Sequence of Treaties in Each Issue-Area

Issue areas are given in bold. The relevant treaties/documents in each area are listed from earliest to latest. Full text can be found at http://www.icrc.org/ihl.nsf/TOPICS?OpenView.

Aerial Bombardment

Hague 1899: Convention (II) with Respect to the Laws and Customs of War on Land and its annex: Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land.; Declaration (IV,1), to Prohibit, for the Term of Five Years, the Launching of Projectiles and Explosives from Balloons, and Other Methods of Similar Nature

Hague 1907: Declaration (XIV) Prohibiting the Discharge of Projectiles and Explosives from Balloons

Hague 1922-23 (not a treaty): Rules concerning the Control of Wireless Telegraphy in Time of War and Air Warfare.

Amsterdam 1938 (not a treaty): Draft Convention for the Protection of Civilian Populations Against New Engines of War.

ICRC 1956 (not a treaty): Draft Rules for the Limitation of the Dangers incurred by the Civilian Population in Time of War.

Edinburgh 1969 (not a treaty): The Distinction between Military Objectives and Non_Military Objectives in General and Particularly the Problems Associated with Weapons of Mass Destruction.

Geneva 1980: Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Incendiary Weapons (Protocol III).

Armistice/Flag of Truce/Cease-fire

Hague 1899: : Convention (II) with Respect to the Laws and Customs of War on Land and its annex: Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land.

Hague 1907: Convention (IV) respecting the Laws and Customs of War on Land and its annex: Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land.

Oxford 1913: Manual of the Laws of Naval War

Chemical and Biological Weapons

Hague 1899: Convention (II) with Respect to the Laws and Customs of War on Land and its annex: Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land; Declaration (IV,2) concerning Asphyxiating Gases.

Hague 1907: Convention (IV) respecting the Laws and Customs of War on Land and its annex: Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land

Washington 1922 (not a treaty): Treaty relating to the Use of Submarines and Noxious Gases in Warfare

Geneva 1925: Protocol for the Prohibition of the Use of Asphyxiating, Poisonous or Other Gases, and of Bacteriological Methods of Warfare

Amsterdam 1938 (not a treaty): Draft Convention for the Protection of Civilian Populations Against New Engines of War

Edinburgh 1969 (not a treaty): The Distinction between Military Objectives and Non_Military Objectives in General and Particularly the Problems Associated with Weapons of Mass Destruction

London 1972: Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction

Treatment of Civilians

Hague 1899: Convention (II) with Respect to the Laws and Customs of War on Land and its annex: Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land.

Hague 1907: Convention (IV) respecting the Laws and Customs of War on Land and its annex: Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land

Oxford 1913 (not a treaty): Manual of the Laws of Naval War

Tokyo 1934 (not a treaty): Draft International Convention on the Condition and Protection of Civilians of enemy nationality who are on territory belonging to or occupied by a belligerent

Amsterdam 1938 (not a treaty): Draft Convention for the Protection of Civilian Populations Against New Engines of War

Geneva 1949: Convention (IV) relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War

ICRC 1956 (not a treaty): Draft Rules for the Limitation of the Dangers incurred by the Civilian Population in Time of War

Edinburgh 1969: The Distinction between Military Objectives and Non_Military Objectives in General and Particularly the Problems Associated with Weapons of Mass Destruction

Geneva 1977: Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I)

Geneva 1980: Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Incendiary Weapons (Protocol III)

Cultural Property
Hague 1899: Convention (II) with Respect to the Laws and Customs of War on Land and its annex: Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land

Hague 1907: Convention (IX) concerning Bombardment by Naval Forces in Time of War

Washington 1935: Treaty on the Protection of Artistic and Scientific Institutions and Historic Monuments (Roerich Pact).

Hague 1954: Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict; Protocol for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict.

Conduct on the High Seas (including submarine warfare)
Paris 1856: Declaration Respecting Maritime Law

Hague 1899: Convention (III) for the Adaptation to Maritime Warfare of the Principles of the Geneva Convention of 22 August 1864.

Hague 1907: Convention (VI) relating to the Status of Enemy Merchant Ships at the Outbreak of Hostilities; Convention (VII) relating to the Conversion of Merchant Ships into War_Ships; Convention (VIII) relative to the Laying of Automatic Submarine Contact Mines; Convention (IX) concerning Bombardment by Naval Forces in Time of War; Convention (X) for the Adaptation to Maritime Warfare of the Principles of the Geneva Convention; Convention (XI) relative to certain Restrictions with regard to the Exercise of the Right of Capture in Naval War.

London 1909 (not a treaty): Declaration concerning the Laws of Naval War

Oxford 1913 (not a treaty, does reflect treaty interpretation): Manual of the Laws of Naval War

Washington 1922 (not a treaty): Treaty relating to the Use of Submarines and Noxious Gases in Warfare.

Hague 1922-23 (not a treaty): Rules concerning the Control of Wireless Telegraphy in Time of War and Air Warfare.

London 1930: Treaty for the Limitation and Reduction of Naval Armaments, (Part IV, Art. 22, relating to submarine warfare). (limited to 5 years)

London 1936 (not a treaty): Procès_verbal relating to the Rules of Submarine Warfare set forth in Part IV of the Treaty of London of 22 April 1930.

Geneva 1949: Convention (II) for the Amelioration of the Condition of Wounded, Sick and Shipwrecked Members of Armed Forces at Sea.

Prisoners of War
Hague 1899: Convention (II) with Respect to the Laws and Customs of War on Land and its annex: Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land.

Hague 1907: Convention (IV) respecting the Laws and Customs of War on Land and its annex: Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land.

Oxford 1913:

Geneva 1929: Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War

Geneva 1949: Convention (III) relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War

Geneva 1977: Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I)

Declaration of War
Hague 1907: Convention (III) relative to the Opening of Hostilities

Treatment of Wounded
Geneva 1864: Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded in Armies in the Field

Hague 1899: Convention (II) with Respect to the Laws and Customs of War on Land and its annex: Regulations concerning the Laws and Customs of War on Land; Convention (III) for the Adaptation to Maritime Warfare of the Principles of the Geneva Convention of 22 August 1864.

Geneva 1906: Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armies in the Field.

Hague 1907: Convention (X) for the Adaptation to Maritime Warfare of the Principles of the Geneva Convention.

Geneva 1929: Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armies in the Field.

Monaco 1934 (not a treaty): First draft Convention adopted in Monaco (Sanitary cities and localities),

Geneva 1949: Convention (I) for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armed Forces in the Field; Convention (II) for the Amelioration of the Condition of Wounded, Sick and Shipwrecked Members of Armed Forces at Sea.

Geneva 1977: Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I)