



District Court Amendment (Cross-claims) Rule 2003

under the

District Court Act 1973

The District Court Rule Committee made the following rule of court under the *District Court Act 1973* on 6 March 2003.

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Explanatory note

The object of this Rule is to amend Part 20 rule 10 of the *District Court Rules 1973* to provide that a defendant to a cross-claim (the **original cross-claim**) who wishes to file a cross-claim in respect of the original cross-claim must do so within 1 month of being served with the original cross-claim, unless the Court grants leave for it to be filed after the expiry of that period.

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1 Name of Rule

This Rule is the *District Court Amendment (Cross-claims) Rule 2003*.

2 Amendment of District Court Rules 1973

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

Schedule 1 Amendment

(Clause 2)

Part 20 rule 10

Omit rule 10 (2). Insert instead:

- (2) A cross-claimant may file a cross-claim:
 - (a) if the cross-claim is filed in respect of an action to which the cross-claimant is a defendant—within 2 months after the day on which the cross-claimant is served with the statement of claim commencing the action, or
 - (b) if the cross-claim is filed in respect of another cross-claim to which the cross-claimant is a defendant—within 1 month after the day on which the cross-claimant is served with the cross-claim in respect of which the cross-claimant is a defendant, or
 - (c) if the period referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) has expired—only with the leave of the Court.