

## SCHEDULE

### RULES OF COURT

#### *Magistrates' courts*

- 4 (1) In Article 13 of the Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (S.I. 1981/1675 (N.I. 26)) (magistrates' court rules), for paragraph (3A) substitute—
- “(3A) After making magistrates' courts rules the Rules Committee must submit them to the relevant authority.
- (3AA) The relevant authority must, after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice, allow or disallow rules submitted to it.
- (3AB) Magistrates' courts rules have effect only if the relevant authority allows them.
- (3AC) If the relevant authority disallows rules submitted to it, it must give the Rules Committee written reasons why it has disallowed them.”
- (2) After Article 13 of that Order insert—

#### *“Control of magistrates' courts rules*

- 13A(1) Magistrates' courts rules that are required under Article 13 to be submitted to the Lord Chancellor are subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament in the same manner as a statutory instrument and section 5 of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946 applies accordingly.
- (2) Magistrates' courts rules that are required under Article 13 to be submitted to the Department of Justice are subject to negative resolution.”

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014, Paragraph 4.