
SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No. 227

COURT OF SESSION

**Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session
1994 Amendment) (Court Sittings) 2019**

Made - - - - 25th June 2019
Laid before the Scottish
Parliament - - - - 27th June 2019
Coming into force in accordance with paragraph 1(2)
to (4)

The Court of Session makes this Act of Sederunt under the powers conferred by section 103(1) of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014⁽¹⁾ and all other powers enabling it to do so.

Citation and commencement, etc.

1.—(1) This Act of Sederunt may be cited as the Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session 1994 Amendment) (Court Sittings) 2019.

- (2) This paragraph and paragraphs 2(1) and (2) come into force on 26th July 2019.
- (3) Paragraphs 2(3)(a) and (c), and schedules 1 and 3, come into force on 1st January 2021.
- (4) Paragraph 2(3)(b) and schedule 2 come into force on 6th January 2021.
- (5) A certified copy is to be inserted in the Books of Sederunt.

Amendment of the Rules of the Court of Session 1994

2.—(1) Chapter 10 (court sittings) of the Rules of the Court of Session 1994⁽²⁾ is amended in accordance with this paragraph.

(2) In rule 10.3 (holiday dates, periods and vacation sitting days), in the definition of “public holiday”, in the column of the Table labelled “2020”—

- (a) for “Monday 4th May 2020” substitute “Friday 8th May 2020”;
- (b) for “Monday 14th September 2020” substitute “Monday 21st September 2020”.

(3) In rule 10.3—

- (a) in the definition of “public holiday”, for the Table substitute the Table in schedule 1;

⁽¹⁾ 2014 asp 18.

⁽²⁾ The Rules of the Court of Session 1994 are in schedule 2 of the Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session 1994) 1994 (S.I. 1994/1443, last amended by S.S.I. 2019/147). Chapter 10 was substituted by S.S.I. 2017/414.

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- (b) in the definition of “vacation”, for the Table substitute the Table in schedule 2;
- (c) in the definition of “vacation sitting day”, for the Table substitute the Table in schedule 3.

Edinburgh
25th June 2019

CJM SUTHERLAND
Lord President
I.P.D.

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SCHEDULE 1

Paragraph 2(3)(a)

Table

<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>
Friday 1st January 2021	Monday 3rd January 2022	Monday 2nd January 2023
Monday 4th January 2021	Tuesday 4th January 2022	Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Friday 2nd April 2021	Monday 11th April 2022	Friday 7th April 2023
Monday 5th April 2021	Friday 15th April 2022	Monday 10th April 2023
Monday 19th April 2021	Monday 18th April 2022	Monday 17th April 2023
Monday 3rd May 2021	Monday 2nd May 2022	Monday 1st May 2023
Monday 17th May 2021	Monday 16th May 2022	Monday 15th May 2023
Monday 20th September 2021	Monday 19th September 2022	Monday 18th September 2023
Monday 6th December 2021	Monday 5th December 2022	Monday 4th December 2023
The afternoon of Friday 24th December 2021	The afternoon of Friday 23rd December 2022	The afternoon of Friday 22nd December 2023
Monday 27th December 2021	Monday 26th December 2022	Monday 25th December 2023
Tuesday 28th December 2021	Tuesday 27th December 2022	Tuesday 26th December 2023;

SCHEDULE 2

Paragraph 2(3)(b)

Table

<i>First column</i>	<i>Second column</i>
Saturday 27th March 2021	Friday 9th April 2021
Saturday 18th December 2021	Wednesday 5th January 2022
Saturday 9th April 2022	Friday 22nd April 2022
Saturday 24th December 2022	Friday 6th January 2023
Saturday 1st April 2023	Friday 14th April 2023
Saturday 23rd December 2023	Friday 5th January 2024;

SCHEDULE 3

Paragraph 2(3)(c)

Table

<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>
Wednesday 31st March 2021	Wednesday 13th April 2022	Wednesday 4th January 2023
Wednesday 7th April 2021	Wednesday 20th April 2022	Wednesday 5th April 2023

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2021	2022	2023
Wednesday 22nd December 2021	Wednesday 28th December 2022	Wednesday 12th April 2023
Wednesday 29th December 2021		Wednesday 27th December 2023.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Act of Sederunt)

This Act of Sederunt amends the Rules of the Court of Session 1994 to set out the public holidays, vacation periods and vacation sitting days of the Court of Session up to the end of the 2023 Winter vacation. It also moves the early May holiday in 2020 to Friday 8th May to commemorate VE Day and corrects the date of the September holiday in 2020.