



EDMONTON REGION ADDENDUM TO:

CASE MANAGEMENT OFFICE (CMO) AND OUT OF CUSTODY DOCKET COURT COURT RESUMPTION PROTOCOL

Amended August 26, 2020

Purpose:

The purpose of this practice note is to create a process for courts located in the Edmonton Region to hear criminal and youth docket and trial matters that have been presumptively adjourned due to the Courts Pandemic Plan as well as new matters arising after July 3, 2020. This Practice Note will remain in effect from September 14, 2020 until varied by subsequent Practice Note.

Procedures:

1. All criminal docket matters that have been presumptively adjourned under the Courts Pandemic Plan as well as new matters arising after July 3, 2020 will be addressed on the date to which the matter was adjourned (presumptively or otherwise) or the first appearance date for new matters.
2. All court dockets will proceed on the regularly scheduled docket date for each location. Circuit point docket courts will be conducted on the regularly scheduled date at all circuit point locations with the exception of Ft. Chipewyan which will be conducted at Ft. McMurray until further notice.
3. Remote appearances will be encouraged for all counsel and self-represented parties pursuant to the [CMO and of Custody Docket Court Business Resumption Protocol](#). Out of custody guilty pleas and other in person applications necessary will be heard on the regularly scheduled docket date.
4. Adjournments can be made by counsel and self-represented accused up to 48 hours before the scheduled court appearance date by emailing or telephoning the following base courts for matters scheduled at the base point or corresponding circuit points.

5. The following are the base courts for each circuit location:

Leduc	Breton Drayton Valley
Ft. Saskatchewan	Boyle
Hinton	Jasper Edson Grande Cache
Stony Plain	Whitecourt Mayerthorpe Evansburg
St. Albert	Morinville Barrhead Westlock Athabasca
St. Paul	Lac La Biche Cold Lake Bonnyville
Vermilion	Vegreville Wainwright Lloydminster
Ft. McMurray	Ft. Chipewyan

Hinton	hinp@csadm.just.gov.ab.ca	780-865-8280
Stony Plain	STOP@csadm.just.gov.ab.ca	780-963-6205
St. Albert	STAP@csadm.just.gov.ab.ca	780-458-7300
Sherwood Park	Shep@just.gov.ab.ca	780-464-0114
Ft. Saskatchewan	FTSP@just.gov.ab.ca	780-998-1200
Leduc	LEDP@csadm.just.gov.ab.ca	780-986-6911
Vermilion	VERP@just.gov.ab.ca	780-853-8130
St. Paul	STPP@csadm.just.gov.ab.ca	780-645-6324
Ft. McMurray	FMM_ProvincialCourt@just.gov.ab.ca	780-743-7195

6. Matters will be allowed to be adjourned pursuant to the [CMO and Out of Custody Docket Court Business Resumption Protocol](#) for 3 consecutive adjournments or 8 weeks whichever occurs first. Once a matter has reached this limitation, the matter must be spoken to in docket court before a judge. This appearance can be a remote appearance upon providing the Clerk of the appropriate court with a telephone contact number.

7. Trials and Preliminary inquiries for both in custody and out of custody matters will proceed on the date scheduled.
8. To schedule a new trial date, Defence Counsel will be responsible for obtaining available dates from the Clerk's office or from the trial co-ordinator for matters requiring more than one day for the hearing and thereafter contacting the Crown who will check availability of Crown witnesses and agree on a date. This date will then be sent to the Court office where a JP will confirm the trial date.
9. PTCs and Case Management Meetings to be conducted remotely.