OSCALA

**-Remember that, if you want to reference an act of parliament, then you have to use England Parliament Act only because we are in England. For example, if you want to mention “health and safety issue” then you can reference it to a parliament act. Obviously, it is up to you if you want to use any act of parliament where is suitable to use as a reference, for example, in health and safety issue.**

**-The footnotes should be used to reference sources only. The lecturer said that she is free to disregard footnotes that contain inappropriate information or information that should belong in the main text.**

**Be precise in your citation which means Cite the section of the page or Act in the book not just the entire book or Act. We expect this level of detail.**

-When you are making a point about law you must cite a statute or case law (known as primary sources) to show what you are saying is legally correct and not simply your unsupported opinion.

-Text-books and journal articles are known as secondary sources. These will point you in the direction of the relevant cases and statutes.

-When you are making a criticism, explaining how the law works, giving an opinion or suggesting reform you will use opinion-based authority such as journal articles or textbooks.

**-The below are very useful links to show how to use OSCALA correctly:**

<https://library.port.ac.uk/guides/docs/LG795.pdf> : this is quite helpful. It provides very basic instructions and examples. *(Recommended)*

<https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/sites/files/oxlaw/oscola_4th_edn_hart_2012quickreferenceguide.pdf> : this is an OSCALA Quick Reference Guide

<https://library.port.ac.uk/guides/docs/LG649.pdf> : this shows exactly how your bibliography should be.

<https://library.port.ac.uk/guides/docs/LG202.pdf> : this also provides a basic example of how to cite primary resources.

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<https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/sites/files/oxlaw/oscola_4th_edn_hart_2012.pdf> : section one (pg:1-12) to get a good general introduction. The rest of the guide provides very good examples of how to incorporate works into your text, footnotes, and references list. (this is 2012, it might be an old version, so look for the new version)