
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2022 No. 44

The Family Procedure (Amendment) Rules 2022

Amendment of Part 6

12. For rule 6.8 (service of application by the court) substitute—

“Service of application by the court

6.8.—(1) Where the application is to be served by a court officer, the applicant must give the court officer—

- (a) the respondent’s usual email address (if known); and
- (b) the respondent’s last known or usual postal address,

at which the respondent is to be served in accordance with rule 6.4.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), a court officer will serve the application by email in accordance with rule 6.7A.

(3) Where—

- (a) an email address for service on the respondent is not provided; or
- (b) the applicant does not seek email service on the respondent,

a court officer will serve the application by first class post or other service which provides for delivery on the next business day.

(4) Where the court officer has sent to the applicant a notification of failure of service in accordance with rule 6.21 (postal service) or 6.21A (email service), the applicant may request the court officer to serve the document on the respondent at an alternative address.

(5) Where the court officer has served the respondent following a request in accordance with paragraph (4), the court will not try to serve the application again.”