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High Court (COVID-19 Preparedness) Amendment Rules 2020

These rules, which come into force immediately upon their notification in the Gazette, have been prepared in circumstances of urgency to facilitate the continuation of civil proceedings in the High Court during the course of the outbreak of COVID-19.

These rules amend the [High Court Rules 2016](#) to—

- ensure hearings can proceed with remote participation:
- allow for the electronic filing of documents:
- provide for reliance on unsworn affidavits.

The continuing need for these amendments will be reviewed by the Rules Committee on a decision by the Government that the outbreak is at an end.

Issued under the authority of the [Legislation Act 2012](#).

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These rules are administered by the Ministry of Justice.