
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 384

The Criminal Procedure Rules 2005

PART 16

RESTRICTIONS ON REPORTING AND PUBLIC ACCESS

Opposing an application for a reporting direction under section 46(6) of the Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999

16.2.—(1) If an application for a reporting direction is made in writing, any party to the proceedings who wishes to oppose that application must notify the applicant and the court officer in writing of his opposition and give reasons for it.

(2) A person opposing an application must state in the written notification whether he disputes that the—

- (a) witness is eligible for protection under section 46 of the Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999; or
- (b) granting of protection would be likely to improve the quality of the evidence given by the witness or the level of co-operation given by the witness to any party to the proceedings in connection with that party's preparation of its case.

(3) The notification under paragraph (1) must be given within five business days of the date the application was served on him unless an extension of time is granted under rule 16.6.

[Note. Formerly rule 3 of the Magistrates' Courts (Reports Relating to Adult Witnesses) Rules 2004 and rule 3 of the Crown Court (Reports Relating to Adult Witnesses) Rules 2004.]