
AMENDING PRACTICE DIRECTION 2016 (Criminal Proceedings)

This amending Consolidated Practice Direction is issued by the Presiding Judge of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia under section 28(1) of the Courts (Constitution and Jurisdiction) Ordinance 2007. It is intended to add a number of Practice Directions to the existing Practice Directions published in the Gazette as Public Instrument 12/2015 Gazette No. 1775 of 29 June 2015.

Citation

1. This may be cited as the amending Practice Direction (Criminal Proceedings) 2016.

Commencement

2. This Practice Direction comes into force on the day after publication in the Gazette.

Exhibits produced in Court:

1. Before a witness produces an exhibit, the party calling the witness is responsible for ensuring that, in a prominent part of the exhibit, the following information is inserted: the case number, the date on which it is produced, and the party producing it.
2. Following the presentation of their case and before final submissions, each party must produce a list of the exhibits.
3. Exhibits produced by consent should be numbered and dated as above and should be accompanied by a list named "Exhibits produced by consent", signed by the Counsel of both parties.

Summary of facts:

1. In cases where a plea of guilty is entered by an accused who is represented, when such case is to be adjourned to a later date for facts, mitigation and sentence, the prosecution must file the summary of facts electronically to the Court and to the representative of the accused at least 7 working days before the date fixed for hearing.
2. The Judge may in an appropriate case, upon application by the prosecution relieve the prosecution of the obligation to file a summary of the facts in accordance with sub-paragraph 1 above.

Dated this 2nd day of August 2016

The Hon. Mr Justice AR Collender QC
Presiding Judge
HM Court, Sovereign Base Areas

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