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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 707 (L.26)**

**MAGISTRATES' COURTS  
PROCEDURE**

**The Magistrates' Courts (Forms) (Amendment) Rules 1997**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>10th March 1997</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>11th March 1997</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st April 1997</i>

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the power conferred upon him by section 144 of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980(1), and after consultation with the Rule Committee appointed under the said section 144, hereby makes the following Rules:

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(1) 1980 c. 43; as extended by section 145 of that Act (which is in turn amended by section 65(3) of, and Schedule 5 to, the Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996.