The Irish Land Register is operated and maintained by the [Property Registration Authority of Ireland](#), the statutory body responsible for land registration in Ireland.

You can find both **legal** and **factual** details in the Irish land register.

Each title record is divided into three parts.

Part 1 describes the **geographical location** of the property, by reference to a digital map and type of tenure (freehold or leasehold).

Part 2 contains the **names and addresses** of the registered owners and the nature of the legal title.

Part 3 sets out the **legal encumbrances** (mortgages, rights of way, etc.) affecting the property.

Is access to the Irish land register free of charge?

The Irish land register is an 'open' register. There is thus no restriction on using the service and the **Property Registration Authority** (PRA) charges no subscription fee for access.

However, fees are charged for **actual usage** of the service – at rates set out in the prevailing statutory fees order. Fees may be paid electronically or manually.

The Irish Land Register **subscription service** requires:

A pre-paid account kept in credit

An assigned user ID and password

Configuration of the appropriate security access.

At present, you can take out a subscription to the [Irish Land Register](#) service directly from the **Property Registration Authority**.

There are currently over 15,000 subscribed users of the [Irish Land Registry](#), and over 3 million transactions are conducted through the online service annually.

Since 2011, access to the Land Registry map and folio databases is also provided on a non-subscription basis and payment of fees by credit card is supported.

How to search the Irish land register

The Irish land register may be searched by a variety of means, including:

Official title number

Postal address of the property

By navigating the online map

By selecting a map area

By inputting map coordinates

History of the Irish land register

The current system of land registration in operation in Ireland was **established in 1892**. Based on an 'open' register underpinned by a state-guarantee, the system was designed to replace gradually a registration of deeds system that had been in operation since 1707.

Related Links

[European Land Information Service](#), [Portal for Irish Government websites](#), [Property Registration Authority of Ireland](#), [Online services from Irish land register](#)

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