



District Court Amendment (Exhibits in Criminal Trials) Rule 2002

under the

District Court Act 1973

The District Court Rule Committee made the following rule of court under the *District Court Act 1973* on 27 June 2002.

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Acting Secretary of the Rule Committee

Explanatory note

The object of this Rule is to amend Part 53 of the *District Court Rules 1973*:

- (a) to require a party to criminal proceedings who seeks to tender a bundle of documents at the same time to number each document in the bundle and provide a schedule listing the numbered documents in the bundle, and
- (b) to ensure that the Court retains exhibits in criminal proceedings for a period of 90 days (instead of the current period of 60 days) after sentence is passed or deferred or a final order is made.

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1 Name of Rule

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2 Amendment of District Court Rules 1973

The District Court Rules 1973 are amended as set out in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Amendments

(Clause 2)

[1] Part 53, rule 8A

Insert after rule 8:

8A Tendering bundles of documents

If a party to proceedings seeks to tender more than one document to the Court at the same time (a *bundle of documents*), the party must:

- (a) number each document in the bundle of documents with a consecutive whole number commencing with “1”, and
- (b) prepare a schedule for the bundle of documents that provides a brief description of each document in the bundle next to the number for the document allocated as provided by paragraph (a), and
- (c) provide a copy of the schedule and the bundle of documents both to the Court and to each other party to the proceedings.

[2] Part 53, rule 9

Omit “60 days” from rule 9 (1) (b). Insert instead “90 days”.