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Made under section 97 of the Magistrate's Court Act—

Commencement [3rd September, 2008]

PART 1 - PRELIMINARY

1 Short title

These Rules may be cited as the Magistrate's Court (Civil) Rules.

2 Commencement

These Rules shall come into force on the date they are published in the Gazette.²

3 Application of rules

- (1) These Rules apply to every action in the Magistrate's Court that —
 - (a) is not a criminal action;
 - (b) is within the jurisdiction of the court; and
 - (c) in respect of which, and to the extent that, no other rules apply.

- (2) If a situation arises that is not covered by —

- (a) the provisions of the Magistrate's Court Act;
 - (b) these Rules; or
 - (c) any directions that a Magistrate may make concerning the case,

the corresponding rule applicable to or adopted by the Supreme Court shall apply, with any modifications that, in the opinion of the Chief Magistrate, are necessary to make them appropriate to actions in the Magistrate's Court.