



Magistrates' Court Victoria

Practice Direction

No. 7 of 2018

SEXUAL OFFENCES – SUMMARY CONTEST LISTINGS

This Practice Direction is issued pursuant to s 419 of the *Criminal Procedure Act 2009*.

Background

This Practice Direction provides for updated forms to be used in criminal proceedings which relate wholly or partly to a charge of a sexual offence and where the proceedings are to be listed for a summary contested hearing.

Directions

1. This Practice Direction revokes Practice Direction No.5 of 2008
2. A contest mention information form for summary contested hearings must be in Form A. Before the date for a summary contested hearing is fixed, this form must be filed with the Court at the contest mention hearing.
3. A Notice of Readiness for Hearing must be in Form B. This form must be filed with the Court either at the contest mention or at a special mention not later than 14 days before the date for the summary contested hearing.

This practice Direction commences on 23 July 2018

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PETER LAURITSEN
Chief Magistrate

Dated: 20 July 2018