



HIGH COURT ACT 1991

**RULES OF THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE (SMALL CLAIMS LIMIT)
(AMENDMENT) RULES 1998**

Approved by Tyrwald : 28 April 1998

Coming into operation : 1 May 1998

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Deemsters by section 25 of the High Court Act 1991(a), and of all other enabling powers, the following Rules are hereby made:-

Citation, commencement, application and revocations

1. (1) These Rules may be cited as the Rules of the High Court of Justice (Small Claims Limit) (Amendment) Rules 1998 and, subject to section 25(4) of the High Court Act 1991, shall come into operation on 1 May 1998.
- (2) These Rules shall apply only in respect of proceedings which are commenced on or after 1 May 1998.
- (3) Rule 2 of the Rules of the High Court of Justice (Amendment) 1991(b) is revoked.
- (4) The Rules of the High Court of Justice (Amendment) 1995(c) are revoked.

Amendment of small claims arbitration limit

2. In Order 26A of the Rules of the High Court of Justice 1952 -
 - (a) in rules 2(3) and (3A) and 4(3) of Order 26A, for “£2,500” substitute “£5,000”;

(a) 1991 c.12. (b) G.C. 56/91. (c) S.D. 170/95.

(b) in rule 5 -

(i) in paragraph (b), the word "and" is revoked;

(ii) at the end add -

"and

(d) the costs of and incidental to an action which includes a claim for relief arising out of personal injuries sustained and where the arbitrator is satisfied that when the summons was issued the value of the claim appeared reasonably to exceed £250."

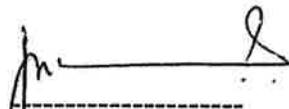
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First Deemster and Clerk of the Rolls



Second Deemster

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Rules)

The Rules extend the small claims procedure to include claims of up to "£5,000" and permit the arbitrator to award legal costs in personal injury claims determined by him.