

## **P780: Caithness Registers of Motor Cars, 1903-1921**

### **RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT**

Reference number:	P780
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Title:	Caithness Register of Motor Cars
Dates of creation:	1903-1921
Level of description:	Fonds
Extent:	2 bundles
Format:	Paper

### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators:	Caithness County Council
Administrative history:	Under the Motor Car Act of 1903, county councils (and some larger burghs) in Scotland were responsible for keeping registers of motor cars and issuing licences. In 1919 the Roads Act was passed and vehicle registration in the UK was placed under the newly-formed Ministry of Transport, but administration of the system remained with county councils and larger burghs. In 1969 the Vehicle and Driving Licences Act centralised the system under the DVLC in Swansea, but some authorities maintained their own records until as late as 1978.
Custodial history:	Original in private hands (see below); a digitised copy deposited with HARC via Am Baile in 2003 as HCA/Acc.1159.

### **RECORDS' CONTENT**

Description:	Caithness register of motor cars, SK1-SK637
Appraisal:	
Accruals:	

### **RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE**

Access: Open

Closed until:

Access conditions: Standard conditions apply

Copying: Copying permitted within standard Copyright Act parameters

Finding aids: Available in Archive searchroom

### ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: Under the Roads Act of 1920, councils were required to keep card indexes and files for all vehicles, as well as registers. The card indexes for Caithness registrations (SK) 1921-1948 are held by the Kithead Trust, Droitwich Spa.

The original registers 1903-20 (SK 1 - 637) and allocation books 1949-60 (SK 3567 to GSK 336L) are in the possession of Mr Sutherland, Garage House, Sinclair Street, Halkirk, Caithness, KW12 6XZ

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Ref.	Description	Dates
P780/1	Photocopies of Caithness register of motor cars SK1-SK441 [1 bundle]	1903-1921
P780/2	Photocopies of Caithness register of motor cars SK442-SK637 [1 bundle]	1903-1921
P780/3	CD-Rs of Caithness register of motor cars SK1-SK637 in TIFF, JPEG and PDF files [3 CD-Rs]	1903-1921