
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1998 No. 3132

The Civil Procedure Rules 1998

PART 16

STATEMENTS OF CASE

[^{F1} **Reply to defence**

16.7.—(1) If a claimant does not file a reply to the defence, the defendant must prove the matters raised in the defence.

(2) If a claimant—

- (a) files a reply to a defence; but
- (b) fails to deal with a matter raised in the defence,

the defendant must prove that matter even though it is not dealt with in the reply.

(Part 22 requires a reply to be verified by a statement of truth.)]

Textual Amendments

F1 Rules 16.4-16.7 substituted (1.10.2022) by [The Civil Procedure \(Amendment No. 2\) Rules 2022 \(S.I. 2022/783\)](#), rules 1(1), **12(4)**

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Civil Procedure Rules 1998, Section 16.7.