

2011 No. 100

COUNTY COURTS

**The County Court (Amendment No. 2) Rules (Northern Ireland)
2011**

Made - - - - - *11th March 2011*

Coming into operation - *2nd May 2011*

The County Court Rules Committee makes the following Rules in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 47 of the County Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1980(a).

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1. These Rules may be cited as the County Court (Amendment No.2) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2011 and shall come into operation on 2nd May 2011.

2. In these Rules, a reference to an Order, rule, Appendix or Form is a reference to that Order, rule, Appendix or Form so numbered in the County Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1981(b).

Amendments to the County Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1981

3. The County Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1981 are amended as follows—

(1) In Order 26, rule 3(1) for “£2000” substitute “£3,000”.

(2) In Order 55, rule 19—

(a) in paragraph (1)(b) for “£2,000” substitute “£3,000”;

(b) in paragraph (2) for “£2,000” substitute “£3,000”.

(3) In Appendix 1, in Form 10A for “£2,000” substitute “£3,000”.

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4. Nothing in these Rules shall affect any proceedings which are pending immediately before these Rules come into operation and the Rules in operation before that date shall continue to apply to those proceedings.

(a) S.I. 1980/397 (N.I.3) to which the most recent relevant amendment was made by the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (Devolution of Policing and Justice Functions) Order 2010 (No. 976)

(b) S.R. 1981 No. 225 to which the most recent amendments were made by S.R. 2011 No.58

The undersigned members of the County Court Rules Committee certify these Rules and submit them to the Department of Justice.

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Dated 8th March 2011

In exercise of the powers conferred by Article 47(4) of the County Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 and after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice, I allow these Rules which shall come into operation on 2nd May 2011.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Justice on 11th March 2011



David Ford
Minister of Justice

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Rules)

These Rules amend the County Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1981 (S.R. 1981 No. 225) to take account of the increase in the small claims court jurisdiction from £2000 to £3000.

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