

SCHEDULE
TEMPORARY JUSTICE MEASURES

PART 4

NATIONAL JURISDICTION FOR CALLINGS FROM CUSTODY ETC.

Ability of any sheriff court to deal with proceedings following failure to appear

- 17 (1) [This paragraph](#) applies where—
- (a) a calling of proceedings has come before a sheriff court by virtue of [paragraph 16\(1\)](#), and
 - (b) the proceedings are in respect of an accused person’s failure to attend a diet in summary criminal proceedings or proceedings on indictment (“the principal proceedings”).
- (2) If the principal proceedings are proceedings on indictment, the court may deal with them until the end of the diet in which the calling mentioned in [sub-paragraph \(1\)\(a\)](#) takes place.
- (3) If the principal proceedings are summary criminal proceedings, they may continue to be dealt with—
- (a) in the same sheriff court, and
 - (b) by a sheriff of any sheriffdom,
- unless, and until the end of the diet at which, the accused person tenders a plea of not guilty or confirms that the person is adhering to a previously tendered plea of not guilty and (in either case) that plea is not accepted by the prosecutor.