

Sittings of the Sheriff Appeal Court Order 2024

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;

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 Parliament House, Edinburgh or the Saltmarket Building, Glasgow or any other designated place.

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 or any other designated place.

Public holidays

4. 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> |
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| 1 st January 2024 | New Year's Day Holiday |
| 2 nd January 2024 | Public Holiday |
| 29 March 2024 | Good Friday |
| 1 st April 2024 | Easter Monday |
| 15 th April 2024 | Spring Holiday |
| 6 th May 2024 | May Day Holiday |
| 20 th May 2024 | Victoria Day Holiday |
| 16 th September 2024 | Autumn Holiday |
| 2 nd December 2024 | St. Andrew's Day Holiday |
| 24 th December 2024 | Christmas Eve Holiday (afternoon only) |
| 25 th December 2024 | Christmas Holiday |
| 26 th December 2024 | Boxing Day Holiday |

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

Court hours

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

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.

AISHA Y ANWAR
President of the Sheriff Appeal Court

Glasgow

15 December 2023