



DISTRICT COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

NOTICE TO PRACTITIONERS

Practice Directions and Circulars to Practitioners - Revised and Reissued

Practice Directions (PDs) are issued by the Chief Judge and supplement the procedures set out in the Rules of Court. They impose obligations on the parties and their lawyers.

Circulars to Practitioners (CPs) are issued by the Principal Registrar and provide guidance about the practice of the Court.

The Court has undertaken a review of the form and content of its PDs and CPs and has resolved to:

- a) issue PDs and CPs separately;
- b) restructure each of PDs and CPs into three broad groups: General (applicable to civil and criminal proceedings), Civil (applicable to civil proceedings only) and Criminal (applicable to criminal proceedings only); and
- c) publish, as a separate CP, the 'usual orders' of the Court.

These instruments, together with associated forms and annexures, will be available on the Court's website. Any revisions made from time to time will be recorded in a table of amendments.

With the publication of the revised PDs and CPs today, all former practice directions and circulars to practitioners are revoked.

Dated 21 September 2023

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Her Honour Judge Julie Wager
Chief Judge of the District Court

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Dr Brenda McGivern
Principal Registrar of the District Court