

Uniform Civil Procedure (Amendment No 103) Rule 2024

under the

Civil Procedure Act 2005

The Uniform Rules Committee has made the following rule of court under the *Civil Procedure Act 2005*.

REBEL KENNA Secretary of the Uniform Rules Committee

Explanatory note

The object of this rule is to deal with the payment of conduct money by electronic means.

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1 Name of rule

This rule is the Uniform Civil Procedure (Amendment No 103) Rule 2024.

2 Commencement

This rule commences on the day on which it is published on the NSW legislation website.

Schedule 1 Amendment of Uniform Civil Procedure Rules 2005

[1] Rule 33.1 Definitions

Omit rule 33.1(1), definition of *conduct money*. Insert instead—

conduct money means a sum of money or its equivalent, such as prepaid travel, that is sufficient to meet the reasonable expenses of an addressee attending court as required by a subpoena and returning after attending.

Example— Items equivalent to a sum of money include cash, cheque, bank cheque and funds transferred by electronic means, including electronic funds transfer or other digital payment systems. Prepaid travel may include petrol vouchers.

[2] Rule 33.6 Compliance with subpoena

Omit rule 33.6(1). Insert instead-

- (1) An addressee is not required to comply with a subpoena to attend to give evidence unless one of the following has occurred a reasonable time before the date on which attendance is required—
 - (a) conduct money has been provided to the addressee,
 - (b) an offer to pay conduct money by electronic means has been made to the addressee.
- (1A) An issuing party is taken to submit to orders of the court in relation to the payment of conduct money if the issuing party—
 - (i) offered to pay conduct money by electronic means to the addressee, and
 - (ii) has not paid the conduct money to the addressee before the addressee has given evidence.