

Practice Direction 8 of 2015

Judgment in Default of Appearance or Judgment in Default of Defence

1. This practice direction shall come into effect on 1st April 2015.
2. This practice direction is to apply to all Advocates & solicitors for Civil matters heard:
 - a. High Court
 - b. Intermediate Court
3. The principle intention of this direction is to shorten length of the court process and promote efficiency and avoid any delays.
4. Parties are directed to apply for the Certificate of Non-appearance not more than 14 days after service of the Writ and Statement of Claim.
5. Parties are further directed to file in the draft judgment in default of appearance or judgment in default of defence not more than 7 days after receipt of the certificate of non-appearance or not more than 7 days after the expiry of the time given to the defendant to file in the defence.
6. Parties are to file the draft judgment and relevant documents (example; certificate of non-appearance) together with the filed fair copy. For avoidance of doubt, in the event that any amendments are necessary, parties must re-submit amended documents, however no further filing fees shall be imposed.

(ORIGINAL SIGNED)

DATO SERI PADUKA HAJI KIFRAWI BIN DATO PADUKA HAJI KIFLI

**Chief Justice
Supreme Court
Brunei Darussalam**