
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Civil Procedure Rules 1998

PART 8

ALTERNATIVE PROCEDURE FOR CLAIMS

Acknowledgment of service

8.3.—(1) The defendant must—

- (a) file an acknowledgment of service in the relevant practice form not more than 14 days after service of the claim form; and
- (b) serve the acknowledgment of service on the claimant and any other party.

(2) The acknowledgment of service must state—

- (a) whether the defendant contests the claim; and
- (b) if the defendant seeks a different remedy from that set out in the claim form, what that remedy is.

(3) The following rules of Part 10 (acknowledgment of service) apply—

- (a) rule 10.3(2) (exceptions to the period for filing an acknowledgment of service); and
- (b) rule 10.5 (contents of acknowledgment of service).

(4) Part 11 (disputing the court's jurisdiction) applies subject to the modification that in rule 11(4) (a) and (5)(b) (time limit for application disputing court's jurisdiction) references to the period for filing a defence are treated as if they were references to a period of 14 days from the filing of an acknowledgment of service.