

168th UPDATE – PRACTICE DIRECTION AMENDMENTS

The amendments to the Practice Directions which supplement the Civil Procedure Rules 1998, are made by the Master of the Rolls under the powers delegated to him by the Lord Chief Justice under Schedule 2, Part 1, paragraph 2(2) of the Constitutional Reform Act 2005, and are approved by Lord Bellamy KC, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Justice, by the authority of the Lord Chancellor.

The amendment to Practice Direction 51ZC – The Small Claims Paper Determination Pilot comes into force on 31 May 2024.

The amendments to Practice Direction 74A – Enforcement of Judgments in different Jurisdictions come into force on the same date as the Civil Procedure (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2024.

The Right Honourable Sir Geoffrey Vos
Master of the Rolls and Head of Civil Justice

Signed by authority of the Lord Chancellor:

Lord Bellamy KC

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Justice

Ministry of Justice

Date: 15 May 2024

PRACTICE DIRECTION 51ZC – THE SMALL CLAIMS PAPER DETERMINATION PILOT

- 1) In paragraph 1.2, for “01 June 2024” substitute “01 December 2024”.

PRACTICE DIRECTION 74A – ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS IN DIFFERENT JURISDICTIONS

- 1) In paragraph 2—
 - a) at the end of sub-paragraph (3), for the full stop substitute a semi-colon; and
 - b) after sub-paragraph (3) insert—

“(4) section 15 (1) of the 1982 Act, which limits enforcement under Part I of that Act to judgments within the meaning given by article 4(1) of the 2005 Hague Convention and article 3(1) of the 2019 Hague Convention.”.
- 2) For paragraph 3(1)(c), substitute—

“(c) sections 4, 4B and 4C of the 1982 Act;”.
- 3) In paragraph 3(2), after “article 13 of the 2005 Hague Convention,” insert “article 12 of the 2019 Hague Convention,”.
- 4) After paragraph 7.6, insert—

“7.7 In an application under section 12 of the 1982 Act relating to recognition and enforcement of a judgment under the 2019 Hague Convention, the certificate will be in the form recommended and published by the Hague Conference on Private International Law, which is available at: <http://www.hcch.net/>.”.