
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2022 No. 45

The Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Rules 2022

Amendments to the Criminal Procedure Rules

8. In Part 25 (Trial and sentence in the Crown Court), in rule 25.14 (Directions to the jury and taking the verdict)—

(a) for paragraph (3)(a) and (b) substitute—

“(a) to help the jury to come to a verdict—

(i) give jurors directions about the relevant law, and

(ii) summarise for them, to such extent as is necessary, the evidence relevant to the issues they must decide;

(b) give those directions orally and, as a general rule, in writing as well;”;

(b) renumber paragraphs (5) and (6) as (6) and (7) respectively; and

(c) for paragraph (4) substitute—

“(4) Directions to the jury under paragraph (3)(a) may include questions that the court invites jurors to answer in coming to a verdict.

(5) The court may give the jury other assistance in writing.”