
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 759

The Criminal Procedure Rules 2020

PART 18

[^{F1}Measures to help a witness or defendant to give evidence or otherwise participate]

GENERAL RULES

[^{F1}Meaning of ‘intermediary’ and ‘intermediary’s report’]

18.3. In this Part

- (a) ‘intermediary’ means a person who is—
- (i) approved by the court for the purposes of section 29 of the Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999 (Examination of witness through intermediary),
 - [^{F2}(ii)] asked to assess a defendant’s communication needs, or
 - [^{F2}(iii)] appointed by the court to facilitate a defendant’s effective participation in the trial, when the defendant gives evidence or at any other time, where otherwise that defendant’s communication needs would impede such participation; and
- (b) a reference to ‘an intermediary’s report’ means a report by such a person which complies with [^{F3}rule 18.28].]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Original rule 18.3 renumbered as rule 18.4 and new rule 18.3 inserted (5.4.2021) by [The Criminal Procedure \(Amendment\) Rules 2021 \(S.I. 2021/40\)](#), rules 2(b), **9(e)(f)**
- F2** Existing rule 18.3(a)(ii) omitted and rule 18.3(a)(iii)(iv) renumbered as rule 18.3(a)(ii)(iii) (1.4.2024) by [The Criminal Procedure \(Amendment\) Rules 2024 \(S.I. 2024/62\)](#), rules 1, **8(b)(i)(ii)**
- F3** Words in rule 18.3(b) substituted (15.8.2022) by [The Criminal Procedure \(Amendment No. 2\) Rules 2022 \(S.I. 2022/815\)](#), rules 2(g), **12(c)**

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Criminal Procedure Rules 2020, Section 18.3.