
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Rules)

In consequence of modifications to statutory provisions made by the Coronavirus Act 2020 (c. 7), until those modifications expire these Rules make the following temporary amendments to the Criminal Procedure Rules 2015, S.I. 2015/1490:

| <i>Rule</i> | <i>Amendment</i> |
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| Part 2 | Rule 2.2 is amended by substituting definitions of live link consistent with the definitions contained in the modified Crime and Disorder Act 1998, Criminal Justice Act 2003 and Extradition Act 2003. Rules 2.7 and 2.8 are amended consequentially on modifications to the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. |
| Part 3 | Rules 3.2 and 3.9 are amended to impose on the court a duty to conduct hearings by live link in terms consistent with the modified Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and Criminal Justice Act 2003. Rules 3.3 and 3.5 are amended consequentially on the substituted definition of live link. The note to rule 3.28 is amended to accommodate modifications to the Mental Health Act 1983. |
| Part 5 | Rule 5.4 is amended to impose on the court officer a duty to record the identity of those who take part in a hearing by live link. |
| Part 14 | Rule 14.20 is amended consequentially on the substituted definition of live link. |
| Part 18 | Rules 18.1, 18.4, 18.23, 18.25 and 18.26 and the note at the end of Part 18 all are amended to accommodate the modifications to the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, the Criminal Justice Act 2003 and the Courts Act 2003. Rule 18.2, the table of contents of Part 18, and the table of contents of the Criminal Procedure Rules 2015 are amended consequentially. |
| Part 24 | The note to rule 24.11 is amended consequentially on modifications to the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. |
| Part 25 | The note to rule 25.16 is amended consequentially on modifications to the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. |
| Part 28 | The note to rule 28.8 is amended to accommodate modifications to the Mental Health Act 1983. |

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

| <i>Rule</i> | <i>Amendment</i> |
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| Part 47 | Rules 47.5, 47.25, 47.36, 47.55, 47.60, 47.63 and 47.67 are amended consequentially on the substituted definition of live link. |
| Part 50 | Rule 50.3 is amended to accommodate modifications to the Extradition Act 2003. Rule 50.17 is amended consequentially on the substituted definition of live link. |

These Rules come into force on 14th April 2020.