
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 417

**The Criminal Procedure (Amendment
No. 2) (Coronavirus) Rules 2020**

Amendments to the Criminal Procedure Rules

5. In Part 2 (Understanding and applying the Rules)—
- (a) in rule 2.2 (Definitions), for the definition of live link substitute—
 - “‘live link’ means a live video link or a live audio link and:
 - (i) ‘live video link’ means a live television link or other arrangement by which a person taking part in a hearing can see and hear, and be seen and heard by, everyone else who is taking part and who is not in the same place as that person,
 - (ii) ‘live audio link’ means a live telephone link or other arrangement by which a person taking part in a hearing can hear, and be heard by, everyone else who is taking part and who is not in the same place as that person;”;
 - (b) in rule 2.7 (Exercise of functions of the Crown Court), in paragraph (2)(b) for the words following “Crime and Disorder Act 1998” substitute “(Use of live link at preliminary hearings; Use of live link in sentencing hearings; Use of live link in enforcement hearings)”; and
 - (c) in rule 2.8 (Exercise of functions of a magistrates’ court), in paragraph (4)(b) for the words following “Crime and Disorder Act 1998” substitute “(Live links in preliminary, sentencing and enforcement hearings)”.