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SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE PRACTICE DIRECTIONS

FOURTH COVID-19 EMERGENCY DIRECTIONS 2020

FAMILY COURT RULES

EXTENSION OF TIME DIRECTIONS

1. Introduction

- (1) These Practice Directions are issued by the Chancellor of the Judiciary pursuant to Rules 4.1 and 4.2(2) of the High Court (Family Proceedings and Procedure) Rules 2016.
- (2) It is envisaged that due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and the measures taken under the COVID-19 Emergency Practice Directions 2020 to contain and prevent its spread, there may be difficulty adhering to the required timelines. It is also recognised that litigants may have difficulty appearing to defend or prosecute their cases within the timelines stipulated in the High Court (Family Proceedings and Procedure) Rules 2016.
- (3) These Directions extend the time for the filing and fixing of matters.
- (4) These Practice Directions shall be deemed to have come into force on the 27th day of May 2020 and shall remain in force until further notification by the Chancellor in the *Gazette*.

2. Extension of time

The High Court (Family Proceedings and Procedure) Rules 2016 shall have effect as if –


- (a) in Rule 10.2(1), for the words “21 days” the words “30 days” were substituted;
- (b) in Rule 10.3, for the words “21 days” the words “30 days” were substituted;
- (c) in Rule 11.8, for the words “28 days” the words “35 days” were substituted;
- (d) in Rule 12.3(1), for the words “eight weeks” the words “ten weeks” were substituted;
- (e) in Rule 18.3(1) and (2), for the words “21 days” the words “30 days” were substituted; and

(f) in Rule 20.8(1) and (2), for the words “28 days” the words “35 days” were substituted.

3. Forms

The applicable practice forms and forms in the Schedule to the High Court (Family Proceedings and Procedure) Rules 2016 shall be modified to accommodate the extension of time referred to in paragraph 2.

Made this 8th day of July, 2020.


Yonette Cummings-Edwards, OR, CCH
Chancellor of the Judiciary (ag)

GUYANA

No. 5 of 2020

**SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE
PRACTICE DIRECTIONS**

**THIRD COVID-19 EMERGENCY DIRECTIONS 2020
CIVIL PROCEDURE RULES
EXTENSION OF TIME DIRECTIONS**

1. Introduction

- (1) These Practice Directions are issued by the Chancellor of the Judiciary pursuant to Rules 2.04(1) and 3.02(2) of the Civil Procedure Rules 2016.
- (2) Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and the measures taken under the COVID-19 Emergency Practice Directions 2020 to contain and prevent its spread, there may be difficulty adhering to the required timelines. It is recognised that litigants may have difficulty appearing to defend or prosecute their cases within the timelines stipulated in the Civil Procedure Rules 2016.
- (3) These Directions extend the time for the filing and fixing of matters.
- (4) These Practice Directions shall be deemed to have come into force on the 27th day of May 2020 and shall remain in force until further notification by the Chancellor in the *Gazette*.

2. Matters to which extension of time applies

The time extended in paragraph 3 shall apply —

- (a) to Statements of Claim and Fixed Date applications filed during the period these Directions are in force; and
- (b) *mutatis mutandis* to Part 9 (Disputing the Court's Jurisdiction) of the Civil Procedure Rules 2016.

3. Extension of time


The Civil Procedure Rules 2016 shall have effect as if —

- (a) in Rule 8.04(4)(a), for the words “on the day”, the words “within 2 days” were substituted;
- (b) in Rule 8.04(4)(b), for the words “4 days”, the words “6 days” were substituted;
- (c) in Rule 8.04(4)(c) –
 - (i) for the words “7 days” the words “14 days” were substituted; and
 - (ii) for the words “4 days” the words “10 days” were substituted;
- (d) in Rule 8.04(4)(d) –
 - (i) for the words “28 days” the words “42 days” were substituted; and
 - (ii) for the words “7 days” the words “20 days” were substituted; and
- (e) in Rule 10.01(2), for the words “28 days” the words 42 days were substituted.

4. Forms

The applicable forms set out in Schedule 3 to the Civil Procedure Rules 2016 shall be modified to accommodate the extension of time referred to in paragraph 3.

Made this 8th day of July, 2020.


Yonette Cummings-Edwards, QR, CCH
Chancellor of the Judiciary (ag)


SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE
NOTICE OF EXTENSION

SECOND COVID-19 EMERGENCY DIRECTIONS 2020

The **SECOND COVID-19 EMERGENCY DIRECTIONS 2020** published in the *Gazette* on the 3rd day of June 2020 shall be deemed to have been extended and shall remain in force until further notification by the Chancellor in the *Gazette*.

The above-named Directions shall be read and construed accordingly.

Made this 8th day of July, 2020.


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Yonette Cummings-Edwards, OR, CCH
Chancellor of the Judiciary (ag)