



ACT OF COURT

No 2 of 2024

SHERIFFDOM OF SOUTH STRATHCLYDE, DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY

COURT HOLIDAYS AND CUSTODY COURT ARRANGEMENTS 2025

I, Catherine Dowdalls KC, Sheriff Principal of the Sheriffdom of South Strathclyde, Dumfries and Galloway, by virtue of the powers conferred upon me by Section 28(1) of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 and Section 8(2) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995, do HEREBY prescribe:

- (a) Those days specified in Column A of Schedule 1 attached to this Act of Court as Court holidays for those courts within the Sheriffdom specified in Column B of Schedule 1 in the period to January 2026; and
- (b) That there will be a sitting for the disposal of criminal business on those dates specified in Column A of Schedule 2 in those courts specified in Column B of Schedule 2 if necessary to deal with any person in custody in respect of criminal business emanating from the courts specified in Column C of Schedule 2.

I appoint this Order to be inserted into the Act Books in every court within the Sheriffdom, published on the Notice Board of each court within the Sheriffdom and on the Scottish Court and Tribunals website.

This Act of Court supersedes the Act of Court No 1 of 2024 dated 3 June 2024 which is hereby revoked.

Sheriff Principal of South Strathclyde,
Dumfries and Galloway

SCHEDULE 1
Court Holidays

COLUMN A	COLUMN B
Wednesday 1 January 2025	All courts
Thursday 2 January 2025	All courts
Friday 18 April 2025	All courts
Monday 21 April 2025	All courts
Monday 5 May 2025	All courts
Monday 26 May 2025	Airdrie, Hamilton, Lanark and Stranraer Sheriff Courts
Monday 2 June 2025	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
Monday 21 July 2025	Airdrie, Hamilton and Lanark Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Monday 4 August 2025	Ayr and Stranraer Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
Monday 1 September 2025	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
Monday 22 September 2025	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
Monday 29 September 2025	Airdrie, Hamilton and Lanark Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Monday 6 October 2025	Ayr, Dumfries and Stranraer Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Monday 1 December 2025	All courts
Thursday 25 December 2025	All courts
Friday 26 December 2025	All courts
Thursday 1 January 2026	All courts
Friday 2 January 2026	All courts

SCHEDULE 2

Custody Court Arrangements

COLUMN A	COLUMN B sitting court	COLUMN C for custody business emanating from
Saturday 19 April 2025	Airdrie Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Airdrie, Hamilton and Lanark Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Dumfries and Stranraer Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Monday 5 May 2025	Hamilton Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Airdrie, Hamilton and Lanark Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Dumfries and Stranraer Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Monday 26 May 2025	Hamilton Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Airdrie, Hamilton and Lanark Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Dumfries and Stranraer Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Monday 2 June 2025	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
Monday 21 July 2025	Airdrie Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Airdrie, Hamilton and Lanark Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Monday 4 August 2025	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Dumfries and Stranraer Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Monday 1 September 2025	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court

Monday 22 September 2025	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
Monday 29 September 2025	Hamilton Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Airdrie, Hamilton and Lanark Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Monday 6 October 2025	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Dumfries and Stranraer Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Monday 1 December 2025	Airdrie Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Airdrie, Hamilton and Lanark Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Dumfries and Stranraer Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Saturday 27 December 2025	Hamilton Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Airdrie, Hamilton and Lanark Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Dumfries and Stranraer Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
Saturday 3 January 2026	Airdrie Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Airdrie, Hamilton and Lanark Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts
	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Ayr Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court
	Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court	Dumfries and Stranraer Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts