



FAMILY COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

PUBLIC NOTICE 3 of 2021 – COVID-19

29 JUNE 2021

The following directions apply in relation to the business of the Family Court of Western Australia **from Tuesday 29 June 2021 until Friday 2 July 2021 (inclusive)**.

Hearings

1. All duty lists, procedural hearings, divorce hearings, interim hearings and conferences held in the Perth Registry remain listed and will proceed on the following basis:
 - a. Hearings will proceed by telephone only.
 - b. Conferences will proceed by telephone and/or by audio-visual link-up only.
2. All matters in the Kalgoorlie Circuit remain listed and will proceed as usual.
3. All defended trials are vacated, and parties / counsel will be contacted by the Court as soon as practicable in relation to the future listing and hearing arrangements.
4. Parties / counsel must email the Court no later than 2 business days prior to their hearing at: family.court@justice.wa.gov.au and provide the following information:
 - a. Their full name and Court file number;
 - b. The date and time of the hearing or conference;
 - c. Their contact telephone number.

Attendance at the Court Building

5. Parties, lawyers and other members of the public must not attend the Court in person, save and except with the prior approval of the Chief Judge.

Registry / Court Services

6. All front counter services, including the drop box, the public use computer kiosk and the subpoena office will be closed for the remainder of the week. Documents can continue to be lodged for filing electronically via the Commonwealth Courts Portal or by post.

7. These directions may be subject to further change at short notice, to comply with any further Directions issued from time to time by the Commissioner of Police and State Emergency Coordinator under the Emergency Management Act 2005 (WA). Parties and lawyers are strongly advised to continue to monitor the Court's website for further information and updates.

Gail Sutherland



Chief Judge

Family Court of Western Australia