

NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION RE: CHANGES TO THE COURTS OF NOVA SCOTIA WEBSITE

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Members of the Bar are advised that changes are coming to how the Nova Scotia Civil Procedure Rules, the associated Practice Memorandums, the Provincial Court Rules and the Provincial Court Practice Directives will appear on the Courts of Nova Scotia website (www.courts.ns.ca).

Effective Monday, June 28, 2021, these documents will be displayed using Qweri by Lexum, a service that enables online publishing of lengthy, complex documents, such as laws, legislation and court rules.

This new setup, which can be viewed [here](#), is a much cleaner, user friendly and intuitive format for the Rules and directives of the Courts. Qweri also allows users to print or save PDF versions of a specified section or the entire text of a document.

Once the new setup goes live, the existing web pages displaying the html text of the Civil Procedure Rules, as well as any links to those pages, will be disabled and deleted. As such, any existing bookmarks that counsel may have created will need to be updated.

For now, the Civil Procedure Rules [Home Page](#), the CPR [Index](#), the index pages for each individual Rule, the page for Civil Procedure documents in [French](#), and the [Provincial Court Rules Index](#) will be maintained as an easy way to organize and display the unofficial court forms.

Most court forms are currently available in Microsoft Word format and/or PDF. Work is underway to create or update the interactive PDF versions of the forms for all levels of Court.

These updates are part of the ongoing Courts Website Refresh project to improve the content, presentation, structure and behaviour of the Courts of Nova Scotia website. The new site is expected to launch in the fall of 2021.

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