

History of Notice to the Profession and Public

- Original Notice to the Profession and Public issued on March 19, 2020, and effective March 25, 2020 (unless otherwise stated in the Notice).
- Updated Notice issued March 23, 2020 with additions noted in red.
- April 2, 2020: Updated Appendix B to replace picture of Application to Vary Bail by Consent Form with link to the Form.
- April 14, 2020: Changes since last update noted in red, including adding applications to replace a police undertaking under s. 502(2) of the *Criminal Code* under “Persons in Custody”; revising “Judicial Authorization” section and removing “Justice Centre” section in Part III “Criminal (Adult and Youth)”; adding Part IV “Public Health Emergency Matters”; and housekeeping changes.
- April 28, 2020: Updated to set out the plan to commence recovery of some court operations that are capable of being done remotely by audioconference or videoconference.
- May 8, 2020: Updated to address: summary proceedings in criminal matters and, some urgent matters (see page 8 for information regarding a May 16, 2020 deadline).
- June 12, 2020: Updated to remove reference to Hub Courts; address Initial Appearance Court, remand appearances, and court appearances scheduled after July 3, 2020: update Appendix “C” and Appendix “D”. See, also, [NP 22 Resuming In-Person Proceedings During COVID-19: Health & Safety Protocols](#) and [NP 21 Guide to Remote Proceedings](#).
- July 2, 2020: Updated regarding traffic court locations, registry opening for new filings, urgent applications, additions to Appendix C and further information regarding CRIM 12.
- July 13, 2020: Updated to reflect that court registries will accept all filings including in-person filings, and to remove references to the urgent hearing process in place during reduced registry operations; added Nelson Traffic Court sittings on August 14 and 28, 2020 and housekeeping changes to remove outdated information including several Appendices.
- July 17, 2020: Updated to add Creston Traffic Court sittings, move references to details regarding Circuit Courts to new Notice (NP 23) hyperlinked in Part III.
- July 29, 2020: Updated “Family” and “Criminal” sections; clarification of small claims applications and payment hearing appearances after July 3, 2020.
- August 17, 2020: Removed chapter under Part IV “Traffic, Ticket and Bylaw Matters” as Notices of Hearing contain relevant information.
- September 2, 2020: Updated section d under Part I “Family”, section c under Part II “Small Claims”, and reference to “unpaid agents permitted by the presiding judicial officer” under Part V “Traffic Matters”; and consequential amendments to Part III “Criminal” further to the revised [CRIM 12 Practice Direction](#).
- October 1, 2020: Updated to reflect current court operations only, delete historical references such as to Appendix “A” – Adjournment Details, and change “remote proceedings” references to “virtual proceedings”.
- December 7, 2020: Updated Part III “Family” to reflect Early Resolution and Case Management Model in Surrey; changed title from “COVID-19: Resumption of Court Operations”.
- December 21, 2020: Updated Part V, section 8 to include reference to s. 49 *Community Charter* applications; updated Part II regarding suspension of limitation periods.
- February 16, 2021: Updated Part II title for Limitation Periods; Part V, section 8 re Judicial Authorizations; Part VII Traffic, Ticket and Bylaws to remove references to alternate locations for hearings; and housekeeping changes.
- **March 1, 2021: Updated Part VII Traffic, Ticket and Bylaws to add section entitled “Process for Disputant – Request to Appear by Telephone or Videoconference”; updated Part IV Small Claims re Applications and Payment Hearings.**