

1976 No. 208

**COUNTY COURTS****County Court (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1976***Made* . . . . . 14th July 1976*Coming into operation* . . . . . 1st September 1976*To be laid before Parliament*

The Secretary of State<sup>(a)</sup> in pursuance of section 146 of the County Courts Act (Northern Ireland) 1959<sup>(b)</sup> on the recommendation of the County Court Rules Committee and after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice, hereby makes the following rules:

*Citation and commencement*

1. These rules may be cited as the County Court (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1976 and shall come into operation on 1st September 1976.

*Amendment of principal rules*

2. In Order 6 of the County Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1965<sup>(c)</sup> in rule 2(3) for the words "has been effected" there shall be substituted the words "is to be effected at the time that the document to be served is sent or delivered to the process server".

Northern Ireland Office  
14th July 1976

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(a) Formerly the Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland: *see* S.I. 1973/2163 (1973 III, p. 7541)

(b) 1959 c. 25 (N.I.)

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1965 No. 261 (p. 1097)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the rules but is intended to indicate their general purport.)*

These rules amend the County Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1965 by requiring a person who delivers or sends a document to a process server for service upon another person to pay the service fee at the time the civil bill is delivered or sent to the process server.