



**Coronavirus**

**Order in respect of Summary Criminal Business – Refixing Diets**

**No. 1 of 2021**

In relation to the following categories of summary criminal business calling in the weeks specified in column A of the Schedule to this Order, certain diets have been assigned for days which are no longer suitable to the court, namely:

1. All cases calling in the diet courts (except diets of deferred sentence and those where the accused is in custody );
2. All cases calling in the intermediate diet courts (excepting those where the accused is in custody and those in which a trial diet is presently assigned for a date on or after 1 March 2021); and
3. All cases calling in the summary trials courts (excepting those where the accused is in custody and part heard trials);
4. All cases calling in the Justice of the Peace Court.

In accordance with the power set out in section 137ZB of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 (“the 1995 Act”), the court, of its own accord, hereby discharges the said diets assigned for the weeks specified in column A of the Schedule to this guidance and fixes new diets as follows:

1. In respect of all cases calling in the diet courts in a week specified in column A of the Schedule to this guidance, a new diet will be fixed in the week set out in column B of the same row in the Schedule;

2. In respect of all cases calling in the intermediate diet courts (excepting those where the accused is in custody and those in which a trial diet is presently assigned for a date on or after 1 March 2021) in a week specified in column A of the Schedule to this guidance, a new intermediate diet will be fixed in the week set out in column C of the same row in the Schedule and a Pre-Intermediate Diet Meeting will be fixed for the day 14 days prior to the new intermediate diet or such a date to be agreed; the trial diet will also be discharged and a new trial diet will be fixed in the week set out in column D of the same row in the Schedule;
3. In respect of all cases calling in the summary trials courts (excepting those where the accused is in custody) in a week specified in column A of the Schedule to this guidance, a new trial diet will be fixed for the week set out in column D of the same row in the Schedule;
4. In the event it is possible to progress a case by letter plea, these should be intimated to the Sheriff Clerk by 5pm two working days prior to the assigned date.

Appoints Sheriff Clerk to intimate said new diets to parties forthwith

**(signed)**

**Sheriff Principal D W Pyle**

**11 January 2021**

## SCHEDULE

COLUMN A	COLUMN B	COLUMN C	COLUMN D
w/c 11 January 2021 *	No earlier than w/c 1 March 2021	No earlier than w/c 10 May 2021	No earlier than w/c 7 June 2021
w/c 18 January 2021	No earlier than w/c 8 March 2021	No earlier than w/c 17 May 2021	No earlier than w/c 14 June 2021
w/c 25 January 2021	No earlier than w/c 15 March 2021	No earlier than w/c 24 May 2021	No earlier than w/c 21 June 2021
w/c 1 February 2021	No earlier than w/c 22 March 2021	No earlier than w/c 31 May 2021	No earlier than w/c 28 June 2021
w/c 8 February 2021	No earlier than w/c 29 March 2021	No earlier than w/c 7 June 2021	No earlier than w/c 5 July 2021
w/c 15 February 2021	No earlier than w/c 5 April 2021	No earlier than w/c 14 June 2021	No earlier than w/c 12 July 2021
w/c 22 February 2021	No earlier than w/c 12 April 2021	No earlier than w/c 21 June 2021	No earlier than w/c 19 July 2021

\*w/c 11 January 2021 – the order does not apply to any diet assigned for Monday 11 January 2021.