
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Rules)

These Rules make provision for proceedings in youth courts in relation to applications for injunctions to prevent anti-social behaviour, under Part 1 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. Under Part 1 of the 2014 Act, such proceedings are allocated to the High Court or county court where the respondent is aged 18 or over and to youth courts where the respondent is aged under 18, but with the possibility, for which these Rules provide, for a youth court to hear an application (or applications) involving a respondent aged 18 or over together with an application (or applications) involving a respondent aged under 18 if it is in the interests of justice for the applications to be heard together.

No forms are prescribed for applications. The Rules provide for all applications to which they apply to be made by complaint in writing, and provide separately for the matters which must be included in different applications. Provision is also made for proceedings against a respondent who attains the age of 18 after the proceedings are commenced either to remain in the youth court or be transferred to the High Court or county court according to the youth court's direction.