
DRAFT SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No.

**The Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 (Rules
of Procedure in Children's Hearings) Rules 2013**

PART 22

Miscellaneous

Travelling and subsistence expenses

97.—(1) The persons mentioned in paragraph (2) may make a claim, to the relevant local authority for the child, in respect of that person's attendance at a pre-hearing panel or children's hearing.

(2) Those persons are—

- (a) the child;
- (b) any relevant person;
- (c) any person representing the child or any relevant person;
- (d) any interpreter acting on behalf of the child or any relevant person;
- (e) any individual who claimed to have or recently have had significant involvement in the upbringing of the child;
- (f) any individual who has a contact order regulating contact between the individual and the child;
- (g) any individual who has a permanence order which specifies arrangements for contact between the individual and the child.

(3) Where a claim is made to the relevant local authority for the child under paragraph (1) the local authority must pay to the claimant travelling expenses and such other expenses and subsistence as have, in the opinion of the local authority, been reasonably incurred by the claimant.

(4) This rule does not apply to a solicitor or counsel representing the child or any relevant person at a pre-hearing panel or children's hearing.

Authentication of documents

98.—(1) Any order, warrant to secure the attendance of a child, notice, report, record or other writing required to be made, granted, given or kept by the children's hearing or pre-hearing panel or chairing member of that hearing under or by virtue of these Rules is sufficiently authenticated if it is signed by the chairing member of the relevant children's hearing or pre-hearing panel.

(2) Any document or notice authorised or required by these Rules to be kept or given by the Reporter is sufficiently authenticated if it is signed by the Reporter.

(3) Any copy of a document to be given to any person by the Reporter may be certified a true copy by the Reporter.

Written communications

99. Section 193 (formal communications) of the Act applies to these Rules and any type of communication made or given under these Rules is also a formal communication and section 193(2) to (4) applies to them.

Service of notification and documents

100. Any notice or other document authorised or required under these Rules to be given by the Reporter to any person may be given by the Reporter or by any police constable.