

THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Notice to the Profession

Changes to Supreme Court Civil Rules: TMCs and Trial Briefs

The amendments made to the Supreme Court Civil Rules have been updated on the Scheduling website. Counsel should pay particular attention to the following changes to Rule 12-2, which now creates a specific window within which the TMC must take place. Scheduling will be monitoring compliance. In instances where the trial is adjourned after a TMC has been heard, it may be necessary to schedule a further TMC so that the TMC is no more than 120 days before trial.

Date for trial management conference

(1) Unless the court otherwise orders, a trial management conference must take place <u>at least 28 days and not more than 120 days</u> before the scheduled trial date, at a time and place to be fixed by a registrar.

Trial Brief - other parties of record

(3.1) Unless the court otherwise orders, each party of record, other than the plaintiff, must, <u>at least 21 days</u> before the date set for the trial management conference,

(a) file a trial brief in Form 41, and

(b) serve a copy of the filed trial brief on all other parties of record.