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# HIGH ALERT: SCAM WARNING!!!

## TO ALL SUPPLIERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS OF THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING WORKS

It has come to the attention of the *GOVERNMENT PRINTING WORKS* that there are certain unscrupulous companies and individuals who are defrauding unsuspecting businesses disguised as representatives of the *Government Printing Works* (*GPW*).

The scam involves the fraudsters using the letterhead of *GPW* to send out fake tender bids to companies and requests to supply equipment and goods.

Although the contact person's name on the letter may be of an existing official, the contact details on the letter are not the same as the *Government Printing Works*'. When searching on the Internet for the address of the company that has sent the fake tender document, the address does not exist.

The banking details are in a private name and not company name. Government will never ask you to deposit any funds for any business transaction. *GPW* has alerted the relevant law enforcement authorities to investigate this scam to protect legitimate businesses as well as the name of the organisation.

Example of e-mails these fraudsters are using:

**PROCUREMENT@GPW-GOV.ORG**

Should you suspect that you are a victim of a scam, you must urgently contact the police and inform the *GPW*.

*GPW* has an official email with the domain as **@gpw.gov.za**

Government e-mails DO NOT have org in their e-mail addresses. All of these fraudsters also use the same or very similar telephone numbers. Although such number with an area code 012 looks like a landline, it is not fixed to any property.

*GPW* will never send you an e-mail asking you to supply equipment and goods without a purchase/order number. *GPW* does not procure goods for another level of Government. The organisation will not be liable for actions that result in companies or individuals being resultant victims of such a scam.

*Government Printing Works* gives businesses the opportunity to supply goods and services through RFQ / Tendering process. In order to be eligible to bid to provide goods and services, suppliers must be registered on the National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD). To be registered, they must meet all current legislative requirements (e.g. have a valid tax clearance certificate and be in good standing with the South African Revenue Services - SARS).

The tender process is managed through the Supply Chain Management (SCM) system of the department. SCM is highly regulated to minimise the risk of fraud, and to meet objectives which include value for money, open and effective competition, equitability, accountability, fair dealing, transparency and an ethical approach. Relevant legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and instructions can be found on the tender's website.

**Fake Tenders**

National Treasury's CSD has launched the Government Order Scam campaign to combat fraudulent requests for quotes (RFQs). Such fraudulent requests have resulted in innocent companies losing money. We work hard at preventing and fighting fraud, but criminal activity is always a risk.

**How tender scams work**

There are many types of tender scams. Here are some of the more frequent scenarios:

Fraudsters use what appears to be government department stationery with fictitious logos and contact details to send a fake RFQ to a company to invite it to urgently supply goods. Shortly after the company has submitted its quote, it receives notification that it has won the tender. The company delivers the goods to someone who poses as an official or at a fake site. The Department has no idea of this transaction made in its name. The company is then never paid and suffers a loss.

OR

Fraudsters use what appears to be government department stationery with fictitious logos and contact details to send a fake RFQ to Company A to invite it to urgently supply goods. Typically, the tender specification is so unique that only Company B (a fictitious company created by the fraudster) can supply the goods in question.

Shortly after Company A has submitted its quote it receives notification that it has won the tender. Company A orders the goods and pays a deposit to the fictitious Company B. Once Company B receives the money, it disappears. Company A's money is stolen in the process.

Protect yourself from being scammed

- If you are registered on the supplier databases and you receive a request to tender or quote that seems to be from a government department, contact the department to confirm that the request is legitimate. Do not use the contact details on the tender document as these might be fraudulent.
- Compare tender details with those that appear in the Tender Bulletin, available online at **www.gpwonline.co.za**
- Make sure you familiarise yourself with how government procures goods and services. Visit the tender website for more information on how to tender.
- If you are uncomfortable about the request received, consider visiting the government department and/or the place of delivery and/or the service provider from whom you will be sourcing the goods.
- In the unlikely event that you are asked for a deposit to make a bid, contact the SCM unit of the department in question to ask whether this is in fact correct.

Any incidents of corruption, fraud, theft and misuse of government property in the *Government Printing Works* can be reported to:

Supply Chain Management: Ms. Anna Marie Du Toit, Tel. (012) 748 6292.
Email: **Annamarie.DuToit@gpw.gov.za**

Marketing and Stakeholder Relations: Ms Bonakele Mbhele, at Tel. (012) 748 6193.
Email: **Bonakele.Mbhele@gpw.gov.za**

Security Services: Mr Daniel Legoabe, at tel. (012) 748 6176.
Email: **Daniel.Legoabe@gpw.gov.za**

# *Closing times for* **ORDINARY WEEKLY** *EASTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL GAZETTE* 2026

*The closing time is **15:00** sharp on the following days:*

- **18 December,** Thursday for the issue of Monday **29 December 2025**
- **24 December,** Wednesday for the issue of Monday **05 January 2026**
- **05 January,** Monday for the issue of Monday **12 January 2026**
- **12 January,** Monday for the issue of Monday **19 January 2026**
- **19 January,** Monday for the issue of Monday **26 January 2026**
- **26 January,** Monday for the issue of Monday **02 February 2026**
- **02 February,** Monday for the issue of Monday **09 February 2026**
- **09 February,** Monday for the issue of Monday **16 February 2026**
- **16 February,** Monday for the issue of Monday **23 February 2026**
- **23 February,** Monday for the issue of Monday **02 March 2026**
- **02 March,** Monday for the issue of Monday **09 March 2026**
- **09 March,** Monday for the issue of Monday **16 March 2026**
- **16 March,** Monday for the issue of Monday **23 March 2026**
- **23 March,** Monday for the issue of Monday **30 March 2026**
- **27 March,** Friday for the issue of Monday **06 April 2026**
- **02 April,** Thursday for the issue of Monday **13 April 2026**
- **13 April,** Friday for the issue of Monday **20 April 2026**
- **20 April,** Monday for the issue of Monday **27 April 2026**
- **23 April,** Thursday for the issue of Monday **04 May 2026**
- **04 May,** Monday for the issue of Monday **11 May 2026**
- **11 May,** Monday for the issue of Monday **18 May 2026**
- **18 May,** Monday for the issue of Monday **25 May 2026**
- **25 May,** Monday for the issue of Monday **01 June 2026**
- **01 June,** Monday for the issue of Monday **08 June 2026**
- **08 June,** Monday for the issue of Monday **15 June 2026**
- **12 June,** Friday for the issue of Monday **22 June 2026**
- **22 June,** Monday for the issue of Monday **29 June 2026**
- **29 June,** Monday for the issue of Monday **06 July 2026**
- **06 July,** Monday for the issue of Monday **13 July 2026**
- **13 July,** Monday for the issue of Monday **20 July 2026**
- **20 July,** Monday for the issue of Monday **27 July 2026**
- **27 July,** Monday for the issue of Monday **03 August 2026**
- **03 August,** Monday for the issue of Monday **10 August 2026**
- **07 August,** Friday for the issue of Monday **17 August 2026**
- **17 August,** Monday for the issue of Monday **24 August 2026**
- **24 August,** Monday for the issue of Monday **31 August 2026**
- **31 September,** Monday for the issue of Monday **07 September 2026**
- **07 September,** Monday for the issue of Monday **14 September 2026**
- **14 September,** Monday for the issue of Monday **21 September 2026**
- **18 September,** Friday for the issue of Monday **28 September 2026**
- **28 September,** Monday for the issue of Monday **05 October 2026**
- **05 October,** Monday for the issue of Monday **12 October 2026**
- **12 October,** Monday for the issue of Monday **19 October 2026**
- **19 October,** Monday for the issue of Monday **26 October 2026**
- **26 October,** Monday for the issue of Monday **02 November 2026**
- **02 November,** Monday for the issue of Monday **09 November 2026**
- **09 November,** Monday for the issue of Monday **16 November 2026**
- **16 November,** Monday for the issue of Monday **23 November 2026**
- **23 November,** Monday for the issue of Monday **30 November 2026**
- **30 November,** Monday for the issue of Monday **07 December 2026**
- **07 December,** Monday for the issue of Monday **14 December 2026**
- **11 December,** Friday for the issue of Monday **21 December 2026**
- **18 December,** Friday for the issue of Monday **28 December 2026**

# LIST OF TARIFF RATES

## FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICES

**COMMENCEMENT: 1 APRIL 2018**

### NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL

Notice sizes for National, Provincial & Tender gazettes 1/4, 2/4, 3/4, 4/4 per page. Notices submitted will be charged at R1008.80 per full page, pro-rated based on the above categories.

| Pricing for National, Provincial - Variable Priced Notices | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Notice Type** | **Page Space** | **New Price (R)** |
| Ordinary National, Provincial | 1/4 - Quarter Page | 252.20 |
| Ordinary National, Provincial | 2/4 - Half Page | 504.40 |
| Ordinary National, Provincial | 3/4 - Three Quarter Page | 756.60 |
| Ordinary National, Provincial | 4/4 - Full Page | 1008.80 |

### EXTRA-ORDINARY

All Extra-ordinary National and Provincial gazette notices are non-standard notices and attract a variable price based on the number of pages submitted.

The pricing structure for National and Provincial notices which are submitted as **Extra ordinary submissions** will be charged at R**3026.32** per page.

## GOVERNMENT PRINTING WORKS - BUSINESS RULES

The **Government Printing Works** (**GPW**) has established rules for submitting notices in line with its electronic notice processing system, which requires the use of electronic *Adobe* Forms. Please ensure that you adhere to these guidelines when completing and submitting your notice submission.

### Closing Times for Acceptance of Notices

1. The *Government Gazette* and *Government Tender Bulletin* are weekly publications that are published on Fridays and the closing time for the acceptance of notices is strictly applied according to the scheduled time for each gazette.

2. Please refer to the Submission Notice Deadline schedule in the table below. This schedule is also published online on the Government Printing works website www.gpwonline.co.za

   All re-submissions will be subject to the standard cut-off times.
   **All notices received after the closing time will be rejected**.

| Government Gazette Type | Publication Frequency | Publication Date | Submission Deadline | Cancellations Deadline |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| National Gazette | Weekly | Friday | Friday 15h00 for next Friday | Tuesday, 15h00 - 3 working days prior to publication |
| Regulation Gazette | Weekly | Friday | Friday 15h00 for next Friday | Tuesday, 15h00 - 3 working days prior to publication |
| Petrol Price Gazette | Monthly | Tuesday before 1st Wednesday of the month | One day before publication | 1 working day prior to publication |
| Road Carrier Permits | Weekly | Friday | Thursday 15h00 for next Friday | 3 working days prior to publication |
| Unclaimed Monies (Justice, Labour or Lawyers) | January / September 2 per year | Last Friday | One week before publication | 3 working days prior to publication |
| Parliament (Acts, White Paper, Green Paper) | As required | Any day of the week | None | 3 working days prior to publication |
| Manuals | Bi- Monthly | 2nd and last Thursday of the month | One week before publication | 3 working days prior to publication |
| State of Budget (National Treasury) | Monthly | 30th or last Friday of the month | One week before publication | 3 working days prior to publication |
| *Extraordinary Gazettes* | As required | Any day of the week | *Before 10h00 on publication date* | *Before 10h00 on publication date* |
| Legal Gazettes A, B and C | Weekly | Friday | One week before publication | Tuesday, 15h00 - 3 working days prior to publication |
| Tender Bulletin | Weekly | Friday | Friday 15h00 for next Friday | Tuesday, 15h00 - 3 working days prior to publication |
| Gauteng | Weekly | Wednesday | Two weeks before publication | 3 days **after** submission deadline |
| Eastern Cape | Weekly | Monday | One week before publication | 3 working days prior to publication |
| Northern Cape | Weekly | Monday | One week before publication | 3 working days prior to publication |
| North West | Weekly | Tuesday | One week before publication | 3 working days prior to publication |
| KwaZulu-Natal | Weekly | Thursday | One week before publication | 3 working days prior to publication |
| Limpopo | Weekly | Friday | One week before publication | 3 working days prior to publication |
| Mpumalanga | Weekly | Friday | One week before publication | 3 working days prior to publication |

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| Government Gazette Type | Publication Frequency | Publication Date | Submission Deadline | Cancellations Deadline |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gauteng Liquor License Gazette | Monthly | Wednesday before the First Friday of the month | Two weeks before publication | 3 working days **after** submission deadline |
| Northern Cape Liquor License Gazette | Monthly | First Friday of the month | Two weeks before publication | 3 working days **after** submission deadline |
| National Liquor License Gazette | Monthly | First Friday of the month | Two weeks before publication | 3 working days **after** submission deadline |
| Mpumalanga Liquor License Gazette | Bi-Monthly | Second & Fourth Friday | One week before publication | 3 working days prior to publication |

### Extraordinary Gazettes

3. *Extraordinary Gazettes* can have only one publication date. If multiple publications of an *Extraordinary Gazette* are required, a separate Z95/Z95Prov *Adobe* Forms for each publication date must be submitted.

### Notice Submission Process

4. Download the latest *Adobe* form, for the relevant notice to be placed, from the **Government Printing Works** website www.gpwonline.co.za.

5. The *Adobe* form needs to be completed electronically using *Adobe Acrobat* / *Acrobat Reader*. Only electronically completed *Adobe* forms will be accepted. No printed, handwritten and/or scanned *Adobe* forms will be accepted.

6. The completed electronic *Adobe* form has to be submitted via email to submit.egazette@gpw.gov.za. The form needs to be submitted in its original electronic *Adobe* format to enable the system to extract the completed information from the form for placement in the publication.

7. Every notice submitted **must** be accompanied by an official **GPW** quotation. This must be obtained from the *eGazette* Contact Centre.

8. Each notice submission should be sent as a single email. The email **must** contain **all documentation relating to a particular notice submission**.

   8.1. Each of the following documents must be attached to the email as a separate attachment:

      8.1.1. An electronically completed *Adobe* form, specific to the type of notice that is to be placed.

         8.1.1.1. For National *Government Gazette* or *Provincial Gazette* notices, the notices must be accompanied by an electronic Z95 or Z95Prov *Adobe* form

         8.1.1.2. The notice content (body copy) **MUST** be a separate attachment.

      8.1.2. A copy of the official **Government Printing Works** quotation you received for your notice. *(Please see Quotation section below for further details)*

      8.1.3. A valid and legible Proof of Payment / Purchase Order: **Government Printing Works** account customer must include a copy of their Purchase Order**. Non-Government Printing Works** account customer needs to submit the proof of payment for the notice

      8.1.4. Where separate notice content is applicable (Z95, Z95 Prov and TForm 3, it should **also** be attached as a separate attachment. *(Please see the Copy Section below, for the specifications)*.

      8.1.5. Any additional notice information if applicable.

## GOVERNMENT PRINTING WORKS - BUSINESS RULES

9. The electronic *Adobe* form will be taken as the primary source for the notice information to be published. Instructions that are on the email body or covering letter that contradicts the notice form content will not be considered. The information submitted on the electronic *Adobe* form will be published as-is.

10. To avoid duplicated publication of the same notice and double billing, Please submit your notice **ONLY ONCE.**

11. Notices brought to **GPW** by "walk-in" customers on electronic media can only be submitted in *Adobe* electronic form format. All "walk-in" customers with notices that are not on electronic *Adobe* forms will be routed to the Contact Centre where they will be assisted to complete the forms in the required format.

12. Should a customer submit a bulk submission of hard copy notices delivered by a messenger on behalf of any organisation e.g. newspaper publisher, the messenger will be referred back to the sender as the submission does not adhere to the submission rules.

### QUOTATIONS

13. Quotations are valid until the next tariff change.

    13.1. ***Take note:*** **GPW**'s annual tariff increase takes place on ***1 April*** therefore any quotations issued, accepted and submitted for publication up to ***31 March*** will keep the old tariff. For notices to be published from 1 April, a quotation must be obtained from **GPW** with the new tariffs. Where a tariff increase is implemented during the year, **GPW** endeavours to provide customers with 30 days' notice of such changes.

14. Each quotation has a unique number.

15. Form Content notices must be emailed to the *eGazette* Contact Centre for a quotation.

    15.1. The *Adobe* form supplied is uploaded by the Contact Centre Agent and the system automatically calculates the cost of your notice based on the layout/format of the content supplied.

    15.2. It is critical that these *Adobe* Forms are completed correctly and adhere to the guidelines as stipulated by **GPW**.

16. **APPLICABLE ONLY TO GPW ACCOUNT HOLDERS**:

    16.1. **GPW** Account Customers must provide a valid **GPW** account number to obtain a quotation.

    16.2. Accounts for **GPW** account customers **must** be active with sufficient credit to transact with **GPW** to submit notices.

        16.2.1. If you are unsure about or need to resolve the status of your account, please contact the **GPW** Finance Department prior to submitting your notices. (If the account status is not resolved prior to submission of your notice, the notice will be failed during the process).

17. **APPLICABLE ONLY TO CASH CUSTOMERS:**

    17.1. Cash customers doing **bulk payments** must use a **single email address** in order to use the **same proof of payment** for submitting multiple notices.

18. The responsibility lies with you, the customer, to ensure that the payment made for your notice(s) to be published is sufficient to cover the cost of the notice(s).

19. Each quotation will be associated with one proof of payment / purchase order / cash receipt.

    19.1. This means that **the quotation number can only be used once to make a payment.**

***GOVERNMENT PRINTING WORKS - BUSINESS RULES***

## Copy (Separate Notice Content Document)

20. Where the copy is part of a separate attachment document for Z95, Z95Prov and TForm03

20.1. Copy of notices must be supplied in a separate document and may not constitute part of any covering letter, purchase order, proof of payment or other attached documents.

The content document should contain only one notice. (You may include the different translations of the same notice in the same document).

20.2. The notice should be set on an A4 page, with margins and fonts set as follows:

Page size = A4 Portrait with page margins: Top = 40mm, LH/RH = 16mm, Bottom = 40mm; Use font size: Arial or Helvetica 10pt with 11pt line spacing;

Page size = A4 Landscape with page margins: Top = 16mm, LH/RH = 40mm, Bottom = 16mm; Use font size: Arial or Helvetica 10pt with 11pt line spacing;

## Cancellations

21. Cancellation of notice submissions are accepted by **GPW** according to the deadlines stated in the table above in point 2. Non-compliance to these deadlines will result in your request being failed. Please pay special attention to the different deadlines for each gazette. Please note that any notices cancelled after the cancellation deadline will be published and charged at full cost.

22. Requests for cancellation must be sent by the original sender of the notice and must accompanied by the relevant notice reference number (N-) in the email body.

## Amendments to notices

23. With effect from 01 October 2015, **GPW** will not longer accept amendments to notices. The cancellation process will need to be followed according to the deadline and a new notice submitted thereafter for the next available publication date.

## Rejections

24. All notices not meeting the submission rules will be rejected to the customer to be corrected and resubmitted. Assistance will be available through the Contact Centre should help be required when completing the forms. (012-748 6200 or email info.egazette@gpw.gov.za). Reasons for rejections include the following:

24.1. Incorrectly completed forms and notices submitted in the wrong format, will be rejected.

24.2. Any notice submissions not on the correct *Adobe* electronic form, will be rejected.

24.3. Any notice submissions not accompanied by the proof of payment / purchase order will be rejected and the notice will not be processed.

24.4. Any submissions or re-submissions that miss the submission cut-off times will be rejected to the customer. The Notice needs to be re-submitted with a new publication date.

## GOVERNMENT PRINTING WORKS - BUSINESS RULES

### APPROVAL OF NOTICES

25. Any notices other than legal notices are subject to the approval of the Government Printer, who may refuse acceptance or further publication of any notice.

26. No amendments will be accepted in respect to separate notice content that was sent with a Z95 or Z95Prov notice submissions. The copy of notice in layout format (previously known as proof-out) is only provided where requested, for Advertiser to see the notice in final Gazette layout. Should they find that the information submitted was incorrect, they should request for a notice cancellation and resubmit the corrected notice, subject to standard submission deadlines. The cancellation is also subject to the stages in the publishing process, i.e. If cancellation is received when production (printing process) has commenced, then the notice cannot be cancelled.

### GOVERNMENT PRINTER INDEMNIFIED AGAINST LIABILITY

27. The Government Printer will assume no liability in respect of—

27.1. any delay in the publication of a notice or publication of such notice on any date other than that stipulated by the advertiser;

27.2. erroneous classification of a notice, or the placement of such notice in any section or under any heading other than the section or heading stipulated by the advertiser;

27.3. any editing, revision, omission, typographical errors or errors resulting from faint or indistinct copy.

### LIABILITY OF ADVERTISER

28. Advertisers will be held liable for any compensation and costs arising from any action which may be instituted against the Government Printer in consequence of the publication of any notice.

### CUSTOMER INQUIRIES

Many of our customers request immediate feedback/confirmation of notice placement in the gazette from our Contact Centre once they have submitted their notice – While **GPW** deems it one of their highest priorities and responsibilities to provide customers with this requested feedback and the best service at all times, we are only able to do so once we have started processing your notice submission.
**GPW** has a 2-working day turnaround time for processing notices received according to the business rules and deadline submissions.
Please keep this in mind when making inquiries about your notice submission at the Contact Centre.

29. Requests for information, quotations and inquiries must be sent to the Contact Centre ONLY.

30. Requests for Quotations (RFQs) should be received by the Contact Centre at least **2 working days** before the submission deadline for that specific publication.

## GOVERNMENT PRINTING WORKS - BUSINESS RULES

### Payment of cost

31. The Request for Quotation for placement of the notice should be sent to the Gazette Contact Centre as indicated above, prior to submission of notice for advertising.

32. Payment should then be made, or Purchase Order prepared based on the received quotation, prior to the submission of the notice for advertising as these documents i.e. proof of payment or Purchase order will be required as part of the notice submission, as indicated earlier.

33. Every proof of payment must have a valid **GPW** quotation number as a reference on the proof of payment document.

34. Where there is any doubt about the cost of publication of a notice, and in the case of copy, an enquiry, accompanied by the relevant copy, should be addressed to the Gazette Contact Centre, **Government Printing Works**, Private Bag X85, Pretoria, 0001 email: info.egazette@gpw.gov.za before publication.

35. Overpayment resulting from miscalculation on the part of the advertiser of the cost of publication of a notice will not be refunded, unless the advertiser furnishes adequate reasons why such miscalculation occurred. In the event of underpayments, the difference will be recovered from the advertiser, and future notice(s) will not be published until such time as the full cost of such publication has been duly paid in cash or electronic funds transfer into the **Government Printing Works** banking account.

36. In the event of a notice being cancelled, a refund will be made only if no cost regarding the placing of the notice has been incurred by the **Government Printing Works**.

37. The **Government Printing Works** reserves the right to levy an additional charge in cases where notices, the cost of which has been calculated in accordance with the List of Fixed Tariff Rates, are subsequently found to be excessively lengthy or to contain overmuch or complicated tabulation.

### Proof of publication

38. Copies of any of the *Government Gazette* or *Provincial Gazette* can be downloaded from the **Government Printing Works** website www.gpwonline.co.za free of charge, should a proof of publication be required.

39. Printed copies may be ordered from the Publications department at the ruling price. The **Government Printing Works** will assume no liability for any failure to post or for any delay in despatching of such *Government Gazette*(s)

## GOVERNMENT PRINTING WORKS CONTACT INFORMATION

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| **Physical Address:** | **Postal Address:** | **GPW Banking Details:** |
| **Government Printing Works** | Private Bag X85 | **Bank:** ABSA Bosman Street |
| 149 Bosman Street | Pretoria | **Account No.:** 405 7114 016 |
| Pretoria | 0001 | **Branch Code:** 632-005 |

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| | **Tel:** 012-748 6200 |
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GOVERNMENT NOTICES • GOEWERMENTSKENNISGEWINGS

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**NO. R. 6973** **24 December 2025**

MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT, 1996
(ACT No 47 OF 1996)

# ESTABLISHMENT OF STATUTORY MEASURE AND DETERMINATION OF A DIFFERENTIATED LEVY ON PLANTED HECTARES FOR FUNDING OF AN INTEGRATED AREA WIDE FRUIT FLY CONTROL PROGRAMME IN SPECIFIED PRODUCTION AREAS

I, John Henry Steenhuisen, Minister of Agriculture acting under sections 13 and 15 of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act No 47 of 1996), as amended, hereby establish the statutory measure set out in the attached Schedule.

**MR J.H. STEENHUISEN, MP**
**MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE**

## SCHEDULE

**Definitions**

1. In this Schedule any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall have that meaning, and unless the context otherwise indicates –

"**Differentiated levy**" means a per hectare statutory levy applicable to planted hectares in specified production regions.

"**Planted hectares**" means the total plantings of a specific producer of agreed products benefitting from the area wide fruit fly control programme in specified production regions.

"**Producer**" means a person producing products on planted hectares in specified production regions as enacted from time to time or as otherwise agreed.

"**Specified Production Regions**" means defined areas where producers have approved the implementation of this measure on all planted hectares included in such region.

**Purpose and aims of statutory measure and the relation thereof to the objectives of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act (1996)**

2. The statutory levy is needed and applied for by the fruit industry to collect the producers' contribution to integrated area wide fruit fly control programmes in specified production regions.

The measure will not be detrimental to the number of employment opportunities or fair labour practice and will support other statutory measures applicable to the fruit industry at large.

The measure will be utilized by **FruitFly Africa (Pty) Ltd**, an industry service entity established in terms of the Companies Act, 2008 (Act 71 of 2008 as amended). FruitFly Africa will administer and spend the collected funds on behalf of the producers in the specified production regions and will account and report separately thereon.

**Products to which statutory measure applies and application of statutory measure**

3. This statutory measure shall apply to all planted hectares in the specific productions regions. As aforementioned, the measure is a statutory enactment and as such of general application to all in accordance with the terms thereof. Accordingly, for the avoidance of doubt, the selective application and/or enforcement at the preference of any person or entity subject to the statutory measure is not permissible.

**Area in which measure shall apply**

4. This measure shall apply to the specified production regions as listed in this Schedule.

**Imposition of statutory levy**

5. A differentiated levy is hereby imposed on all planted hectares in the specific production regions as listed in this Schedule.

**Amount of the levy**

6. The amount of the levy on the planted hectares in the specified production regions shall be:

6.1 In the production region generally known as the **Elgin/Grabouw** region:

- Not more than **R1,974/hectare** from the date of publication to 30 June 2026;
- Not more than **R2,112/hectare** for the 12-month period from 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027;
- Not more than **R2,260/hectare** for the 12-month period from 1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028;

6.2 In the production region generally known as the **Vyeboom (including Eerstehoop)** region:

- Not more than **R1,910/hectare** from the date of publication to 30 June 2026;
- Not more than **R2,044/hectare** for the 12-month period from 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027;
- Not more than **R2,187/hectare** for the 12-month period from 1 July 2027 to 30 June 2028;

**Persons by whom and to whom levy shall be payable**

7. (1) The levy imposed under clause 6 shall be payable by a producer or his nominee on behalf of the producer.

(2) A levy imposed under clause 6 shall be payable to FruitFly Africa in accordance with clause 8.

**Payment of a Differentiated levy**

8. (1) Payment of the levy shall be made by the producer or his nominee in the manner and according to this Schedule as agreed on an annual basis with FruitFly Africa on condition that the differentiated levy must be paid fully in any 12-month cycle.

(2) Payment shall be made by means of electronic transfer in favour of FruitFly Africa, and shall –

(a) when electronically transferred, be paid to the bank account obtainable from and designated in writing by FruitFly Africa on request. It is important to note that FruitFly Africa will never send only an e-mail advising of a change of banking details without further confirmation thereof by FruitFly Africa to the producer and supported by written proof of such changed banking details by means of a bank letter issued to FruitFly Africa. Any such electronic communication to a producer would be an attempt to defraud. If a producer or his nominee receives such electronic communication, the producer or his nominee must contact the offices of FruitFly Africa immediately to confirm the authenticity of such electronic communication and request written proof of such changed banking details by means of a bank letter issued to FruitFly Africa.

**Commencement and period of validity**

9. This statutory measure shall come into operation on the date of publication hereof and will lapse on 30 June 2028.

**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**NO. R. 6974** **24 December 2025**

**RULES BOARD FOR COURTS OF LAW ACT, 1985 (ACT NO. 107 OF 1985)**

# AMENDMENT OF RULES REGULATING THE CONDUCT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAGISTRATES' COURTS OF SOUTH AFRICA

The Rules Board for Courts of Law has, under section 6 of the Rules Board for Courts of Law Act, 1985 (Act No. 107 of 1985), and with the approval of the Minister of Justice and Constitutional Developments, made the rules in the Schedule.

## SCHEDULE

**GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:**

**[ ]** Words or expressions in bold type in square brackets indicate omissions from the existing rules.

____ Words or expressions underlined with a solid line indicate insertions into the existing rules.

**Definition**

**1.** In this Schedule "the Rules" means the Rules Regulating the Conduct of the Proceedings of the Magistrates' Courts of South Africa published under Government Notice No. R. 740 of 23 August 2010, as amended by Government Notice Nos. R. 1222 of 24 December 2010, R. 611 of 29 July 2011, R. 1085 of 30 December 2011, R. 685 of 31 August 2012, R. 115 of 15 February 2013, R. 263 of 12 April 2013, R. 760 of 11 October 2013, R. 183 of 18 March 2014, R. 215 of 28 March 2014, R. 507 of 27 June 2014, R. 571 of 18 July 2014, R. 5 of 9 January 2015, R. 32 of 23 January 2015, R. 33 of 23 January 2015, R. 318 of 17 April 2015, R. 545 of 30 June 2015, R. 2 of 19 February 2016, R. 1055 of 29 September 2017, R. 1272 of 17 November 2017, R. 632 of 22 June 2018, R. 1318 of 30 November 2018, R. 842 of 31 May 2019, R. 1343 of 18 October 2019, R. 107 of 7 February 2020, R. 858 of 7 August 2020, R. 1156 of 30 October 2020, R. 1602 of 17 December 2021, R. 2134 of 3 June 2022, R. 2298 of 22 July 2022, R. 2414 of 26 August

2022, R. 2434 of 2 September 2022, R. 3371 of 5 May 2023, R. 3399 of 12 May 2023, R. 4476 of 8 March 2024, R. 5127 of 16 August 2024, R. 5559 of 22 November 2024, R. 6231 of 30 May 2025, R. 6232 of 30 May 2025, R. 6505 of 15 August 2025, R. 6752 of 24 October 2025 and R. 6825 of 14 November 2025.

**Amendment of rule 2 of Rules**

**2.** Rule 2 of the Rules is hereby amended by the insertion before the definition of **"apply"** of the following definition:

"**'affidavit'** means a written statement made—

(a) under oath or affirmation; or

(b) by solemn or attested declaration;

contemplated in section 7 of the Justices of the Peace and Commissioners of Oaths Act, 1963 (Act No. 16 of 1963), confirming that the information within the statement is a true and accurate representation of the facts;".

**Commencement**

**3.** This Rule comes into operation on 30 January 2026.

**DEPARTEMENT VAN JUSTISIE EN STAATKUNDIGE ONTWIKKELING**

**NO. R. 6974** **24 Desember 2025**

**WET OP DIE REËLSRAAD VIR GEREGSHOWE, 1985 (WET NO. 107 VAN 1985)**

## WYSIGING VAN DIE REËLS WAARBY DIE VOER VAN DIE VERRIGTINGE VAN DIE LANDDROSHOWE VAN SUID-AFRIKA GEREËL WORD

Die Reëlsraad vir Geregshowe het kragtens artikel 6 van die Wet op die Reëlsraad vir Geregshowe, 1985 (Wet No. 107 van 1985), en met die goedkeuring van die Minister van Justisie en Staatkundige Ontwikkeling, die reëls in die Bylae gemaak.

## BYLAE

### ALGEMENE VERDUIDELIKENDE NOTA:

**[ ]** Woorde of uitdrukkings in vetdruk in vierkantige hakies dui op weglatings uit die bestaande reëls.

____ Woorde of uitdrukkings met 'n volstreep daaronder dui op invoegings in bestaande reëls.

### Woordomskrywing

**1.** In hierdie Bylae beteken "die reëls" die Reëls waarby die voer van die verrigtinge van die Landdroshowe van Suid-Afrika gereël word, gepubliseer kragtens Goewermentskennisgewing No. R. 740 van 23 Augustus 2010, soos gewysig deur Goewermentskennisgewing No's. R. 1222 van 24 Desember 2010, R. 611 van 29 Julie 2011, R. 1085 van 30 Desember 2011, R. 685 van 31 Augustus 2012, R. 115 van 15 Februarie 2013, R. 263 van 12 April 2013, R. 760 van 11 Oktober 2013, R. 183 van 18 Maart 2014, R. 215 van 28 Maart 2014, R. 507 van 27 Junie 2014, R. 571 van 18 Julie 2014, R. 5 van 9 Januarie 2015, R. 32 van 23 Januarie 2015, R. 33 van 23 Januarie 2015, R. 318 van 17 April 2015, R. 545 van 30 Junie 2015, R. 2 van 19 Februarie 2016, R. 1055 van 29 September 2017, R. 1272 van 17 November 2017, R. 632 van 22 Junie 2018, R. 1318 van 30 November 2018, R. 842 van 31 Mei 2019, R. 1343 van 18 Oktober 2019, R. 107 van 7 Februarie 2020, R. 858 van 7 Augustus 2020, R. 1156 van 30 Oktober 2020, R. 1602

van 17 Desember 2021, R. 2134 van 3 Junie 2022, R. 2298 van 22 Julie 2022, R. 2414 van 26 Augustus 2022, R. 2434 van 2 September 2022, R. 3371 van 5 Mei 2023, R. 3399 van 12 Mei 2023, R. 4476 van 8 Maart 2024, R. 5127 van 16 Augustus 2024, R. 5559 van 22 November 2024, R. 6231 van 30 Mei 2025, R. 6232 van 30 Mei 2025, R. 6505 van 15 Augustus 2025, R. 6752 van 24 Oktober 2025 en R. 6825 van 14 November 2025.

**Wysiging van reël 2 van die Reëls**

**2.** Reël 2 van die Reëls word hierby gewysig deur die volgende woordomskrywing na die woordomskrywing van "**balju**" in te voeg:

"'**beëdigde verklaring**' 'n skriftelike verklaring wat afgelê word—

(a) onder eed of bevestiging; of

(b) deur plegtige of geattesteerde verklaring;

soos beoog in artikel 7 van die Wet op Vrederegters en Kommissarisse van Ede, 1963 (Wet No. 16 van 1963), wat bevestig dat die inligting in die verklaring 'n ware en akkurate voorstelling van die feite is;"

**Inwerkingtreding**

**3.** Hierdie reël tree in werking op 30 Januarie 2026.

**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**NO. R. 6975** **24 December 2025**

# RULES BOARD FOR COURTS OF LAW ACT, 1985 (ACT NO. 107 OF 1985) AMENDMENT OF THE RULES REGULATING THE CONDUCT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PROVINCIAL AND LOCAL DIVISIONS OF THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA

The Rules Board for Courts of Law has, under section 6 of the Rules Board for Courts of Law Act, 1985 (Act No. 107 of 1985), and with the approval of the Minister for Justice and Constitutional Development, made the rules in the Schedule.

## SCHEDULE

**GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:**

**[ ]** Words or expressions in bold type in square brackets indicate omissions from the existing rules.

_____ Words or expressions underlined with a solid line indicate insertions into the existing rules.

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**Definition**

**1.** In this Schedule the “Rules" means the Rules Regulating the Conduct of the Proceedings of the Provincial and Local Divisions of the High Court of South Africa published under Government Notice No. R. 48 of 12 January 1965, as amended by Government Notice Nos. R. 235 of 18 February 1966, R. 2004 of 15 December 1967, R. 3553 of 17 October 1969, R. 2021 of 5 November 1971, R. 1985 of 3 November 1972, R. 480 of 30 March 1973, R. 639 of 4 April 1975, R. 1816 of 8 October 1976, R. 1975 of 29 October 1976, R. 2477 of 17 December 1976, R. 2365 of 18 November 1977, R. 1546 of 28 July 1978, R. 1577 of 20 July 1979, R. 1535 of 25 July 1980, R. 2527 of 5 December 1980, R. 500 of 12 March 1982, R. 773 of 23 April 1982, R. 775 of 23 April 1982, R. 1873 of 3 September 1982, R. 2171 of 6 October 1982, R. 645 of 25 March 1983, R. 841 of 22 April 1983, R. 1077 of 20 May 1983, R. 1996 of 7 September 1984, R. 2094 of 13 September 1985, R. 810 of 2 May 1986, R. 2164 of 2 October 1987, R. 2642 of 27 November 1987, R. 1421 of 15 July 1988, R. 210 of 10 February 1989, R. 608 of 31 March 1989, R. 2628 of 1 December 1989, R. 185 of 2 February 1990, R. 1929 of 10 August 1990, R. 1262 of 30 May 1991, R. 2410 of 30 September 1991, R. 2845 of 29 November 1991, R. 406 of 7 February 1992, R. 1883 of 3 July 1992, R. 109 of 22 January 1993, R. 960 of 28 May 1993, R. 974 of 1 June 1993, R. 1356 of 30 July 1993, R. 1843 of 1 October 1993, R. 2365 of 10 December 1993, R. 2529 of 31 December 1993, R. 181 of 28 January 1994, R. 411 of 11 March 1994, R. 873 of 31 May 1996, R. 1063 of 28 June 1996, R. 1557 of 20 September 1996, R. 1746 of 25 October 1996, R. 2047 of 13 December 1996, R. 417 of 14 March

1997, R. 491 of 27 March 1997, R. 700 of 16 May 1997, R. 798 of 13 June 1997, R. 1352 of 10 October 1997, R. 785 of 5 June 1998, R. 881 of 26 June 1998, R. 1024 of 7 August 1998, R. 1723 of 30 December 1998, R. 568 of 30 April 1999, R. 1084 of 10 September 1999, R. 1299 of 29 October 1999, R. 502 of 19 May 2000, R. 849 of 25 August 2000, R. 373 of 30 April 2001, R. 1088 of 26 October 2001, R. 1755 of 5 December 2003, R. 229 of 20 February 2004, R. 1343 of 12 December 2008, R. 1345 of 12 December 2008, R. 516 of 8 May 2009, R. 518 of 8 May 2009, R. 86 of 12 February 2010, R. 87 of 12 February 2010, R. 88 of 12 February 2010, R. 89 of 12 February 2010, R. 90 of 12 February 2010, R. 500 of 11 June 2010, R. 591 of 09 July 2010, R. 980 of 19 November 2010, R. 981 of 19 November 2010, R. 464 of 22 June 2012, R. 992 of 7 December 2012, R. 114 of 15 February 2013, R. 262 of 12 April 2013, R. 471 of 12 July 2013, R. 472 of 12 July 2013, R. 759 of 11 October 2013, R. 212 of 28 March 2014, R. 213 of 28 March 2014, R. 214 of 28 March 2014, R. 30 of 23 January 2015, R. 31 of 23 January 2015, R. 317 of 17 April 2015, R. 781 of 31 August 2015, R. 3 of 19 February 2016, R. 678 of 3 June 2016, R. 1055 of 29 September 2017, R. 1272 of 17 November 2017, R.1318 of 30 November 2018, R. 61 of 25 January 2019, R. 842 of 31 May 2019, R. 1343 of 18 October 2019, R. 107 of 7 February 2020, R. 858 of 7 August 2020, R. 1157 of 30 October 2020, R. 1603 of 17 December 2021, R. 2133 of 3 June 2022, R. 2413 of 26 August 2022, R. 3397 of 12 May 2023, R. 4477 of 8 March 2024, R. 5124 of 16 August 2024, R. 5560 of 22 November 2024, R. 6230 of 30 May 2025, R. 6504 of 15 August 2025 and R. 6753 of 24 October 2025.

**Amendment of rule 1 of the Rules**

**2.** Rule 1 of the Rules is hereby amended—

*(a)* by the insertion after the definition of "**combined summons**" of the following definition:

"'**conventional method**' means the method for the filing, service and lodging of hard copy court processes, pleadings, notices or other documents, the administration of court case files and the hearing of cases, in use prior to the coming into operation of the e-justice system;";

*(b)* by the substitution for the definition of "**deliver**" of the following definition:

"'**deliver**' means to serve copies on all parties and file the original with the registrar, either through the e-justice system or the conventional method and 'delivery', 'delivered' and 'delivering' have corresponding meanings;";

*(c)* by the insertion after the definition of "**deliver**" of the following definitions:

"**'document'** means any written, printed or electronic matter including pleadings, notices and data and data messages as defined in the Electronic Communications and Transactions Act, 2002 (Act No. 25 of 2002);

**'e-justice system'** means the electronic system for filing, service or lodging of documents, the administration of court case files and the adjudication of cases as provided for in these rules;

**'electronic'** means technology, which has electrical, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic or other intangible form or similar capabilities;

**'electronic communication'** means a communication by means of data or data messages as provided for in the Electronic Communications and Transactions Act, 2002 (Act No. 25 of 2002);

**'electronic mail address'** means an electronic address to or from which an e-mail, as defined in the Electronic Communications and Transactions Act, 2002 (Act No. 25 of 2002), is sent or received;

**'hard copy'** means information set forth in paper form and 'hard copies' shall have a corresponding meaning;

**'hyperlink'** has the meaning assigned to it in section 1 of the Electronic Communications and Transactions Act, 2002 (Act No. 25 of 2002) and includes a key word or reference in a text providing a link to another text;";

*(d)* by the substitution for the definition of "**party**" of the following definition:

"'**party**' or any reference to a plaintiff or other litigant **[in terms]**, includes such party's attorney with or without an advocate, as the context may require;";

*(e)* by the insertion after the definition of "**party**" of the following definitions:

"'**PDF**' means a portable document format, being a file format that preserves the exact format including the font and colour of any source document, irrespective of the application platform used;

**'registered user'** means a person or entity who has registered to use the e-justice system;";

*(f)* by the substitution for the definition of "**registrar**" of the following definition:

"'**registrar**' includes **[an assistant]** a senior or chief registrar;";

*(g)* by the insertion after the definition of **"registrar"** of the following definition:

"'**service desk**' means a service point under the control of the registrar to assist litigants as well as members of the public, to file, serve, lodge or access documents on the e-justice system;"; and

*(h)* by the addition after the definition of "**sheriff**" of the following definition:

"'**sign**' means affixing or appending a signature including an electronic signature comprising the initial or name of the person signing, in any font, style or size which is intended by the person to serve as a signature and includes an advanced electronic signature as provided for in the Electronic Communications and Transactions Act, 2002 (Act No.25 of 2002) and 'signed' has a corresponding meaning.".

**Insertion of rules 1A and 1B in the Rules**

**3.** The following rules are hereby inserted after rule 1 of the Rules:

"**Application of the e-Justice system**

**1A.** The e-justice system shall apply in those courts where it is in operation.

**E-Justice system**

**1B.** (1) The e-justice system shall apply to—

*(a)* the issue of summonses and applications;

*(b)* the service of documents subject to the provisions of subrule (17);

*(c)* the filing of documents and lodging of records;

*(d)* the hearing of cases as provided for in these rules;

*(e)* access to electronic court case files; and

*(f)* appeals and reviews.

(2) Every registered user shall—

*(a)* maintain an electronic mail address for the duration of registration on the e-justice system;

*(b)* maintain accurate contact information as required by the e-justice system for the duration of registration;

*(c)* update the e-justice system within 24 hours of any change in the information provided at registration; and

*(d)* verify document legibility and orientation before submitting the document on the e-justice system.

(3) (*a)* Every registered user agrees to receive documents from other registered users and the registrar only in respect of the matters to which the registered user is a party or is on record.

*(b)* Subject to the provisions of subrule (17), whenever a document is required to be served on a registered user, service at the electronic mail address of such registered user on the e-justice system shall be deemed to be service at such registered user's electronic mail address.

*(c)* The registrar or the court may send documents to a registered user through the e-justice system.

(4) *(a)* Only PDF format documents may be uploaded on the e-justice system.

*(b)* Documents uploaded on the e-justice system shall—

(i) be formatted in compliance with the rules governing formatting of hard copies of documents, including page limits and font style and size;

(ii) not be locked or otherwise password protected*;*

(iii) comply with the maximum file size permitted by the e-justice system; and

(iv) be of sufficient quality to ensure legibility:

Provided that any electronic document converted to PDF must be maintained in the original format until the case is considered finalised.

*(c)* Attachments and exhibits such as physical exhibits and demonstrative evidence, which cannot be filed in PDF format, shall be filed by the conventional method or be filed in a format as directed by the court.

*(d)* Where an attachment or exhibit is filed in terms of paragraph *(c)*, a document listing the attachments or exhibits must be filed on the e-justice system.

(5) Hyperlinks and other electronic navigational aids may be included in a document as an aid to the court: Provided that—

*(a)* each hyperlink contains a text reference to the source of the link;

*(b)* hyperlinks are used to provide an electronic link to other portions of the same document or other portions of the court case file;

*(c)* hyperlinks to cited authorities shall not replace the standard citation format for statutes, judgments, rules or other cited material where such standard citation is required; and

*(d)* hyperlinks in pleadings are restricted to documents filed of record.

(6) *(a)* Whenever a party is required to file a hard copy, the hard copy must be scanned, converted to PDF format and uploaded onto the e-justice system.

*(b)* A party who files a hard copy through the e-justice system must keep in his or her custody or control such hard copy and must produce that hard copy to the court, if so ordered by the court.

*(c)* The hard copy filed and kept must be available to the court for the duration of the matter in which it has been filed and must be kept until the case is considered finalised.

*(d)* The court case file shall include any hard copy submitted for filing and uploaded on the e-justice system: Provided that it shall not be necessary for such hard copy to be maintained or retained by the court.

(7) Documents larger than the maximum permitted size indicated by the e-justice system may be submitted for filing if they are divided into separate segments, each of which complies with the e-justice system size restrictions.

(8) Documents which consist of images other than text shall be scanned at a sufficient resolution to ensure a legible and accurate representation of the image.

(9) *(a)* Where parties agree on exhibits to be tendered in evidence at a trial or hearing, such exhibits shall be marked and filed on the e-justice system, except where the conventional method is required to be used.

*(b)* Exhibits tendered at trials or hearings and which can be maintained in an electronic format, shall be maintained in such format for the purposes of the court record.

(10) *(a)* Cases that commenced prior to the coming into operation of the e-justice system shall continue in the conventional method to their completion unless—

(i) the parties have agreed to use the e-justice system; or

(ii) the presiding judge directs that the e-justice system be used.

*(b)* If so agreed or directed, each party shall be responsible for the scanning of hard copy documents to PDF format and uploading thereof onto the e-justice system.

(11) *(a)* The time periods prescribed for delivery and lodging of documents by the Rules shall also apply to the e-justice system.

*(b)* Documents filed on the e-justice system after the closing time prescribed by rule 3 shall be deemed to have been filed on the next court day.

(12) If a technical problem prevents the uploading or delivery of a document on a particular day, the following rules shall apply:

*(a)* The registered user shall deliver the document using the conventional method;

*(b)* Upon the document being filed, the registrar of the court shall upload the document on the e-justice system; and

*(c)* If a document is not delivered within the time limits prescribed by the rules, the provisions of rule 27 shall apply.

(13) Subject to the provisions of subrule (12), delivery or filing shall be deemed to have taken place when the e-justice system generates a notification.

(14) *(a)* The registrar may reject any document filed if such document does not comply with rule 1B (4).

*(b)* Where a document is rejected—

(i) the registrar must within 48 hours notify the party filing the document of this fact by sending a notice which will record the rejection and the reason therefor; and

(ii) such party must within one day, resubmit the correctly formatted document:

Provided that this rule shall not vary the time limits prescribed in the Rules.

(15) All matters issued by the e-justice system may be adjudicated through the e-justice system unless a court directs otherwise.

(16) The service desk shall assist—

*(a)* by explaining how the e-justice system operates;

*(b)* with the scanning and converting of a hard copy to PDF for issuing by the registrar of the court;

*(c)* with the filing or lodging of a hard copy by scanning and converting the document to PDF and uploading the document under the respective case number;

*(d)* with the service through the e-justice system of a hard copy, excluding documents initiating process, on a registered user by scanning and converting the document to PDF and filing the document under the respective case number;

*(e)* with the registration of a litigant who applies for registration on the e-justice system;

*(f)* with requests for access to court case files, including, where requested, copies of documents, or transmission of documents to an electronic mail address or external device; and

*(g)* with any other services or assistance required relating to the e-justice system.

(17) *(a)* Where the party effecting service and the party being served are registered users, service of a document, other than service by the sheriff or as ordered by the court, shall be done through the e-justice system.

*(b)* Service of a document, other than service by the sheriff, which service is to be effected by or on a party who is not a registered user, must be done using the conventional method: Provided that proof of service must be filed with the registrar or service desk simultaneously with the original of the document so served.".

**Amendment of rule 4A of the Rules**

**4.** Rule 4A of the Rules is hereby amended—

*(a)* by the substitution for the heading of the following heading:

**"Delivery of documents [and notices]"**;

*(b)* by the substitution for subrule (1) of the following subrule:

"(1) Service of all subsequent documents **[and notices]**, not falling under rule **[4(1)(a)]** 4(1)*(a)*, in any proceedings on any other party to the litigation may be effected by one or more of the following manners to the address or addresses provided by that party under rules **[6(5)(b)]** 6(5)*(b)*, **[6(4)(d)(i)]** 6(5)*(d)*(i), 17(3), 19(3) or 34(8), by**[: -]**—

**[(a)]** *(a)* hand at the physical address for service provided**[, or]**;

**[(b)]** *(b)* registered post to the postal address provided**[,]**; or

**[(c)]** *(c)* facsimile or electronic mail to the respective addresses provided.".

*(c)* by the repeal of subrule (5).

**Amendment of rule 6 of the Rules**

**5.** Rule 6 the Rules is hereby amended by the substitution in subrule (12) for paragraph *(c)* of the following paragraph:

*"(c)* A person against whom an order was granted in such person's absence in an urgent application may by notice, set down the matter for reconsideration of the order.".

**Amendment of rule 37 of the Rules**

**6.** Rule 37 of the Rules is hereby amended by the substitution in subrule (6) for paragraph *(j)* of the following paragraph:

"*(j)* which party **[will]** shall be responsible for—

(i) the copying and other preparation of documents including a bundle for trial, where the conventional method is used; and

(ii) the preparation of documents including an electronic bundle for trial, where the e-justice system is used;".

**Amendment of rule 37A of the Rules**

**7.** Rule 37A of the Rules is hereby amended—

*(a)* by the substitution in subrule (7) for paragraph *(a)* of the following paragraph:

"*(a)* (i) of the date, time and place of a case management conference in the matter to be presided over by a case management judge; and

(ii) whether the case management conference is to be held using the conventional method or the e-justice system;";

*(b)* by the substitution in subrule (9) for paragraph *(b)* of the following paragraph:

"*(b)* A case management judge may, upon considering the statement by the parties referred to in paragraph *(a),* direct—

(i) that appearance by one or all of the parties is dispensed with; and

(ii) whether the case management conference is to be held using the conventional method or the e-justice system."; and

*(c)* by the substitution for subrule (13) of the following subrule:

"(13) The record of the case management conference, including the minutes submitted by the parties to the case management judge, any directions issued by the judge and the judge's record of the issues to be tried in the action, but excluding any settlement discussions and offers, shall be included in the court file **[to be placed before]** for the trial judge.".

**Amendment of rule 49 of the Rules**

**8.** Rule 49 of the Rules is hereby amended—

*(a)* by the substitution in subrule (1) for paragraphs *(b)* and *(e)* for the following paragraphs, respectively:

"*(b)* When leave to appeal is required and it has not been **[requested]** applied for at the time the judgment or order is given, application for such leave, stating the grounds for the application, shall be made **[and the grounds therefor shall be furnished]** within 15 days after the date of the order appealed against: Provided that–

(i) when the reasons or the full reasons for the court's order are given on a date later than the date of the order, such application may be made within 15 days after such later date**[: Provided further that]**; and

(ii) the court may, upon good cause shown, extend the aforementioned periods of 15 days.

*(e)* Such application shall be heard by the judge who presided at the trial or hearing or, if **[he]** that judge is not available, by another judge of the division of which the said judge, when **[he]** such judge so presided, was a member.";

*(b)* by the deletion of subrule (5);

*(c)* by the substitution in subrule (6) for paragraph *(a)* of the following paragraph:

"(*a)* (i) An appellant shall within 60 days after delivery of a notice of appeal, apply to the registrar of the division where the appeal is to be heard, for a date for the hearing of such appeal and shall—

*(aa)* furnish the registrar with the appellant's legal representative's physical and electronic mail addresses; or if the appellant is unrepresented, then the appellant's full residential address and an electronic mail address, if the appellant has an electronic mail address; and

*(bb)* furnish the name and address of every other party to the appeal.

(ii) Should the appellant fail to apply for a date of hearing as referred to in subparagraph *(i)*, a respondent may within 10 days after the expiry of the said period of 60 days apply for the set down of the appeal or any cross-appeal which such respondent may have noted.

(iii) If no application for a date of set-down is made by either party, the appeal and any cross-appeal shall be deemed to have lapsed and either party may apply to the court for an order confirming the lapsing of the appeal: Provided that the respondent shall have the right to apply for an order for any wasted costs.";

*(d)* by the substitution in subrule (7) for paragraphs *(a)* and *(b)* of the following paragraphs:

"*(a)* (i) Simultaneously with the application for a date for the hearing of an appeal in terms of subrule (6)*(a)*, the appellant shall deliver a copy of the record on appeal: Provided that where the e-justice system is not operational in the division where the appeal is to be heard, the appellant shall file with the registrar three copies of the record on appeal and furnish two copies to the respondent.

(ii) The appellant shall in addition deliver a complete index and copies of all papers, documents and exhibits in the case, except formal and immaterial documents: Provided that such omissions shall be referred to in the said index.

*(b)* The registrar of the court that is to hear the appeal or any cross-appeal shall thereupon assign a date for the hearing of the appeal or for any application for condonation and the appeal, as the case may be, and shall set the application for condonation and appeal down for hearing on the said date and shall give the parties at least 20 days' notice of the date so assigned.";

*(e)* by the deletion in subrule (7) of paragraphs *(c)* and *(d)*;

*(f)* by the substitution for subrules (8), (9) and (10) of the following subrules:

"(8) The record on appeal in subrule (7)*(a)*(i) shall be clearly typed in double spacing, the pages thereof shall be consecutively numbered and every tenth line on each page shall be numbered.

(9) *(a)* By **[consent of]** agreement between the parties, exhibits and annexures having no bearing on the point at issue in the appeal and immaterial portions of lengthy documents, may be omitted.

*(b)* Such **[consent]** agreement, setting out what documents or parts thereof have been omitted, shall be signed by the parties and shall be included in the record on appeal**[.]**: Provided that **[T]**the court hearing the appeal may order that the whole of the record be **[placed before it]** made available.

(10) When the decision of an appeal turns exclusively on a point of law, the parties may agree to submit such appeal to the court in the form of a special case, in which event, **[copies shall be submitted**

**of]** only such portions of the record as may be necessary for a proper decision of the appeal shall be delivered: Provided that the court hearing the appeal may **[require]** order that the whole of the record of the case be **[placed before it]** made available.";

*(g)* by the deletion of subrule (12);

*(h)* by the substitution in subrule (13) for paragraph *(a)* of the following paragraph:

"*(a)* Unless the respondent waives his or her right to security or the court in granting leave to appeal or subsequently on application to it, has released the appellant wholly or partially from that obligation, the appellant shall, before lodging **[copies of]** the record on appeal with the registrar, enter into good and sufficient security for the respondent's costs of appeal.".

*(i)* by the deletion of subrule (14);

*(j)* by the substitution for subrule (15) of the following subrule:

"(15) Not later than 15 days before the appeal is heard the appellant shall deliver a concise and succinct statement of the main points, **[(]**without elaboration**[)]**, which **[he]** the applicant intends to argue on appeal, as well as, a list of the authorities to be tendered in support of each point, and not later than 10 days before the appeal is heard, the respondent shall deliver a similar statement**[.]**: Provided that where the e-justice system is not operational **[T]**three additional copies shall in each case be filed with the registrar.".

**Amendment of rule 49A of the Rules**

**9.** Rule 49A of the Rules is hereby amended—

*(a)* by the substitution in subrule (1) for paragraphs *(a)* and *(b)* of the following paragraphs:

"*(a)* Within 10 days of leave to appeal being granted in terms of sections 316 up to and including 319 of the Criminal Procedure Act 51 of 1977—

**[, the appellant shall deliver to the registrar and the director of public prosecutions concerned, a notice containing the full residential and**

**postal address of the appellant and the address of his or her legal representative.]**

(i) the appellant's legal representative shall electronically forward to the registrar and the director of public prosecutions concerned, a notice containing the physical and electronic mail address of such legal representative; or

(ii) if the appellant is not legally represented then the appellant himself or herself shall electronically forward or serve on the registrar or director of public prosecutions, a notice containing the full residential and postal address of the appellant and an electronic mail address, if the appellant has an electronic mail address.

*(b)* In the case of an appeal to the full court in terms of section 315(3) of the Criminal Procedure Act 51 of 1977, the registrar shall, subject to the provisions of section 316(5)*(b)* of the said Act, prepare an electronic copy of the case record or parts thereof, as the case may be, and shall furnish the State with a copy and, on payment of the prescribed fee by the appellant or the appellant's legal representative, furnish the appellant or legal representative the electronic copy of the record: Provided that if the registrar is of the opinion that the appellant is unable to pay the prescribed fee, the record may be furnished without payment of any fee.";

*(b)* by the deletion in subrule (1) of paragraph *(c)*;

*(c)* by the substitution in subrule (2) for paragraph *(c)* of the following paragraph:

*"(c)* In each case, **[four copies of the]** written argument shall simultaneously be filed with the registrar: Provided that where the e-justice system is not operational, four copies of the written argument shall be filed."; and

*(d)* by the substitution for subrule (4) of the following subrule:

"(4) The ultimate responsibility for ensuring that **[all copies of]** the record on appeal and all the necessary exhibits are in all respects properly before the court shall rest on the **[appellant or his or her attorney]** appellant's legal representative: Provided that where the appellant is not legally represented **[by an attorney]**, such responsibility shall rest on the director of public prosecutions.".

**Amendment of rule 50 of the Rules**

**10.** Rule 50 of the Rules is hereby amended—

*(a)* by the substitution for subrule (4) of the following subrule:

"(4) *(a)* The appellant or such appellant's legal representative shall, within 40 days of noting the appeal, apply to the registrar in writing for the assignment of a date for the hearing of the appeal and shall simultaneously—

(i) give notice of the application to all other parties; and

(ii) if the appellant is legally represented, such legal representative shall inform the registrar in writing of the legal representative's physical and electronic mail addresses; or

(iii) if the appellant is not legally represented the appellant shall inform the registrar of his or her full residential and postal addresses and an electronic mail address if the appellant has electronic mail.

*(b)* In the absence of such an application by the appellant, the respondent or the respondent's legal representative, may at any time before the expiry of the period of 60 days referred to in subrule (1), apply for a date of hearing in like manner.

*(c)* Upon receipt of such an application **[from]** by or on behalf of the appellant or respondent, the appeal shall be deemed to have been duly prosecuted.";

*(b)* by the substitution in subrule (7) for paragraphs *(a)*, *(b)* and *(c)* of the following paragraphs:

"*(a)* The applicant shall simultaneously with the application for a date for the hearing of the appeal referred to in subrule (4) file with the registrar and serve on all other parties a copy of the record certified in terms of paragraph *(c)*: Provided that where the e-justice system is not operational, the applicant shall file with the registrar two copies of the record and shall upon request by the registrar file as many additional copies as are required where the appeal is to be heard by more than two judges.

*(b)* The record shall be clearly typed in double spacing, the pages shall be consecutively numbered and every tenth line on each page shall be numbered.

*(c)* The record shall contain a correct and complete copy of the pleadings, evidence and all documents necessary for the hearing of the appeal, together with an index thereof, and shall be certified as correct by the legal practitioner or party filing the record or by the person who prepared the record.";

*(c)* by the deletion in subrule (7) of paragraph *(d)*;

*(d)* by the substitution in subrule (8) for paragraph *(a)* of the following paragraph:

"*(a)* Save **[in so far]** insofar as these affect the merits of an appeal, subpoenas, notices of trial, consents to postponements, schedules of documents, notices to produce or inspect, and other documents of a formal nature shall be omitted from **[the copies of]** the record prepared in terms of **[the aforegoing sub-rule.]** subrule (7): **[A]** Provided that a list **[thereof]** of the documents omitted shall be included in the record."; and

*(e)* by the substitution for subrule (9) of the following subrule:

"(9) *(a)* Not less than 15 days before the appeal is heard the appellant shall deliver a concise and succinct statement of the main points, without elaboration, which the appellant intends to argue on appeal, as well as a list of the authorities to be tendered in support of each point.

*(b)* Not less than 10 days before the appeal is heard the respondent shall deliver a similar statement.".

**Amendment of rule 51 of the Rules**

**11.** Rule 51 of the Rules is hereby amended—

*(a)* by the substitution for subrule (2) of the following subrule:

"(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any rule contained, a notice may be served on an appellant or his or her legal representative—

*(a)* through the e-justice system where operational if the appellant's legal representative or the appellant has access to the e-justice system;

*(b)* through an e-mail if the appellant or his or her legal representative has provided an electronic mail address;

*(c)* by the sheriff or any person authorised to serve on behalf of the State, at an address on the notice of appeal or which the appellant or his or her legal representative has subsequently furnished to the registrar; or

*(d)* except when no other means is available, then by registered post to an address referred to in paragraph *(c)*.";

*(b)* by the substitution in subrule (5) for subparagraph *(b)*(ii) of the following subparagraph:

"(ii) be sent using the e-justice system where operational or to an electronic mail address, whichever is applicable:

Provided that where the appellant is incarcerated, it shall be served upon the head of the correctional centre who shall hand a hard copy of the notice to the appellant.".

**Amendment of rule 52 of the Rules**

**12.** Rule 52 of the Rules is hereby amended—

*(a)* by the substitution in subrule (1) for paragraph *(c)* of the following paragraph:

"**[(c)]** *(c)* a court has reserved a question of law arising on the trial of an appellant in terms of section 319 of the said Act—

(i) the registrar of the court which tried the appellant shall lodge with the registrar of the Supreme Court of Appeal **[six copies]** a copy of the record (**[one of]** which shall be certified by the first-named registrar) of the proceedings in the trial court and deliver **[such number of copies]** one copy to the State **[as may be considered necessary]**: Provided that instead of the whole record, with the consent of the appellant and the State, **[copies]** a copy (**[one of]** which shall be certified by the first-named registrar) may be

transmitted of such parts of the record as may be agreed upon by the appellant and the State to be sufficient, in which event the Supreme Court of Appeal may nevertheless call for **[copies]** a copy of the whole record;

(ii) the appellant may, on payment of the prescribed fees, obtain from the registrar of the court which tried the appellant **[such number of copies of the record or parts of the record (as the case may be) as may be necessary for his or her purpose]**, an electronic copy: Provided that if the appellant is unable **[by reason of poverty]** to pay the prescribed fees the appellant shall be entitled to obtain the same without payment of any fees.

(iii) if the appellant is incarcerated, a hard copy of the record shall be served on the head of the correctional facility who shall hand it to the appellant.".

**Amendment of rule 53 of the Rules**

**13.** Rule 53 of the Rules is hereby amended—

*(a)* by the substitution in subrule (1) for the words preceding paragraph *(a)* of the following words:

"(1) Save where any law otherwise provides, all proceedings to bring under review the decision or proceedings of any **[inferior]** lower court and of any tribunal, board or officer performing judicial, quasi-judicial or administrative functions shall be by way of notice of motion directed and **[delivered]** served by the party seeking to review such decision or proceedings **[to]** on the magistrate, presiding officer or chairperson of the court, tribunal or board or to the officer, as the case may be, and **[to]** on all other parties affected**[-]**—".

*(b)* by the substitution in subrule (1) for paragraph *(b)* of the following paragraph:

"*(b)* calling upon the magistrate, presiding officer, chairperson or officer, as the case may be, to **[despatch]** send, within 15 days after receipt of the notice of motion, to the registrar the record of such proceedings sought to be corrected or set aside, together with such reasons as the magistrate, presiding officer, chairperson or officer, as the case may be is by law

required or desires to give or make, and to notify the applicant that such magistrate, presiding officer, chairperson or officer, as the case may be has done so.".

*(c)* by the substitution for subrule (3) of the following subrule:

"**[(3) The registrar shall make available to the applicant the record despatched as aforesaid upon such terms as the registrar thinks appropriate to ensure its safety, and the applicant shall thereupon cause copies of such portions of the record as may be necessary for the purposes of the review to be made and shall furnish the registrar with two copies and each of the other parties with one copy thereof, in each case certified by the applicant as true copies. The costs of transcription, if any, shall be borne by the applicant and shall be costs in the cause.]**

(3) *(a)* The registrar shall make available to the applicant a copy of the record sent to him or her referred to in subrule (1)*(b)*, in the following manner—

(i) through the e-justice system where operational, if the applicant or his or her legal representative has access to the e-justice system;

(ii) to the applicant's or his or her legal representative's electronic mail address, if the applicant or his or her legal representative does not have access to the e-justice system but has chosen an electronic mail address for service; or

(iii) a hard copy, upon payment of the prescribed copy charge.

*(b)* The applicant shall thereupon furnish the registrar with a copy of such portions of the record as may be necessary for the purposes of the review, through the e-justice system where operational, by electronic mail or by lodging a hard copy with the registrar.

*(c)* The costs of transcription, if any, shall be borne by the applicant and shall be costs in the cause.".

**Amendment of rule 62**

**14.** Rule 62 of the Rules is hereby amended—

*(a)* by the substitution for subrules (1), (2), (5) and (7) of the following subrules, respectively:

"(1) Where a matter has to be heard by more than one judge, the registrar shall supply a copy of all pleadings, important notices, annexures, affidavits and the like **[shall be filed]** for the use of each additional judge.

(2) All documents filed **[with]** at the court, using either the e-justice system or the conventional method, other than exhibits or facsimiles thereof, shall be **[clearly]** clear and **[legibly]** legible and if printed **[or typewritten]**, shall be in **[permanent]** black **[or blue-black]** ink on one side only of paper of good quality and of A4 standard size**. [A document shall be deemed to be type-written if it is reproduced clearly and legibly on suitable paper by a duplicating, lithographic, photographic or any other method of reproduction.]**".

(5) Every affidavit filed with the registrar by or on behalf of a respondent shall, if such respondent is represented, on the first page thereof bear the name and electronic mail address of the **[attorney]** legal representative filing it.

**"[(7) Any party to a cause, and any person having a personal interest therein, with leave of the registrar on good cause shown, may at the registrar's office, examine and make copies of all documents in such cause.]**

(7) Any person may examine and obtain copies of all documents in a court file—

*(a)* If printed, at the office of the registrar and upon payment of the prescribed fees;

*(b)* through the e-justice system where operational; or

*(c)* electronically at an electronic mail address."; and

*(b)* by the addition of subrules (8) and (9):

*"(*8) Documents for inclusion in an electronic bundle for trial shall—

*(a)* if in hard copy, be scanned and converted to PDF format and if electronic, be converted to PDF format;

*(b)* if a document is not able to be converted to PDF format, be converted to a suitable format by agreement between the parties to facilitate the inclusion of the document in a bundle for trial:

Provided that any document so converted shall be maintained in the original format and be available for production.;

(9) Parties who do not have access to the e-justice system shall be assisted by the service desk to comply with the provisions of subrule (8)*(a)*.".

**Commencement**

**15.** These Rules come into operation on 30 January 2026.

**DEPARTEMENT VAN JUSTISIE EN STAATKUNDIGE ONTWIKKELING**

**NO. R. 6975** **24 Desember 2025**

# WET OP DIE REËLSRAAD VIR GEREGSHOWE, 1985 (WET NO. 107 VAN 1985) WYSIGING VAN DIE REËLS WAARBY DIE VOER VAN DIE VERRIGTINGE VAN DIE PROVINSIALE EN PLAASLIKE AFDELINGS VAN DIE HOOGGEREGSHOF VAN SUID-AFRIKA GEREËL WORD

Die Reëlsraad vir Geregshowe het kragtens artikel 6 van die Wet op die Reëlsraad vir Geregshowe, 1985 (Wet No. 107 van 1985), en met die goedkeuring van die Minister van Justisie en Staatkundige Ontwikkeling, die reëls in die Bylae gemaak.

## BYLAE

**ALGEMENE VERDUIDELIKENDE NOTA:**

**[ ]** Woorde of uitdrukkings in vetdruk in vierkantige hakies dui op weglatings uit die bestaande reëls.

_____ Woorde of uitdrukkings met 'n volstreep daaronder dui op invoegings in die bestaande reëls.

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**Woordomskrywing**

**1.** In hierdie Bylae beteken die "reëls", die Reëls waarby die verrigtinge van die verskillende Provinsiale en Plaaslike Afdelings van die Hoë Hof van Suid-Afrika gereël word soos gepubliseer in Goewermentskennisgewing No. R. 48 van 12 Januarie 1965 en soos gewysig deur Goewermentskennisgewings No's. R. 235 van 18 Februarie 1966, R. 2004 van 15 Desember 1967, R. 3553 van 17 Oktober 1969, R. 2021 van 5 November 1971, R. 1985 van 3 November 1972, R. 480 van 30 Maart 1973, R. 639 van 4 April 1975, R. 1816 van 8 Oktober 1976, R. 1975 van 29 Oktober 1976, R. 2477 van 17 Desember 1976, R. 2365 van 18 November 1977, R. 1546 van 28 Julie 1978, R. 1577 van 20 Julie 1979, R. 1535 van 25 Julie 1980, R. 2527 van 5 Desember 1980, R. 500 van 12 Maart 1982, R. 773 van 23 April 1982, R. 775 van 23 April 1982, R. 1873 van 3 September 1982, R. 2171 van 6 Oktober 1982, R. 645 van 25 Maart 1983, R. 841 van 22 April 1983, R. 1077 van 20 Mei 1983, R. 1996 van 7 September 1984, R. 2094 van 13 September 1985, R. 810 van 2 Mei 1986, R. 2164 van 2 Oktober 1987, R. 2642 van 27 November 1987, R. 1421 van 15 Julie 1988, R. 210 van 10 Februarie 1989, R. 608 van 31 Maart 1989, R. 2628 van 1 Desember 1989, R. 185 van 2 Februarie 1990, R. 1929 van 10 Augustus 1990, R. 1262 van 30 Mei 1991, R. 2410 van 30 September 1991, R. 2845 van 29 November 1991, R. 406 van 7 Februarie 1992, R. 1883 van 3 Julie 1992, R. 109 van 22 Januarie 1993, R. 960 van 28 Mei 1993, R. 974 van 1 Junie 1993, R. 1356 van 30 Julie 1993, R. 1843 van 1 Oktober 1993, R. 2365 van 10 Desember 1993, R. 2529 van 31 Desember 1993, R. 181 van 28 Januarie 1994, R. 411 van 11 Maart 1994, R. 873 van 31 Mei 1996, R. 1063 van

28 Junie 1996, R. 1557 van 20 September 1996, R. 1746 van 25 Oktober 1996, R. 2047 van 13 Desember 1996, R. 417 van 14 Maart 1997, R. 491 van 27 Maart 1997, R. 700 van 16 Mei 1997, R. 798 van 13 Junie 1997, R. 1352 van 10 Oktober 1997, R. 785 van 5 Junie 1998, R. 881 van 26 Junie 1998, R. 1024 van 7 Augustus 1998, R 1723 van 30 Desember 1998, R. 315 van 12 Maart 1999, R. 568 van 30 April 1999, R. 1084 van 10 September 1999, R. 1299 van 29 Oktober 1999, R. 502 van 19 Mei 2000, R. 849 van 25 Augustus 2000, R. 373 van 30 April 2001, R. 1088 van 26 Oktober 2001, R. 1755 van 5 Desember 2003, R. 229 van 20 Februarie 2004, R. 1343 van 12 Desember 2008, R. 1345 van 12 Desember 2008, R. 516 van 8 Mei 2009, R. 518 van 8 Mei 2009, R 86 van 12 Februarie 2010, R 87 van 12 Februarie 2010, R 88 van 12 Februarie 2010, R 89 van 12 Februarie 2010, R. 90 van 12 Februarie 2010, R. 500 van 11 Junie 2010, R. 591 van 09 Julie 2010, R. 980 van 19 November 2010, R. 981 van 19 November 2010, R. 464 van 22 Junie 2012, R. 992 van 7 Desember 2012, R 114 van 15 Februarie 2013, R. 262 van 12 April 2013, R. 471 van 12 Julie 2013, R. 472 van 12 Julie 2013, R. 759 van 11 Oktober 2013, R. 212 van 28 Maart 2014, R. 213 van 28 Maart 2014, R. 214 van 28 Maart 2014, R. 30 van 23 Januarie 2015, R. 31 van 23 Januarie 2015, R. 317 van 17 April 2015, R. 781 van 31 Augustus 2015, R. 3 van 19 Februarie 2016, R. 678 van 3 Junie 2016, R. 1055 van 29 September 2017, R. 1272 van 17 November 2017, R. 1318 van 30 November 2018, R. 61 van 25 Januarie 2019, R. 842 van 31 Mei 2019, R. 1343 van 18 Oktober 2019, R.107 van 7 Februarie 2020, R.1157 van 30 Oktober 2020, R1603 van 17 Desember 2021, R. 2133 van 3 Junie 2022, R. 2413 van 26 Augustus 2022, R. 3397 van 12 Mei 2023, R. 4477 van 8 Maart 2024, R. 5124 van 16 Augustus 2024, R. 5560 van 22 November 2024, R. 6230 van 30 Mei 2025, R. 6504 van 15 Augustus 2025 en R. 6753 van 24 Oktober 2025.

**Wysiging van reël 1 van die Reëls**

**2.** Reël 1 van die Reëls word hierby gewysig—

*(a)* deur die omskrywing van "**aflewer**" deur die volgende omskrywing te vervang:

"**'aflewer'** die betekening van afskrifte aan alle partye en die indiening van die oorspronklike by die griffier, óf deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel of die konvensionele metorde en 'aflewering' en 'afgelewer' het ooreenstemmende betekenisse;";

*(b)* deur die volgende omskrywings na die omskrywing van "**balju**" in te voeg:

"'**dienstoonbank**' 'n dienspunt onder beheer van die griffier om gedingvoerders asook lede van die publiek, by te staan om stukke op die e-geregtigheidstelsel in te dien, te beteken of in te lewer of toegang daartoe te kry;";

***'e-geregtigheidstelsel'*** die elektroniese stelsel vir indiening, betokening of inlewering van stukke, die administrasie van hofsaaklêers en die beregtiging van sake soos in hierdie reëls bepaal;

***'elektronies'*** tegnologie, wat elektriese digitale, magnetiese, draadlose, optiese, elektromagnetiese of ander ontasbare vorme of soortgelyke vermoëns het;

***'elektroniese kommunikasie'*** 'n kommunikasie by wyse van data of databoodskappe soos in die Wet op Elektroniese Kommunikasies en Transaksies, 2002 (Wet No. 25 van 2002), bepaal;

***'elektroniese e-posadres'*** enige elektroniese adres waarheen of van waar 'n e-pos, soos in die Wet op Elektroniese Kommunikasies en Transaksies, 2002 (Wet No. 25 van 2002), omskryf, gestuur of ontvang word;";

*(c)* deur die volgende omskrywing na die omskrywing van "**gekombineerde dagvaarding**" in te voeg:

" ***'geregistreerde gebruiker'*** 'n persoon of entiteit wat geregistreer is om die e-geregtigheidstelsel te gebruik;";

*(d)* deur die omskrywing van "**griffier**" deur die volgende omskrywing te vervang:

"'**griffier**' ook 'n **[assistent-griffier]** senior of hoof-griffier;";

*(e)* deur die volgende omskrywing na die omskrywing van "**griffier**" in te voeg:

" ***'harde kopie'*** inligting uiteengesit op papier en 'harde kopieë' het 'n ooreenstemmende betekenis;

***'hiperskakel'*** dit wat in artikel 1 van die Wet op Elektroniese Kommunikasies en Transaksies, 2002 (Wet No. 25 van 2002), daaraan toegeskryf is en ook 'n sleutelwoord of verwysing in 'n teks wat 'n skakel na 'n ander teks voorsien;";

*(f)* deur die volgende omskrywing na die omskrywing van "**hofdag**" in te voeg:

"'**konvensionele metode**' die metode vir die indiening, betekening en inlewering van harde kopieë van hofstukke, pleitstukke, kennisgewings

of ander stukke, die administrasie van hofsaaklêers en die aanhoor van sake, in gebruik voor die inwerkingtreding van die e-geregtigheidstelsel;";

*(g)* deur die volgende omskrywing na die omskrywing van "***mutatis mutandis***" in te voeg:

"'**onderteken**' om 'n handtekening, ook 'n elektroniese handtekening, bestaande uit die voorletter of naam van die persoon wat onderteken, in enige font, styl of grootte te maak of aan te heg wat deur die persoon bedoel word om te dien as 'n hantekening en ook 'n gevorderde elektroniese handtekening soos in die Wet op Elektroniese Kommunikasies en Transaskies, 2002 (Wet No. 25 van 2002), bedoel en 'het onderteken' het 'n ooreenstemmende betekenis.";

*(h)* deur in die Engelse teks die omskrywing van "**party**" deur die volgende omskrywing te vervang:

"'**party**' or any reference to a plaintiff or other litigant **[in terms]**, includes such party's attorney with or without an advocate, as the context may require;";

*(i)* deur die volgende omskrywings na die omskrywing van "**party**" in te voeg:

"'**PDF**' 'n draagbare dokumentformaat, naamlik 'n lêerformaat wat die presiese formaat preserveer, met inbegrip van die font en kleur van enige brondokument, ongeag die toepassingsplatform wat gebruik is;"; en

*(j)* deur die volgende omskrywing na die omskrywing van "**regter**" in te voeg:

"'**stuk**' enige geskrewe, gedrukte of elektroniese aangeleentheid, met inbegrip van pleitstukke, kennisgewings en data en databoodskappe soos in die Wet op Elektroniese Kommunikasies en Transaksies, 2002 (Wet No. 25 van 2002);".

**Invoeging van reëls 1A en 1B in die Reëls**

**3.** Die volgende reëls word hierby na reël 1 in die Reëls ingevoeg:

"**Toepassing van die e-geregtigheidstelsel**

**1A.** Die e-geregtigheidstelsel is van toepassing in daardie howe waar dit in werking is.

**E-geregtigheidstelsel**

**1B.** (1) Die e-geregtigheidstelsel is van toepassing op—

*(a)* die uitreiking van dagvaardings en aansoeke;

*(b)* die betekening van dokumente onderhewig aan die bepalings van subreël (17);

*(c)* die indiening van stukke en inlewering van oorkondes;

*(d)* die aanhoor van sake soos in hierdie reëls voor voorsiening gemaak;

*(e)* toegang tot elektroniese lêers van hofsake; en

*(f)* appelle en hersienings.

(2) Elke geregistreerde gebruiker moet —

*(a)* 'n elektroniese e-posadres vir die duur van registrasie op die e-geregtigheidstelsel onderhou;

*(b)* akkurate kontakbesonderhede onderhou soos deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel vereis vir die duur van registrasie;

*(c)* die e-registrasiestelsel bywerk binne 24-uur sedert enige verandering in die inligting wat met registrasie verstrek is; en

*(d)* seker maak dat stukke leesbaar en korrek georiënteer is voordat die stuk op die e-geregtigheidstelsel vasgelê word.

(3) (*a*) Elke geregistreerde gebruiker stem in om stukke van ander geregistreerde gebruikers en die griffier te ontvang, slegs ten opsigte van die aangeleenthede waartoe die geregistreerde gebruiker 'n party is of op rekord is.

*(b)* Onderhewig aan die bepalings van subreël (17), wanneer 'n stuk ookal aan 'n geregistreerde gebruiker beteken moet word, word betekening by die elektroniese posadres van sodanige geregistreerde gebruiker op die e-geregtigheidstelsel, geag betekening by sodanige geregistreerde gebruiker se elektroniese posadres te wees.

*(c)* Die griffier van die hof kan deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel stukke na 'n geregistreerde gebruiker stuur.

(4) *(a)* Slegs stukke in PDF-formaat mag op die e-geregtigheidstelsel opgelaai word.

*(b)* Stukke wat op die e-geregtigheidstelsel opgelaai word,—

(i) moet geformatteer wees ooreenkomstig die reëls wat die formattering van harde kopieë van stukke reël, met inbegrip van bladsybeperkings en fontstyl en -grootte;

(ii) moet nie gesluit of andersins deur ’n sleutelwoord beskerm wees nie;

(iii) moet aan die maksimum grootte vir lêers voldoen wat deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel toegelaat word; en

(iv) moet leesbaar wees:

Met dien verstande dat enige elektroniese stuk wat na PDF omgeskakel word, in die oorspronklike formaat behou word totdat die saak as afgehandel beskou word.

*(c)* Aanhangsels en bewyse soos fisieke bewyse en demonstratiewe bewysstukke, wat nie in PDF-formaat geliasseer kan word nie, moet deur die konvensionele metode geliasseer word of moet in ’n formaat geliasseer word soos die hof gelas.

*(d)* Waar ’n aanhangsel of bewysstuk ingevolge paragraaf *(c)* geliasseer word, moet ’n stuk waarin die aanhangsels vermeld word, op die e-geregtigheidstelsel vasgelê word.

(5) Hiperskakels en ander elektroniese navigasiehulpmiddels, kan in ’n stuk ingesluit word as ’n hulpmiddel vir die hof: Met dien verstande dat—

*(a)* elke hiperskakel ’n teksverwysing na die bron van die skakel bevat;

*(b)* hiperskakels gebruik word om ’n elektroniese skakel na ander dele van dieselfde stuk of ander dele van die hofsaaklêer te voorsien;

*(c)* hiperskakels na aangehaalde gesagte, vervang nie die standaard aanhalingsformaat vir statute, uitsprake, reëls of ander aangehaalde materiaal waar sodanige standaard aanhaling vereis word nie; en

*(d)* hiperskakels in pleitstukke is beperk tot stukke wat by die stukke ingedien is.

(6) *(a)* Wanneer ’n party ook al ’n harde kopie moet indien, moet die harde kopie geskandeer, na PDF omgeskakel en op die e-geregtigheidstelsel gelaai word.

*(b)* 'n Party wat 'n harde kopie deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel indien, moet sodanige harde kopie in sy of haar bewaring of beheer hou en moet daardie harde kopie aan die hof voorlê, indien die hof dit gelas.

*(c)* Die harde kopie wat ingedien en gehou is, moet aan die hof beskikbaar wees vir die duur van die aangeleentheid waarin dit ingedien is en moet gehou word totdat die saak as afgehandel beskou word.

*(d)* Die hofsaaklêer moet enige harde kopie insluit wat ingedien is en op die e-geregtigheidstelsel opgelaai is: Met dien verstande dat dit nie nodig sal wees vir sodanige harde kopie om deur die hof bygehou en gehou te word nie.

(7) Stukke wat groter is as die maksimum toegelate grootte deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel aangedui, kan ingedien word as dit in onderskeie dele verdeel is, wat elk voldoen aan die e-geregtigheidstelsel se grootte beperkings.

(8) Stukke wat bestaan uit beelde anders as teks, moet geskandeer word teen 'n voldoende beeldskerpte om te verseker dat die beeld leesbaar en akkuraat uitkom.

(9) *(a)* Waar partye ooreenkom oor bewysstukke wat in getuienis by 'n verhoor aangebied gaan word, moet sodanige bewysstukke gemerk en op die e-geregtigheidstelsel ingedien word, behalwe waar die konvensionele metode gebruik moet word.

*(b)* Bewysstukke wat by verhore aangebied word, wat in 'n elektroniese formaat gehou kan word, moet in daardie formaat gehou word vir die doeleindes van die hofoorkonde.

(10) *(a)* Sake wat voor die inwerkingtreding van die e-geregtigheidstelsel begin het, gaan met die konvensionele metode voor todat dit afgehandel is, tensy—

(i) die partye ooreengekom het om die e-geregtigheidstelsel te gebruik; of

(ii) die voorsittende regter gelas dat die e-geregtigheidstelsel gebruik moet word.

*(b)* Indien aldus ooreengekom of gelas, is elke party verantwoordelik vir die skandering van hardekopiestukke in PDF-formaat sodat dit op die e-geregtigheidstelsel gelaai kan word.

(11) *(a)* Die tydperke wat deur die Reëls vir aflewering en inlewering van stukke voorgeskryf word, is ook op die e-geregtigheidstelsel van toepassing.

*(b)* Stukke wat op die e-geregtigheidstelsel ingedien is na afloop van die tyd deur reël 3 voorgeskryf, word geag op die volgende hofdag ingedien te wees.

(12) Indien 'n tegniese probleem voorkom dat 'n stuk op 'n bepaalde dag opgelaai of afgelewer word, is die volgende reëls van toepassing:

*(a)* Die geregistreerde gebruiker moet die stuk volgens die konvensionele metode aflewer;

*(b)* By die indiening van die stuk, moet die griffier van die hof die stuk op die e-geregtigheidstelsel oplaai; en

*(c)* As 'n stuk nie afgelewer word binne die tydbeperkings deur die reëls voorgeskryf nie, is die bepalings van reël 27 van toepassing.

(13) Behoudens die bepalings van subreël (12), word aflewering of indiening geag plaasgevind het wanneer die e-geregtigheidstesel 'n kennisgewing genereer.

(14) *(a)* Die griffier kan enige ingediende stuk van die hand wys indien sodangie stuk nie aan reël 1B(4) voldoen nie.

*(b)* Waar 'n stuk van die hand gewys word—

(i) moet die griffier, binne 48 uur, die party wat die stuk indien, daarvan in kennis stel deur 'n kennisgewing te stuur wat die verwerping en die rede daarvoor sal aanteken; en

(ii) moet sodanige party, binne een dag, die stuk in die korrekte formaat hervoorlê:

Met dien verstande dat hierdie reël nie die tydsbeperkings in die Reëls voorgeskryf, sal verander nie.

(15) Alle aangeleenthede deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel uitgereik, kan deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel bereg word, tensy 'n hof anders gelas.

(16) Die dienstoonbank lewer bystand—

*(a)* deur te verduidelik hoe die e-geregtigheidstelsel werk;

*(b)* met die skandering en omskakeling van 'n harde kopie na PDF vir uitreiking deur die griffier van die hof;

*(c)* met die indiening of inlewering van ’n harde kopie deur die stuk te skandeer en na PDF om te skakel end dit onder die tersaaklike saaknommer op te laai;

*(d)* met die betekening deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel van ’n harde kopie, met uitsondering van stukke wat die proses begin, aan ’n geregistreerde gebruiker deur die stuk te skandeer en na PDF om te skakel en die stuk onder die tersaaklike saaknommer op te laai;

*(e)* met die registrasie van ’n gedingvoerder wat om registrasie op die e-geregtigheidstelsel aansoek doen;

*(f)* met versoeke om toegang tot hofsaaklêers, met inbegrip van, waar versoek, afskrifte van stukke, of oordrag van stukke na ’n elektroniese posadres of eksterne toestel; en

*(g)* met enige ander dienste of bystand wat benodig word wat met die e-geregtigheidstelsel verband hou.

(17) *(a)* Waar die party wat die betekening doen en die party wat beteken word, geregistreerde gebruikers is, word betekening deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel gedoen, behalwe betekening deur die balju of soos deur die hof gelas.

*(b)* Betekening van ’n stuk, behalwe betekening deur die balju, welke betekening deur of aan ’n party wat nie ’n geregistreerde gebruiker is nie, moet met die konvensionele metode gedoen word: Met dien verstande dat bewys van betekening by die griffier of hulptoonbank ingedien moet word terselfdertyd as die stuk wat aldus beteken word.”.

**Wysiging van reël 4A van die Reëls**

**4.** Reël 4A van die Reëls word hierby gewysig—

*(a)* deur die opskrif deur die volgende opskrif te vervang:

“**Betekening van dokumente en [kennisgewings]**”;

*(b)* deur subreël (1) deur die volgende subreël te vervang:

“(1) Betekening van alle daaropvolgende dokumente **[en kennisgewings]** , wat nie onder reël 4(1)*(a)* val nie, in enige verrigtinge op enige ander party by die litigasie mag uitgevoer word op een of meer van die volgende wyses na die adres of adresse soos voorgelê deur

daardie party behoudens reëls 6(5)*(b)*, 6 (5)*(d)*(i), 17(3), 19(3) of 34(8)—

*(a)* per hand by die fisiese adres wat vir betekening voorgelê is**[, of]**

*(b)* per geregistreerde pos na die posadres wat voorgelê is**[,]**; of

*(c)* per faksimilee of elektroniese pos na die onderskeie adresse wat voorgelê is.".

*(c)* deur subreël (5) te herroep.

**Wysiging van reël 6 van die Reëls**

**5.** Reël 6 van die Engels van die Reëls word hierby gewysig deur in subreël (12) paragraaf *(c)* deur die volgende paragraaf te vervang:

"*(c)* A person against whom an order was granted in such person's absence in an urgent application may by notice, set down the matter for reconsideration of the order.".

**Wysiging van reël 37 van die Reëls**

**6.** Reël 37 van die Reëls word hierby gewysig deur in subreël (6) paragraaf *(j)* deur die volgende paragraaf te vervang:

"*(j)* welke party vir—

(i) die kopiëring en ander voorbereiding van dokumente, met ingebrip van 'n bondel vir verhoor, waar die konvensionele metode gebruik word; en

(ii) die voorbereiding van dokumente, met inbegrip van 'n elektroniese bondel vir verhoor, waar die e-geregtigheidstelsel gebruik word,

verantwoordelik sal wees;".

**Wysiging van reël 37A van die Reëls**

**7.** Reël 37A van die Reëls word hierby gewysig—

*(a)* deur in subreël (7) paragraaf *(a)* deur die volgende paragraaf te vervang:

"*(a)* (i) van die datum, tyd en plek van 'n saakbestuurkonferensie in die aangeleentheid waaroor 'n saakbestuurregter gaan voorsit; en

(iii) hetsy die saakbestuurkonferensie met die konvensionele metode of die e-geregtigheidstelsel gehou gaan word;";

*(b)* deur in subreël (9) paragraaf *(b)* deur die volgende paragraaf te vervang:

"*(b)* 'n Saakbestuurregter kan, by die oorweging van die verklaring deur die partye in paragraaf *(a)* bedoel, beveel—

(i) dat verskyning deur een of al die partye van afgesien word; en

(ii) hetsy die saakbestuurkonferensie met die konvensionele metode of die e-geregtigheidstelsel gehou gaan word."; en

*(c)* deur subreël (13) deur die volgende subreël te vervang:

"(13) Die oorkonde van die saakbestuurkonferensie, met inbegrip van die notule deur die partye by die saakbestuurregter ingedien, enige voorskrifte deur die regter uitgereik en die regter se rekord van die geskilpunte wat in die aksie aangehoor staan te word, maar met uitsondering van enige skikkingsbesprekings en aanbiedinge, word ingesluit in die hoflêer **[wat aan]** vir die verhoorregter **[voorgelê gaan word]**.".

**Wysiging van reël 49 van die Reëls**

**8.** Reël 49 van die Reëls word hierby gewysig—

*(a)* deur in subreël (1) paragrawe *(b)* en *(e)* onderskeidelik deur die volgende paragrawe te vervang:

"*(b)* Wanneer verlof om te appelleer nodig is en dit nie ten tyde van die uitspraak of bevel **[aangevra]** om aansoek gedoen is nie, moet binne vyftien dae nadat die uitspraak of bevel waarteen geappelleer word, gegee is, aansoek om sodanige verlof gedoen word en die gronde daarvoor verstrek word: Met dien verstande dat—

(i) wanneer die hof die redes of die volledige redes vir sy bevel op 'n later datum as die datum van die bevel gee, sodanige aansoek binne vyftien dae na sodanige later datum gedoen kan word**[: Met dien verstande voorts dat]**;

(ii) die hof by die aanvoering van goeie gronde gemelde tydperke van vyftien dae kan verleng.

*(e)* Sodanige aansoek word aangehoor deur die regter wat by die verhoor voorgesit het of, indien **[hy]** daardie regter nie beskikbaar is nie, deur 'n ander regter van die afdeling waarvan bedoelde regter, toe **[hy]** daardie regter aldus voorgesit het, lid was.";

*(b)* deur subreël (5) te skrap;

*(c)* deur in subreël (6) paragraaf *(a)* deur die volgende paragraaf te vervang:

"(*a)* (i) 'n Appellant moet, binne 60 dae na aflewering van 'n kennisgewing van appèl, by die griffier van die afdeling waar die appèl aangehoor gaan word, vir 'n datum vir die verhoor van sodanige appèl aansoek doen en moet—

*(aa)* die griffier voorsien van die appellant se regsverteenwoordiger se fisiese en elektroniese posadresse; of as die appellant nie verteenwoordig is nie, dan die appellant se volle woonadres en 'n elektroniese posadres, indien die appellant 'n elektroniese posadres het; en

*(bb)* die naam en adres van elke ander party tot die appèl verstrek.

(ii) Sou die appellant versuim om aansoek te doen om 'n verhoordatum soos in subparagraaf (i) bedoel, kan die respondent binne 10 dae na die verstryking van die vermelde tydperk van 60 dae, aansoek doen om die terrolleplasing van die appèl of enige kruisappèl wat sodanige respondent moontlik genoem het.

(iii) Indien geen aansoek om 'n datum van terrolleplasing deur enige van die partye gedoen word nie, word die appèl en enige kruisappèl geag te verstryk het en enige van die partye kan by die hof aansoek doen om 'n bevel wat die verstryking van die appèl bevestig: Met dien verstande dat die respondent die reg het om aansoek te doen om 'n bevel vir enige vermorste koste.";

*(d)* deur in subreël (7) paragrawe *(a)* en *(b)* deur die volgende paragrawe te vervang:

"*(a)* (i) Gelyktydig met die aansoek om 'n datum vir die aanhoor van 'n appèl ingevolge subreël (6)*(a)*, moet die aansoeker 'n afskrif van die appèlnotule aflewer: Met dien verstande dat waar die e-geregtigheidstelsel nie operasioneel is in die afdeling waar die appèl verhoor gaan word nie, die appellant drie afskrifte van die appèlnotule by die griffier moet indien en twee afskrifte aan die respondent verstrek.

(ii) Die appellant moet daarbenewens 'n volledige indeks en afskrifte van alle stukke, dokumente en bewysstukke in die saak aflewer, behalwe formele en onbelangrike dokumente: Met dien verstande dat sodanige weglatings in die vermelde indeks genoem moet word.

*(b)* Die griffier van die hof wat die appèl of enige kruisappèl gaan aanhoor, moet daarna 'n datum vir die aanhoor van die appèl toeken of vir enige aansoek vir kondonasie en die appèl, na gelang van die geval, en moet die aansoek om kondonasie en appèl terrolle plaas vir verhoor op die vermelde datum en moet die partye ten minste 20 dae kennis gee van die datum aldus toegeken.";

*(e)* deur in subreël (7) paragrawe *(c)* en *(d)* te skrap;

*(f)* deur subreëls (8), (9) en (10) deur die volgende subreëls te vervang:

"(8) Die appèlnotule in subreël (7)*(a)*(i) moet duidelik in dubbelspasiëring getik word, die bladsye daarvan moet opeenvolgend genommer wees en elke tiende lyn op elke bladsy moet genommer wees.

(9) *(a)* Met **[toestemming van]** ooreenstemming tussen die partye kan bewysstukke en aanhangsels wat nie op die geskilpunt in die appèl betrekking het nie en ontersaaklike dele van lang dokumente weggelaat word.

*(b)* Die **[toestemming]** ooreenstemming, waarin uiteengesit word watter dokumente of dele van dokumente weggelaat is, word deur die partye onderteken en by die appèlnotule gevoeg**[. Die]**: Met dien verstande dat die hof wat die appèl aanhoor, kan beveel dat die hele notule **[aan hom voorgelê]** beskikbaar gestel word.

(10) Wanneer die beslissing van 'n appèl uitsluitend van 'n regspunt afhang, kan die partye toestem om sodanige appèl aan die hof

in die vorm van 'n gestelde saak voor te lê, in welke geval **[afskrifte van]**, net dié gedeeltes van die notule wat vir die behoorlike beslissing van die appèl nodig mag wees, **[voorgelê]** afgelewer word: Met dien verstande dat die hof wat die appèl aanhoor, kan beveel dat die hele notule **[aan hom voorgelê]** beskikbaar gestel word.";

*(g)* deur subreël (12) te skrap;

*(h)* deur in subreël (13) paragraaf *(a)* deur die volgende paragraaf te vervang:

"*(a)* Tensy die respondent van sy of haar reg tot sekuriteit afstand doen, of die hof by die toestaan van verlof om te appelleer of op aansoek daarna gebring, die appellant in die geheel of gedeeltelik van diè verpligting vrygestel het, moet die appellant, voor indiening van **[afskrifte van]** die appèlnotule by die griffier, voldoende sekuriteit vir die respondent se koste van appèl verskaf.".

*(i)* deur subreël (14) te skrap;

*(j)* deur subreël (15) deur die volgende subreël te vervang:

"(15) Minstens vyftien dae voor die verhoor van die appèl moet die appellant 'n bondige opgawe aflewer van die hoofpunte **[(]**sonder om daaroor uit te brei**[)]**, wat **[hy]** die aansoeker op appèl wil aanvoer, tesame met 'n lys van die bronne wat ter stawing van elke punt aangehaal sal word, en minstens tien dae voor die verhoor van die appèl, moet die respondent 'n dergelike opgawe aflewer**[. Drie]**: Met dien verstande dat waar die e-geregtigheidstelsel nie operasioneel is nie, drie addisionele afskrifte **[word]** in elke geval by die griffier ingedien word.".

**Wysiging van reël 49A van die Reëls**

**9.** Reël 49A van die Reëls word hierby gewysig—

*(a)* deur in subreël (1) paragrawe *(a)* en *(b)* deur die volgende paragrawe te vervang:

"*(a)* Binne 10 dae nadat verlof om te appelleer ingevolge artikels 316 tot en met 319 van die Strafproseswet 51 van 1977, toegestaan is—

**[, moet die appellant 'n kennisgewing wat die volledige woon en posadres van die appellant en die adres van sy of haar**

**regsverteenwoordiger bevat, aan die betrokke griffier en direkteur van openbare vervolgings aflewer.]**

(i) moet die appellant se regsverteenwoordiger 'n kennisgewing met die fisiese en elektroniese posadres van sodanige regsverteenwoordiger aan die griffier en die direkteur van openbare vervolgings, aanstuur; of

(ii) indien die appellant nie regsverteenwoordiging het nie, moet die appellant self elektronies 'n kennisgewing met die volle woonadres en posadres van die appellant en 'n elektroniese posadres, as die appellant 'n elektroniese posadres het, aan die griffier of direkteur van openbare vervolgings aanstuur of beteken.

*(b)* In die geval van 'n appèl na die volle hof ingevolge artikel 315(3) van die Strafproseswet 51 van 1977, moet die griffier, behoudens die bepalings van artikel 316(5)*(b)* van die vermelde Wet, 'n elektroniese afskrif van die saakoorkonde of dele daarvan, na gelang van die geval, voorberei en moet die Staat voorsien van 'n afskrif en, by betaling van die voorgeskrewe gelde deur die appellant of die appellant se regsverteenwoordiger, die appellant of regsverteenwoordiger voorsien van die elektroniese kopie van die oorkonde: Met dien verstande dat indien die griffier van mening is dat die appellant nie die voorgeskrewe geld kan betaal nie, kan die oorkonde kosteloos verstrek word.";

*(b)* deur in subreël (1) paragraaf *(c)* te skrap;

*(c)* deur in subreël (2) paragraaf *(c)* deur die volgende paragraaf te vervang:

*"(c)* In elke geval moet **[vier afskrifte van sodanige]** skriftelike betoogshoofde gelyktydig by die griffier ingedien word: Met dien verstande dat waar die e-geregtigheidstelsel nie operasioneel is nie, vier afskrifte van die betoogshoofde ingedien moet word."; en

*(d)* deur subreël (4) deur die volgende subreël te vervang:

"(4) Die finale verantwoordelikheid om te verseker dat **[alle afskrifte van]** die appèloorkonde en al die nodige bewysstukke behoorlik voor die hof is, rus op die appellant **[of sy of haar]** se regsverteenwoordiger: Met dien verstande dat waar die appellant nie **[deur 'n regsverteenwoordiger verteenwoordig word]**

regsverteenwoordiging het nie, sodanige verantwoordelikheid by die direkteur van openbare vervolgings berus.”.

**Wysiging van reël 50 van die Reëls**

**10.** Reël 50 van die Reëls word hierby gewysig—

*(a)* deur subreël (4) deur die volgende subreël te vervang:

“(4) *(a)* Die appellant of sodanige appellant se regsverteenwoordiger moet, binne 40 dae sedert kennisname van die appèl, skriftelik by die griffier aansoek doen dat ’n datum vir die verhoor van die appèl toegewys word en moet terselfdertyd—

(iii) kennis van die aansoek aan alle ander partye gee; en

(iv) indien die appellant regsverteenwoordiging het, moet sodanige regsverteenwoordiger die griffier skriftelik in kennis stel van die regsverteenwoordiger se fisiese en elektroniese posadres; of

(iii) indien die appellant nie regsverteenwoordiging het nie, moet die appellant die griffier inlig van sy of haar volle woonadres en posadresse en ’n elektroniese posadres as die appellant elektroniese pos het.

*(b)* By ontstentenis van so 'n aansoek deur die appellant kan die respondent of die respondent se regsverteenwoordiger, te eniger tyd voor verstryking van die tydperk van 60 dae bedoel in subreël (1), op dieselfde wyse om 'n datum van aanhoring aansoek doen.

*(c)* By ontvangs van so 'n aansoek **[van]** deur of namens die appellant of die respondent word die appèl geag behoorlik voortgesit te wees.”;

*(b)* deur in subreël (7) paragrawe *(a)*, *(b)* en *(c)* deur die volgende paragrawe te vervang:

“*(a)* Die aansoeker moet, terselfdertyd as die aansoek om ’n datum vir die aanhoor van die appèl in subreël (4) bedoel, afskrifte van die oorkonde wat ingevolge paragraaf *(c)* gesertifiseer is, by die griffier indien en aan alle ander partye beteken: Met dien verstande dat waar die e-geregtigheidstelsel nie operasioneel is nie, die aansoeker twee afskrifte van die oorkonde by die griffier moet indien en op versoek deur

die griffier soveel bykomende afskrifte moet indien soos nodig mag wees waar die appèl deur meer as twee regters aangehoor gaan word.

*(b)* Die oorkonde moet duidelik getik wees, in dubbelspasiëring, die bladsye moet opeenvolgend genommer wees en elke tiende lyn op elke bladsy moet genommer wees.

*(c)* Die oorkonde moet 'n korrekte en volledige afskrif van die pleitstukke, getuienis en alle dokumente bevat wat vir die aanhoor van die appèl nodig is, saam met 'n indeks daarvan, en moet as korrek gesertifiseer wees deur die regspraktisyn of party wat die oorkonde indien of deur die persoon wat die oorkonde voorberei het.";

*(c)* deur in subreël (7) paragraaf *(d)* te skrap;

*(d)* deur in subreël (8) paragraaf *(a)* deur die volgende paragraaf te vervang:

"*(a)* Behalwe vir sover hulle die meriete van 'n appèl raak, word getuiedagvaardings, kennisgewings van verhoor, toestemmings tot uitstel, opgawes van dokumente, kennisgewings om bloot te lê of insae toe te laat en ander dokumente van formele aard uit die oorkonde weggelaat wat ingevolge subreël (7) voorberei word**[, maar]** Met dien verstande dat 'n lys **[daarvan word]** van die dokumente wat weggelaat is, in die oorkonde bygevoeg word."; en

*(e)* deur subreël (9) deur die volgende subreël te vervang:

"(9) *(a)* Nie minder nie as 15 dae voor die appèl aangehoor word, moet die appellant 'n kort en bondige verklaring van die hoofpunte aflewer, sonder uitweiding, wat die appellant by appèl wil aanvoer, asook 'n lys van die gesagte wat ter stawing van elke punt aangebied gaan word.

*(b)* Nie minder nie as 10 dae voor die appèl aangehoor word, moet die respondent 'n soortgelyke verklaring aflewer.".

**Wysiging van reël 51 van die Reëls**

**11.** Reël 51 van die Reëls word hierby gewysig—

*(a)* deur subreël (2) deur die volgende subreël te vervang:

"(2) Ongeag enigiets tot die teendeel in enige reël vervat, kan 'n kennisgewing aan 'n appellant of sy of haar regsverteenwoordiger beteken word—

*(a)* deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel, waar operasioneel, indien die appellant se regsverteenwoordiger of die appellant toegang tot die e-geregtigheidstelsel het;

*(b)* deur 'n e-pos as die appellant of sy of haar regsverteenwoordiger 'n elektroniese posadres verstrek het;

*(c)* deur die balju of enige persoon wat gemagtig is om namens die Staat te beteken, by 'n adres op die kennisgewing van appèl of wat die appellant of sy of haar regsverteenwoordiger daarna aan die griffier verstrek het; of

*(d)* behalwe wanneer geen ander middele beskikbaar is nie, per geregistreerde pos na 'n adres in paragraaf *(c)* bedoel."; en

*(b)* deur in subreël (5) subparagraaf *(b)*(ii) deur die volgende subparagraaf te vervang:

"(ii) deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel, waar operasioneel, gestuur word of na 'n elektroniese posadres, welke ook al van toepassing is:

Met dien verstande dat waar die appellant in aanhouding is, dit aan die hoof van die korrektiewe sentrum beteken moet word, wat 'n harde kopie van die kennisgewing aan die appellant moet oorhandig.".

**Wysiging van reël 52 van die Reëls**

**12.** Reël 52 van die Reëls word hierby gewysig—

*(a)* deur in subreël (1) paragraaf *(c)* deur die volgende paragraaf te vervang:

"*(c)* 'n hof ingevolge artikel 319 van genoemde Wet 'n regsvraag wat by die verhoor van 'n appellant ontstaan, voorbehou het—

(iv) moet die griffier van die hof wat die appellant verhoor het, by die griffier van die Hoogste Hof van Appèl **[ses afskrifte]** 'n afskrif van die oorkonde (**[waarvan een]** wat deur die eersgenoemde griffier gesertifiseer is) van die verrigtinge in die verhoorhof indien en **[soveel eksemplare]** een afskrif aan die Staat verskaf **[as wat nodig geag mag word]**: Met

dien verstande dat in plaas van die hele oorkonde, met die toestemming van die appellant en die Staat, **[afskrifte]** ’n afskrif (**[waarvan een]** wat deur die eersgenoemde griffier gesertifiseer is) van sodanige gedeeltes daarvan as waarop die appellant en die Staat kan ooreenkom as voldoende, deurgestuur mag word, in welke geval die Hoogste Hof van Appèl nietemin **[afskrifte]** ’n afskrif van die hele oorkonde kan aanvra;

(v) mag die appellant teen betaling van die voorgeskrewe gelde van die griffier van die hof wat die appellant verhoor het, **[soveel eksemplare van die oorkonde of gedeeltes daarvan (na gelang van die geval), verkry as wat hy of sy nodig het]**, ’n elektroniese afskrif: Met dien verstande dat as die appellant **[te arm is om]** nie die voorgeskrewe gelde **[te]** kan betaal nie, die appellant die eksemplare kosteloos kan kry.

(vi) Indien die appellant in aanhouding is, moet ’n harde kopie van die oorkonde aan die hoof van die korrektiewe fasiliteit beteken word, wat dit aan die appellant moet oorhandig.”.

**Wysiging van reël 53 van die Reëls**

**13.** Reël 53 van die Reëls word hierby gewysig—

*(a)* deur in subreël (1) die woorde wat paragraaf *(a)* voorafgaan deur die volgende woorde te vervang:

“(1) Behalwe waar enige wet anders bepaal, sal al die beslissings wat hersien moet word van die besluite of verrigtinge van enige **[ondergeskikte]** laer hof en van enige regbank, kommissie of enige amptenaar wat geregtelike, kwasigeregtelike of afdwingbare pligte uitvoer, deur middel van 'n kennisgewing van voorstel deur die party wat die hersiening van sodanige besluit of verrigtinge versoek aan die toepaslike magistraat, voorsittende beampte of voorsitter van die hof, regbank of kommissie of die amptenaar gerig en **[afgelewer]** beteken word asook aan al die ander betrokke partye—”.

*(b)* deur in subreël (1) paragraaf *(b)* deur die volgende paragraaf te vervang:

"*(b)* met 'n beroep op die toepaslike magistraat, voorsittende beampte, voorsitter of amptenaar om binne 15 dae nadat die kennis van voorstel ontvang is, 'n verslag aan die **[registrateur]** griffier te stuur van die versoek om sodanige verrigtinge te verbeter of ter syde te stel, insluitende sodanige redes wat die wet van die landdros, voorsittende beampte, voorsitter of beampte, na gelang van die geval, vereis of versoek om te verskaf of te verstrek en om die aansoeker te verwittig dat sodanige landdros, voorsittende beampte, voorsitter of beampte, na gelang van die geval, dit gedoen het.".

*(c)* deur subreël (3) deur die volgende subreël te vervang:

"**[(3) Die registrateur sal die verslag wat gestuur is, aan die aansoeker beskikbaar stel in terme van sodanige bepalings wat reeds genoem is wanneer die registrateur dink dit is toepaslik om die veiligheid daarvan te verseker en die aansoeker sal vervolgens toesien dat afskrifte van toepaslike gedeeltes van die verslag wat noodsaaklik vir die hersieningsdoeleindes is, gemaak word en sal twee afskrifte daarvan aan die registrateur voorsien en een afskrif aan elke ander party; die aansoeker moet elke juiste afskrif waarmerk. Indien daar enige transkriberingkoste is, sal die aansoeker verantwoordelikheid aanvaar om dit te betaal en dit sal deel van die aansoekkoste uitmaak.]**

(3) *(a)* Die griffier moet 'n afskrif van die oorkonde bedoel in subreël (1)*(b)* wat aan hom of haar gestuur is, op die volgende wyse aan die aansoeker beskikbaar stel—

(i) deur die e-geregtigheidstelssel, waar operasioneel, as die aansoeker of sy of haar regsverteenwoordiger toegang tot die e-geregtigheidstelsel het;

(ii) deur die aansoeker of sy of haar regsverteenwoordiger se elektroniese posadres, as die aansoeker of sy of haar regsverteenwoordiger nie toegang tot die e-geregtigheidstelsel het nie, maar 'n elektroniese posadres vir betekening gekies het; of

(iii) 'n harde kopie, by betaling van die voorgeskrewe kopiëringsheffing.

*(b)* Die aansoeker moet daarna 'n afskrif van sodanige dele van die oorkonde wat vir die doeleindes van die hersiening nodig mag wees,

aan die griffier voorsien, deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel, waar operasioneel, deur elektroniese pos of deur ’n harde kopie by die griffier in te dien.

*(c)* Die koste van transkripsie, indien enige, word deur die aansoeker gedek en is koste in die geding.”.

**Wysiging van reël 62**

**14.** Reël 62 van die Reëls word hierby gewysig—

*(a)* deur subreëls (1), (2), (5) en (7) onderskeidelik deur die volgende subreëls te vervang:

“(1) As 'n saak deur meer as een regter verhoor moet word, moet die griffier 'n afskrif van alle pleitstukke, belangrike kennisgewings, aanhangsels, beëdigde verklarings en dergelike vir die gebruik van elke addisionele regter **[ingedien word]** voorsien.

(2) Alle stukke wat by die hof ingedien word, deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel of die konvensionele metode, behalwe bewysstukke of 'n reproduksie daarvan, moet duidelik en leesbaar wees en indien dit gedruk **[of getik]** word, moet dit in **[permanente]** swart **[of blou-swart]** ink, net op een kant van papier wat van A4-standaardgrootte en van goeie gehalte moet wees. **['n Stuk word geag getik te wees as dit duidelik op geskikte papier deur duplikasie, litografie, fotografie of enige ander kopieermetode gereproduseer is]**.”.

(5) Op die eerste bladsy van elke beëdigde verklaring wat deur of namens 'n respondent by die griffier ingedien word, moet, as daardie respondent verteenwoordlg is, die naam en **[adres]** elektroniese posadres van die indienende **[prokureur]** regsverteenwoordiger verskyn. **[(7) Any party to a cause, and any person having a personal interest therein, with leave of the registrar on good cause shown, may at the registrar’s office, examine and make copies of all documents in such cause.]**

(7) Enige persoon kan alle stukke in ’n hoflêer bestudeer en afskrifte daarvan verkry—

*(a)* indien gedruk, by die kantoor van die griffier en by betaling van die voorgeskrewe gelde;

*(b)* deur die e-geregtigheidstelsel, waar operasioneel; of

*(c)* elektronies by ’n elektroniese posadres.”; en

*(b)* deur subreëls (8) en (9) by te voeg:

“*(*8) Stukke vir insluiting in ’n elektroniese bondel vir verhoor—

*(a)* moet, indien in harde kopie, geskandeer word en in PDF-formaat omgeskakel word en indien elektronies, in PDF-formaat omgeskakel word;

*(b)* indien ’n dokument nie na PDF-formaat omgeskakel kan word nie, na ’n geskikte formaat omgeskakel word by ooreenkoms tussen die partye om die insluiting van die dokument in ’n bondel vir verhoor te vergemaklik: Met dien verstande dat enige dokument wat aldus omgeskakel is, in die oorspronklike formaat behou moet word en vir produksie beskikbaar moet wees.

(9) Partye wat nie toegang tot die e-geregtigheidstelsel het nie, moet deur die dienstoonbank bygestaan word om aan die bepalings van subreël (8)*(a)* te voldoen.".

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