



SUPREME COURT *of* NOVA SCOTIA

Amendments to Civil Procedure Rules of Nova Scotia

Rule 60A – Child and Adult Protection Miscellaneous Amendments

Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2025

The Judges of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia have approved amendments to the Civil Procedure Rules of Nova Scotia, including amendments to Rule 60A – Child and Adult Protection to deal with secure-treatment proceedings in the Supreme Court (Family Division).

The changes were approved on Dec. 12, 2025, and will go into effect upon publication in the Royal Gazette on Dec. 24, 2025. The summary of amendments and new forms are available online at <https://www.courts.ns.ca/operations/rules/civil-procedure-rule-amendments>.

Staff are in the process of incorporating these amendments into the official consolidated Rules. A notice will go out to the Bar when the updated official version is available online.

The Civil Procedure Rules of Nova Scotia govern proceedings in the province's Court of Appeal and Supreme Court. They are made and amended by the Judges under the authority of the *Judicature Act*. For more information on the Rules, Practice Directives and Practice Memorandums, please visit <https://www.courts.ns.ca/operations/rules>.