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- [Statements of truth](#)**Wont a statement of truth be less reliable than a statutory declaration in support of a claim?**

We do not believe there is an increased risk of fraud, as the person making a statement or declaration will be under a responsibility not to make false representations and the format of the document will not affect this.

The new Land Registry forms that incorporate a statement of truth include the following warning as to the consequences of fraud. The warning also applies to a freestanding statement of truth and to a statutory declaration:

If you dishonestly enter information or make a statement that you know is, or might be, untrue or misleading, and intend by doing so to make a gain for yourself or another person, or to cause loss or the risk of loss to another person, you may commit the offence of fraud under section 1 of the Fraud Act 2006, the maximum penalty for which is 10 years imprisonment or an unlimited fine, or both.

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