

Sittings of the Sheriff Appeal Court Order 2016

The President of the Sheriff Appeal Court makes this Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 57(3) of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 and all other powers enabling her to do so.

Interpretation

1. In this Order—

“civil business” means an appeal—

- (a) to which section 109 of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 applies;
- (b) under section 110 of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014; or
- (c) under any other enactment which provides that an appeal may be taken to the Sheriff Appeal Court from the decision of a sheriff in civil proceedings;

“criminal business” means—

- (a) an appeal, bill of suspension or bill of advocation under Part X (appeals from summary proceedings) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995; or
- (b) an appeal under any other enactment which provides that an appeal relating to criminal proceedings may be taken to the Sheriff Appeal Court;

“designated place” means any place in Scotland designated by virtue of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 for the holding of sheriff courts;

“local civil business” means civil business of a description specified in paragraph 1(3) (quorum of the Court: single Appeal Sheriff) of Schedule 1 to the Act of Sederunt (Sheriff Appeal Court Rules) 2015.

Sittings of the Sheriff Appeal Court: criminal business

2. The Sheriff Appeal Court may sit for the disposal of criminal business from Monday to Friday each week within the Lawnmarket Building, High Street, Edinburgh.

Sittings of the Sheriff Appeal Court: civil business

3. The Sheriff Appeal Court may sit for the disposal of civil business from Monday to Friday each week within Parliament House, Parliament Square, Edinburgh.

4. The Sheriff Appeal Court may sit for the disposal of local civil business from Monday to Friday each week at any designated place.

Public holidays

5. The Sheriff Appeal Court is not to sit for the disposal of any business at Edinburgh on the following public and court holidays—

<i>Date</i>	<i>Description</i>
25th March 2016	Good Friday
28th March 2016	Easter Monday
18th April 2016	Spring Holiday
2nd May 2016	May Day Holiday
23rd May 2016	Victoria Day Holiday
19th September 2016	Autumn Holiday
28th November 2016	St. Andrew’s Day
23rd December 2016	Christmas Eve (afternoon only)
26th December 2016	Boxing Day
27th December 2016	Christmas Day (in lieu)

6. The Sheriff Appeal Court is not to sit for the disposal of local civil business at a designated place on any day that is a public or court holiday at that place.

Court hours

7. The Sheriff Appeal Court normally sits between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m., with an appropriate adjournment for lunch.

Revocation

8. The Sittings of the Sheriff Appeal Court for the legal year 2015/2016 Order is revoked.

I appoint this Order to be—

- (a) recorded in the Act Book of the Sheriff Appeal Court;
- (b) published on the walls of court;
- (c) published on the website of the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service,

all for publication to the lieges.

MHAIRI M STEPHEN QC
President of the Sheriff Appeal Court

Edinburgh
14 January 2016