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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2016 No. 1024**

**The Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016**

**PART 12**

**COURT PROCEDURE AND PRACTICE**

**CHAPTER 9**

**Enforcement procedures**

**Warrants under sections 236, 251N and 366**

**12.55.**—(1) When a person is arrested under a warrant issued under section 236 (inquiry into insolvent company's dealings), 251N (the equivalent in relation to debt relief orders) or 366 (the equivalent in bankruptcy), the arresting officer must as soon as reasonably practicable bring the arrested person before the court issuing the warrant in order that the arrested person may be examined.

(2) If the arrested person cannot immediately be brought up for examination, the officer must deliver that person into the custody of the governor of the prison named in the warrant (or where that prison is not able to accommodate the arrested person, the governor of such other prison with appropriate facilities which is able to accommodate the arrested person), who must keep the arrested person in custody and produce that person before the court as it may from time to time direct.

(3) After arresting the person named in the warrant, the officer must as soon as reasonably practicable report to the court the arrest or delivery into custody (as the case may be) and apply to the court to fix a venue for the arrested person's examination.

(4) The court must appoint the earliest practicable time for the examination, and must—

- (a) direct the governor of the prison to produce the arrested person for examination at the time and place appointed; and
- (b) as soon as reasonably practicable deliver notice of the venue to the applicant for the warrant.

(5) Where any property in the arrested person's possession is seized, the property must, as directed by the warrant, be—

- (a) delivered to whoever is specified in the warrant as authorised to receive it, or otherwise dealt with in accordance with the directions in the warrant; or
- (b) kept by the officer seizing it pending the receipt of written orders from the court as to its disposal.