



High Court (2026 Sittings) Rules 2025

We, Justices of the High Court of Australia, make the following Rules of Court.

Dated 17 June 2025

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1 Name

These Rules are the *High Court (2026 Sittings) Rules 2025*.

2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of these Rules specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of these Rules	The day after these Rules are registered.	20 June 2025

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of these Rules as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of these Rules.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of these Rules. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of these Rules.

3 Authority

These Rules are made under the *Judiciary Act 1903*.

4 Sittings of the High Court in 2026

- (1) Sittings of a Full Court of the High Court are to be held at Canberra and other places as required during the following periods:

Monday 2 February 2026 to Friday 13 February 2026
 Tuesday 10 March 2026 to Friday 20 March 2026
 Tuesday 7 April 2026 to Friday 17 April 2026
 Monday 4 May 2026 to Friday 15 May 2026
 Tuesday 9 June 2026 to Friday 19 June 2026
 Monday 3 August 2026 to Friday 14 August 2026
 Monday 7 September 2026 to Friday 18 September 2026
 Tuesday 6 October 2026 to Friday 16 October 2026
 Monday 2 November 2026 to Friday 13 November 2026
 Monday 30 November 2026 to Friday 11 December 2026

- (2) The winter recess begins on Saturday 20 June 2026.
 (3) The summer recess begins on Saturday 12 December 2026.

5 Repeal of these Rules

These Rules are repealed at the start of 1 January 2027.