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#### FAMILY JUSTICE ACT 2014

# FAMILY JUSTICE (AMENDMENT) RULES 2024

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 46 of the Family Justice Act 2014 and all other powers enabling us under any written law, we, the Family Justice Rules Committee, make the following Rules:

### Citation and commencement

1. These Rules are the Family Justice (Amendment) Rules 2024 and come into operation on 1 July 2024.

## **Amendment of rule 44**

- **2.** In the Family Justice Rules 2014 (G.N. No. S 813/2014) (called in these Rules the principal Rules), in rule 44
  - (a) in paragraph (1)(c), delete "and" at the end;
  - (b) in paragraph (1)(d), replace the full-stop at the end with "; and";
  - (c) in paragraph (1), after sub-paragraph (d), insert
    - "(e) if the writ is based on section 95A(1)(f), the written agreement required by section 95A(6)(a)."; and
  - (d) in paragraph (3), replace "section 95(3)(d) or (e)" with "section 95A(1)(d) or (e)".

#### Amendment of rule 47

3. In the principal Rules, in rule 47(1)(a), replace "section 95(3)(a)" with "section 95A(1)(a)".

## Amendment of rule 55

**4.** In the principal Rules, in rule 55(4), replace "section 95(3)" with "section 95A(1)".

#### New rule 55A

5. In the principal Rules, after rule 55, insert —

## "Form of agreement that marriage irretrievably broken down

**55A.** For the purposes of this Division, the written agreement required by section 95A(6)(a) must be made in the relevant Form."

## Amendment of rule 60

- **6.** In the principal Rules, in rule 60
  - (a) in paragraph (4)(d), delete "and" at the end;
  - (b) in paragraph (4)(e), replace the full-stop at the end with "; and";
  - (c) in paragraph (4), after sub-paragraph (e), insert
    - "(f) a copy of the written agreement required by section 95A(6)(a)."; and
  - (d) after paragraph (4), insert —

"(4A) If a writ is amended so that it is based on section 95A(1)(f), the plaintiff must file the written agreement required by section 95A(6)(a) together with the amended writ."

#### Amendment of rule 83

7. In the principal Rules, in rule 83(2)(c), after sub-paragraph (ii), insert —

"(iia) if the writ is based on section 95A(1)(f), the written agreement required by section 95A(6)(a);".

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Made on 15 June 2024.

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(To be presented to Parliament under section 46(7) of the Family Justice Act 2014).