



Courts Act 2003

2003 CHAPTER 39

PART 7

PROCEDURE RULES AND PRACTICE DIRECTIONS

Criminal Procedure Rules and practice directions

71 Power to change certain requirements relating to Committee

- (1) The Lord Chancellor may by order—
 - [^{F1}(a) amend section 70(2) or (3A), and]
 - (b) make consequential amendments in any other provision of section 70.
- [^{F2}(2) The Lord Chancellor may make an order under this section only with the concurrence of the Lord Chief Justice.
- (3) The Lord Chief Justice may nominate a judicial office holder (as defined in section 109(4) of the Constitutional Reform Act 2005) to exercise his functions under this section.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 71(1)(a) substituted (3.4.2006) by [Constitutional Reform Act 2005 \(c. 4\)](#), s. 15, [Sch. 4 para. 334\(2\)](#); [S.I. 2006/1014](#), [art. 2\(a\)](#), Sch. 1 para. 11(aa)
- F2** S. 71(2)(3) substituted (3.4.2006) for s. 71(2) by [Constitutional Reform Act 2005 \(c. 4\)](#), s. 15, [Sch. 4 para. 334\(3\)](#); [S.I. 2006/1014](#), [art. 2\(a\)](#), Sch. 1 para. 11(aa)

Changes to legislation:

Courts Act 2003, Section 71 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 19 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 75(6) inserted by [2022 c. 35 Sch. 4 para. 3\(2\)](#)
- s. 76(2B) inserted by [2010 c. 26 Sch. 3 para. 14](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 3 Pt. 2 repealed (4.9.2013) without ever being in force by [2013 c. 22](#), s. 17(4) ; S.I. 2013/2200 art. 2(a))
- s. 81(6) inserted by [2022 c. 35 Sch. 4 para. 3\(3\)](#)
- s. 85EA(5) words substituted by [2022 c. 32 Sch. 11 para. 29](#)
- Sch. 5 para. 13(1)(ca) inserted by [2013 c. 22 s. 26\(3\)](#)

Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the Courts Act 2003

Commencement Orders bringing provisions within this Act into force:

- [S.I. 2005/547 art. 2](#) commences ([2003 c. 39](#))