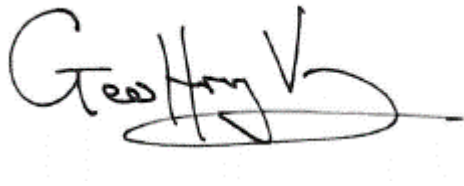


179TH UPDATE – PRACTICE DIRECTION AMENDMENTS

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 Sarah Sackman KC, Minister of State, by the authority of the Lord Chancellor.

The amendments to the existing Practice Directions come into force as follows—	
Practice Direction 2E – Jurisdiction of the County Court That May Be Exercised by a Legal Adviser	6 April 2025
Practice Direction 3B – Sanctions for Non-payment of Fees	6 April 2025
Practice Direction 25A – Interim Injunctions	6 April 2025
Practice Direction 25B – Interim Payments	6 April 2025
Practice Direction 27B – Claims Under the Pre-Action Protocol for Personal Injury Claims Below the Small Claims Limit in Road Traffic Accidents – Court Procedure	6 April 2025, subject to the transitional provision set out at the end of this instrument
Practice Direction 40B – Judgments and Orders	6 April 2025
Practice Direction 40F – Non-disclosure Orders Information Scheme	6 April 2025
Practice Direction 44 – General Rules About Costs	6 April 2025
Practice Direction 49H – Enforcement of Consumer Protection Law	6 April 2025
Practice Direction 51ZG1 – Pilot Scheme for cost budgeting in certain Business and Property Courts and Certain Business and Property Work in the County Court	6 April 2025
Practice Direction 51ZG2 – Pilot Scheme for Costs Budgeting in Certain Claims With a Value of Less Than £1Million	6 April 2025
Practice Direction 83 – Writs and Warrants – General Provisions	6 April 2025
Practice Direction – Civil Recovery Proceedings	6 April 2025
Transitional Provision	6 April 2025

Schedule 1: Practice Direction 49H – Enforcement of Consumer Protection Law	6 April 2025
Schedule 2: Practice Direction 51ZG1 – Pilot Scheme for cost budgeting in certain Business and Property Courts and Certain Business and Property Work in the County Court	6 April 2025
Schedule 3: Pilot Scheme for Costs Budgeting in Certain Claims With a Value of Less Than £1 Million	6 April 2025



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

Signed by authority of the Lord Chancellor:

Sarah Sackman KC

Minster of State

Ministry of Justice

Date:

**PRACTICE DIRECTION 2E – JURISDICTION OF THE COUNTY COURT THAT MAY
BE EXERCISED BY A LEGAL ADVISER**

- 1) In the Schedule, in entry 17, in the first column, for “25.6” substitute “25.21”.

PRACTICE DIRECTION 3B – SANCTIONS FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FEES

- 1) In paragraph 2—
 - a) for “25.11” substitute “25.10”; and
 - b) in the third sentence, for “(2)” substitute “(3)”.

PRACTICE DIRECTION 25A – INTERIM INJUNCTIONS

PRACTICE DIRECTION 25B – INTERIM PAYMENTS

- 1) Omit—
 - a) Practice Direction 25A – Interim Injunctions; and
 - b) Practice Direction 25B – Interim Payments.

PRACTICE DIRECTION 27B – CLAIMS UNDER THE PRE-ACTION PROTOCOL FOR PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS BELOW THE SMALL CLAIMS LIMIT IN ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS – COURT PROCEDURE

- 1) In paragraph 1.14(2)—
 - a) in paragraph (a), for “180” substitute “226”;
 - b) in paragraph (b)—
 - i) in sub-paragraph (i), for “420” substitute “527”;
 - ii) in sub-paragraph (ii), for “360” substitute “451”;
 - iii) in sub-paragraph (iii), for “180” substitute “226”; and
 - iv) in sub-paragraph (iv), for “180” substitute “226”;
 - c) in sub-paragraph (c)—
 - i) for “30” substitute “38”; and
 - ii) for “80” substitute “100”; and
 - d) in paragraph (d), for “50” substitute “63”.
- 2) In paragraph 9.4(2), for “The claimant” substitute “Where paragraph 12.4(1)(a) of the RTA Small Claims Protocol applies, the claimant”.
- 3) In Appendix C, in Table D, for the entry for “The Compensator’s Response” substitute—

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The Compensator's Response	Only required in those cases where there has been a liability response before the Court Pack list is created	
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PRACTICE DIRECTION 40B – JUDGMENTS AND ORDERS

- 1) In paragraph 6.4—
 - a) for “25.8(2)” substitute “25.20(6)”; and
 - b) for “25.8(5)” substitute “25.20(8)”.

PRACTICE DIRECTION 40F – NON-DISCLOSURE ORDERS INFORMATION SCHEME

- 1) In paragraph 5(d), for “Practice Direction 25A, paragraph 9.2” substitute “rule 25.11”.

PRACTICE DIRECTION 44 - GENERAL RULES ABOUT COSTS

- 1) In paragraph 7.3(1), after paragraph (b), in the words in parentheses, for “(n)” substitute “(o)”.

PRACTICE DIRECTION 49H – ENFORCEMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION LAW

- 1) After Practice Direction 49G (applications under Part III of the Family Law Reform Act 1969 for use of scientific tests to determine parentage) insert new Practice Direction 49H – Enforcement of Consumer Protection Law as set out in Schedule 1 to this instrument.

PRACTICE DIRECTION 51ZG1 – PILOT SCHEME FOR COST BUDGETING IN CERTAIN BUSINESS AND PROPERTY COURTS AND CERTAIN BUSINESS AND PROPERTY WORK IN THE COUNTY COURT

- 1) After Practice Direction 51ZF (Part 3 of the Domestic Abuse Act 2021 – provision during piloted commencement), insert new Practice Direction 51ZG1 – Pilot Scheme for cost budgeting in certain Business and Property Courts and Certain Business and Property Work in the County Court as set out in Schedule 2 to this instrument.

PRACTICE DIRECTION 51ZG2 – PILOT SCHEME FOR COSTS BUDGETING IN CERTAIN CLAIMS WITH A VALUE OF LESS THAN £1 MILLION

- 1) After new Practice Direction 51ZG1 (Pilot Scheme for cost budgeting in certain Business and Property Courts and Certain Business and Property Work in the County Court as set out in Schedule 2 to this instrument), insert new Practice Direction 51ZG2 – Pilot Scheme for Costs Budgeting in Certain Claims With a Value of Less Than £1 Million as set out in Schedule 3 to this instrument.

PRACTICE DIRECTION 83 – WRITS AND WARRANTS – GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1) After the heading to this Practice Direction insert—

“This Practice Direction supplements Part 83

Contents of this Practice Direction

Title	Number
Section I – Scope and interpretation	
Scope – Rule 83.1	Para. 1
Section II – Writs and warrants	
Writs and warrants other than those conferring a power to use the TCG procedure – duration and priority – Rule 83.3	Para. 2
Notice of eviction and further notice of eviction – Rule 83.8A	Para. 2A
Section III – Writs	
Forms of Writs	Paras. 3.1 to 3.3
Writs other than those conferring a power to use the TCG procedure – order for sale otherwise than by auction – Rule 83.12	Paras. 4.1 & 4.2
Applications for and orders for writ of possession or for writ of possession and control – Rule 83.13	Paras. 5.1 to 5.3
Section IV – Warrant of Control	
Application for warrant of control – Rule 83.15	Para. 6

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- 2) Immediately above the heading to paragraph 2, insert “**Section II – Writs and warrants**”.

- 3) After paragraph 2, insert—

“Notice of eviction and further notice of eviction – Rule 83.8A

2A The notice of eviction required by rule 83.8A must be in Form N54, and any further notice of eviction or further notices of eviction required by that rule must be in Form N54A.”.

4) After paragraph 4.2, insert—

“Applications for and orders for writ of possession or for writ of possession and control – Rule 83.13

5.1 An application for a writ of possession or for a combined writ of possession and control in relation to a judgment or order of the County Court for possession which has been transferred (by order or by a certificate under Rules 40.14A and 83.19) to the High Court for enforcement and which does not require the permission of the court should be in Form PF92, which must be filed together with the documents referred to in that form, namely—

(a) as applicable—

- (i) the Judgment or Order of the County Court for possession; and
- (ii) the Order or Certificate of the County Court for the transfer of the enforcement proceedings to the High Court; and

(b) a draft of the writ sought to be issued.

5.2 An Order for the grant of permission for and the issue of a writ of possession or a combined writ of possession and control in relation to a judgment or order of the County Court for giving possession of land in a claim against trespassers where the application is made more than 3 months after the date of the judgment or order should be in Form MO92B, and a completed draft of which form should accompany the application notice seeking permission.

5.3 An Order for the grant of permission for and the issue of a writ of possession in order to enforce a notice under section 33D of the Immigration Act 2014 should be in Form MO92C, and a completed draft of which form should accompany the application notice seeking permission.”.

5) In paragraph 5—

a) immediately above the heading to that paragraph, insert—

“Section IV – Warrants”; and

b) renumber paragraph 5 as paragraph 6.

6) Omit what is currently paragraph 6.

PRACTICE DIRECTION – CIVIL RECOVERY PROCEEDINGS

1) In paragraphs 5.2, 7D.2, 8.3, and 18.5—

a) for “Section I”, in each place it appears, substitute “Sections I to V”; and

b) in each place it appears, omit “and Practice Direction 25A”.

TRANSITIONAL PROVISION

The amendments made to paragraph 1.14(2) of Practice Direction 27B – Claims Under the Pre-Action Protocol for Personal Injury Claims Below the Small Claims Limit in Road Traffic Accidents – Court Procedure, only apply to claims where the Small Claim Notification Form is submitted by the claimant on or after 6th April 2025.

SCHEDULE 1

“PRACTICE DIRECTION 49H – ENFORCEMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION LAW

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1. GENERAL

Definitions

1.1 In this Practice Direction—

'the 2024 Act' means the Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024;

'the 2015 Act' means the Consumer Rights Act 2015;

'the CMA' means the Competition and Markets Authority; and

'the direct enforcement procedure' means the direct enforcement powers exercisable by the CMA under Chapter 4 of Part 3 of the 2024 Act.

Scope

1.2 This Practice Direction applies to—

- (a) applications under Chapter 3 of Part 3 of the 2024 Act and paragraph 16A of Schedule 5 to the 2015 Act; and
- (b) appeals under section 202 of the 2024 Act and paragraph 16D of Schedule 5 to the 2015 Act against a notice issued by the CMA.

Starting proceedings

1.3 The applications referred to at paragraph 3.4 must be made using Form N244 in accordance with Part 23 and Part 25 as appropriate, subject to any modification of that procedure by this Practice Direction.

- 1.4 Save as above, proceedings to which this Practice Direction applies may be started by using a Part 7 or a Part 8 claim form as appropriate, subject to any modification of that procedure by this Practice Direction.

Headings of documents

- 1.5 The claim form and any application, affidavit, witness statement, notice or other document in proceedings to which this Practice Direction applies must be headed 'In the matter of [the name of the respondent in question] and in the matter of [the relevant law]', where '[the relevant law]' means the 2024 Act or the 2015 Act, as the case may be.

2. ALLOCATION OF APPLICATIONS

- 2.1 Applications under paragraph 1.2(a) to the High Court must be issued in the King's Bench Division.
- 2.2 An application for an interim enforcement order under section 159 of the 2024 Act or an application for an interim online interface order under section 162 of the 2024 Act may be determined by a Master or District Judge unless otherwise ordered.

3. INTERIM REMEDIES

- 3.1 Part 25 applies to applications for interim enforcement orders and interim online interface orders under sections 159 and 162 of the 2024 Act subject to paragraphs 3.2 to 3.6.
- 3.2 The circumstances in which an interim enforcement order or an online interface order may be made are respectively set out in sections 159 and 162 of the 2024 Act.
- 3.3 Rule 25.3(2) does not apply.

(The circumstances in which the court may grant an interim enforcement order or an interim online interface order where no notice of an application has been given to the respondent are set out in sections 159(3) and 162(2) of the 2024 Act respectively.)

Applications by the CMA

- 3.4 Paragraphs 3.5 to 3.6 apply to applications for an interim enforcement order or an online interface order made by the CMA without issuing a claim in circumstances where it intends to proceed under the direct enforcement procedure.
- 3.5 Rules 25.2(2) and (4) and 25.8(2) do not apply.
- 3.6 The evidence provided by the CMA in support of the application must include—
- (a) an indicative timetable setting out how the CMA intends to proceed, with reference to relevant parts of its rules and guidance under sections 210 and 212 of the 2024 Act respectively; and
 - (b) the proposed return date on which the CMA will report to the court on the progress of the exercise of its direct enforcement powers.

4. APPEALS

- 4.1 Appeals under paragraph 1.2(b) must be issued in the King's Bench Division.
- 4.2 Part 52 and Practice Direction 52D apply to appeals made under section 202 of the 2024 Act and paragraph 16D of Schedule 5 to the 2015 Act, subject to paragraphs 4.3 to 4.16.

Permission to appeal

- 4.3 Rule 52.3 does not apply.

Appellant's notice

4.4 Rules 52.12(1) and (2) do not apply.

4.5 The appellant must file the appellant's notice (Form N161) at the Kings Bench Division within the applicable time period set out in sections 202(6), (7) and (9) of the 2024 Act or paragraphs 16D(5) and (6) of Schedule 5 to the 2015 Act. The appellant's notice must be accompanied by the appropriate fee.

4.6 The following must be provided with the appellant's notice—

- (a) a concise statement of the facts;
- (b) details of the decision, penalty or direction to which the appeal relates and a copy of the relevant notice in which that decision, penalty or direction is set out;
- (c) a summary of the applicable ground or grounds under sections 202(2) and (3) of the 2024 Act or paragraphs 16D(2) and (3) of Schedule 5 to the 2015 Act for contesting the decision, penalty or direction, identifying in particular—
 - (i) the statutory provisions under which the appeal is brought;
 - (ii) to what extent (if any) the appellant contends that the disputed decision, penalty or direction was based on an error of fact or was wrong in law;
 - (iii) to what extent (if any) the appellant contends that the amount of any penalty or the nature of any direction is unreasonable; and
 - (iv) to what extent (if any) the appellant contends that the disputed decision, penalty or direction was unreasonable or wrong for any other reason;
- (d) a succinct presentation of the arguments supporting each of the grounds of appeal, to be as brief as the issues allow and no more than 20 pages of double-spaced A4 paper in total;
- (e) a schedule listing the documents annexed to the appellant's notice;
- (f) a copy of every document (or part of a document) upon which the appellant relies, including the written statements of all witnesses of fact and expert witnesses (if any); and

- (g) a statement identifying the evidence (whether witness statements or other documents annexed to the notice of appeal) the substance of which, so far as the appellant is aware, was not before the maker of the disputed decision penalty or direction.

Respondent's notice

4.7 Rule 52.13 does not apply.

4.8 The respondent must—

- (a) unless the court orders otherwise, file the respondent's notice at the appeal court within 21 days of service of the appellant's notice; and
- (b) serve the respondent's notice on the appellant and any other respondent as soon as practicable, and in any event not later than 7 days after it is filed.

4.9 The following must be provided with the respondent's notice—

- (a) a succinct presentation of the arguments of fact and law upon which the respondent will rely;
- (b) details of any objection to the admission of evidence put forward by the appellant;
- (c) a schedule listing the documents annexed to the response;
- (d) a statement identifying the evidence (whether witness statements or other documents annexed to the response) the substance of which, so far as the respondent is aware, was not referred to in the disputed decision, penalty or direction, or disclosed to the appellant before that decision, penalty or direction, was made; and
- (e) as far as practicable, a copy of every document (or part of a document) upon which the respondent relies including the written statements of all witnesses of fact and expert witnesses, if any, but excluding any document (or part of a document) annexed to appellant's notice.

Transcripts at public expense

4.10 Rule 52.14 does not apply.

(Where an oral hearing is held by the CMA during the direct enforcement procedure, a transcript will be obtained by the CMA and made available to the respondent in accordance with guidance published under section 212 of the 2024 Act.)

Stay

4.11 Rule 52.16 does not apply to appeals to which section 202(8) of the 2024 Act and paragraph 16D(7) of Schedule 5 to the 2015 Act apply.

Appeal court's powers

4.12 Rules 52.20(2)(a) to (d) do not apply.

(The relevant appeal court's powers are set out in section 202(4) of the 2024 Act and paragraph 16D(4) of Schedule 5 to the 2015 Act.)

Hearing of appeals

4.13 Rules 52.21(1) to (3) do not apply.

(The grounds on which an appeal court may allow an appeal are set out in sections 202(2) and (3) of the 2024 Act and paragraphs 16D(2) and (3) of Schedule 5 to the 2015 Act).

4.14 The appeal court may give directions for a case management conference or pre-hearing review to be held where it considers it necessary or desirable. At such a hearing or otherwise, the court may give directions as to—

- (a) the provision by the parties of statements of agreed matters;
- (b) the issues on which it requires evidence, and the admission or exclusion from the proceedings of particular evidence;
- (c) the nature of the evidence which it requires to decide those issues;
- (d) whether the parties are permitted to provide expert evidence;
- (e) any limit on the number of witnesses whose evidence a party may put forward, whether in relation to a particular issue or generally;
- (f) the way in which evidence is to be placed before the appeal court; and

(g) the provision of skeleton arguments and bundles.

4.15 In deciding whether to admit or exclude evidence, the appeal court shall have regard to whether it would be just and proportionate to admit or exclude the evidence, including by reference to the following factors—

- (a) the statutory provision under which the appeal is brought and the applicable standard of review being applied by the appeal court;
- (b) the prejudice that may be suffered by one or more parties if the evidence is admitted or excluded; and
- (c) whether the evidence is necessary for the appeal court to determine the case.

4.16 In deciding whether to admit or exclude evidence, the substance of which was not available to the respondent before the disputed decision was taken, in addition to the factors above, the appeal court shall have regard to the reason why the party seeking to adduce the evidence had not made it available to the respondent at that time.”

SCHEDULE 2

“PRACTICE DIRECTION 51ZG1 – PILOT SCHEME FOR COST BUDGETING IN CERTAIN BUSINESS AND PROPERTY COURTS AND CERTAIN BUSINESS AND PROPERTY WORK IN THE COUNTY COURT

1. This Practice Direction establishes pilot schemes to test new approaches to costs budgeting in certain Business and Property Courts (“BPC”) and certain Business and Property work in the County Court and applies to relevant claims issued on or after 1 April 2025 and before 1 April 2028.
2. The provisions of Section II of Part 3 (costs management) and Practice Direction 3D shall apply, save as modified by this Practice Direction. Rules 3.13 and 3.14 shall not apply.
3. In this Practice Direction—

- (a) “relevant claim” means a Part 7 multi-track claim to which Section II of Part 3 and Practice Direction 3D applies and which is proceeding—
 - (i) in the BPC of England and Wales;
 - (ii) in the BPC in Manchester and the BPC in Leeds; or
 - (iii) as Business and Property work in the County Court at Manchester, Leeds, or Central London;
 - (b) “simplified costs budget” means Precedent Z annexed to this Practice Direction;
 - (c) “simplified budget discussion report” means Precedent RZ annexed to this Practice Direction;
 - (d) “the form for variation of a simplified costs budget” means Precedent TZ annexed to this Practice Direction.
4. Unless the court orders otherwise, all parties except litigants in person shall file and serve a simplified costs budget by no later than 21 days before the first case management conference.
5. Where the relevant claim contains either no statement of value or seeks only non-monetary relief or the parties are unable to agree whether the claim value is £1 million or more, unless the court orders otherwise the claim shall be treated as if it had a value of £1 million or more.
6. Where the relevant claim has a value of £1 million or more—
- (a) the court shall not manage the costs of the parties unless satisfied that the litigation can only be conducted justly and at proportionate cost if a costs management order is made;
 - (b) where a costs management order is to be made, the court may give case management directions at the first case management conference and shall give directions in respect of costs management which may include—
 - (i) whether the court will manage the costs of any party using the simplified costs budget;
 - (ii) whether the court considers it necessary for any party to file and serve a costs budget using Precedent H or an updated simplified costs budget;

- (iii) for the filing of a budget discussion report or a simplified budget discussion report; and
- (iv) the listing of a costs management conference or a costs and case management conference as appropriate. Unless the court orders otherwise, any such hearing shall be listed to be heard within 35 days of the first case management conference.

7. Where the claim has a value of less than £1 million—

- (a) where that party has been served with a simplified costs budget, each represented party must, and each litigant in person may, file and serve a simplified costs budget report no later than 7 days before the first case management conference;
- (b) at the first case management conference, the court will give case management directions and, unless satisfied in accordance with rule 3.15(2) that a costs management order is not required, make a costs management order by reference to the simplified costs budget.

8. Where the court makes a costs management order using a simplified costs budget, the provisions of rule 3.15 (costs management orders), rule 3.15A (revision and variation of budgets), rule 3.16 (costs management conferences), rule 3.17 (having regard to budgets), and rule 3.18 (assessing costs on the standard basis), shall apply with necessary modification such that references to a “budget” in those provisions shall include a simplified costs budget and references to Precedent T shall include Precedent TZ.

9. Where the court does not make a costs management order—

- (a) the provisions of paragraphs 3.2 to 3.7 of Practice Direction 44 shall apply as if reference in those paragraphs to a budget is reference to the simplified costs budget filed in accordance with paragraph 4 of this Practice Direction and any updated simplified costs budget;
- (b) unless the court orders otherwise, each party shall file and serve an updated simplified costs budget no later than 28 days before—

- (i) the start of the trial;
- (ii) the start of any trial window; or
- (iii) 7 days before any pre-trial review,

whichever is the earlier; and

- (c) the court may order a party to file an updated simplified costs budget at any stage of the proceedings.

10. If a party has failed to comply with its obligations under this Practice Direction, including the failure to file a simplified costs budget or Precedent H, the court may impose sanctions which may include limiting the recovery of the costs to be incurred to the applicable court fees.

Annex A – Precedent Z

Annex B – Precedent RZ

Annex C – Precedent TZ”

SCHEDULE 3

“PRACTICE DIRECTION 51ZG2 – PILOT SCHEME FOR COSTS BUDGETING IN CERTAIN CLAIMS WITH A VALUE OF LESS THAN £1 MILLION

1. This Practice Direction establishes a pilot scheme to test new approaches to costs budgeting in certain claims and applies to relevant claims issued on or after 1 April 2025 and before 1 April 2028.
2. The provisions of Section II of Part 3 (costs management) and Practice Direction 3D shall apply, save as modified by this Practice Direction. Rules 3.13 and 3.14 shall not apply.
3. In this Practice Direction—
 - (a) “relevant claim” means a Part 7 multi track-claim—

- (i) to which Section II of Part 3 and Practice Direction 3D applies;
 - (ii) which has a value of less than £1 million;
 - (iii) to which neither Practice Direction 51ZG1 nor rule 44.13 applies;
 - (iv) which is proceeding in the County Court at Central London or at the Leeds or Bristol District Registries;
 - (b) “simplified costs budget” means Precedent Z annexed to this Practice Direction;
 - (c) “simplified budget discussion” report means Precedent RZ annexed to this Practice Direction;
 - (d) “the form for variation of a simplified costs budget” means Precedent TZ annexed to this Practice Direction.
4. Unless the court orders otherwise all parties except litigants in person shall file and serve a simplified costs budget by no later than 21 days before the first case management conference.
5. Where that party has been served with a simplified costs budget each represented party must, and each litigant in person may, file and serve a simplified budget discussion report no later than 7 days before the first case management conference.
6. At the first case management conference the court will give case management directions and unless satisfied in accordance with rule 3.15(2), that a costs management order is not required, make a costs management order by reference to a simplified costs budget.
7. Where the court makes a costs management order using a simplified costs budget the provisions of rule 3.15 (Costs Management Orders), rule 3.15A (Revision and Variation of budgets), rule 3.16 (Costs Management Conferences), rule 3.17 (Having regard to budgets), and rule 3.18 (Assessing costs on the standard basis), shall apply with necessary modification such that references to a “budget” in those provisions shall include a simplified costs budget and references to Precedent T shall include Precedent TZ.

8. Where the court does not make a costs management order—
- (a) the provisions of paragraphs 3.2 to 3.7 of Practice Direction 44 shall apply as if reference in those paragraphs to a budget is reference to the simplified costs budget filed in accordance with paragraph 4 and any updated simplified costs budget;
 - (b) unless the court orders otherwise, each party shall file and serve an updated simplified costs budget no later than 28 days before—
 - (i) the start of the trial;
 - (ii) the start of any trial window; or
 - (iii) 7 days before any pre-trial review,whichever is the earlier; and
 - (c) the court may order a party to file an updated simplified costs budget at any stage of the proceedings.
9. If a party fails to comply with its obligations under this Practice Direction including a failure to file a simplified costs budget the court may impose sanctions which may include limiting the recovery of the costs to be incurred to the applicable court fees.

Annex A – Precedent Z

Annex B – Precedent RZ

Annex C – Precedent TZ”