STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 384

The Criminal Procedure Rules 2005

PART 3

CASE MANAGEMENT

Readiness for trial or appeal

- **3.9.**—(1) This rule applies to a party's preparation for trial or (in the Crown Court) appeal, and in this rule and rule 3.10 trial includes any hearing at which evidence will be introduced.
 - (2) In fulfilling his duty under rule 3.3, each party must—
 - (a) comply with directions given by the court;
 - (b) take every reasonable step to make sure his witnesses will attend when they are needed;
 - (c) make appropriate arrangements to present any written or other material; and
 - (d) promptly inform the court and the other parties of anything that may—
 - (i) affect the date or duration of the trial or appeal, or
 - (ii) significantly affect the progress of the case in any other way.
 - (3) The court may require a party to give a certificate of readiness.