STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

# 2000 No. 279

# MAGISTRATES' COURTS

## The Magistrates' Courts (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2000

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| *Made - - - -* | *26th September 2000* |
| *Coming into operation* | *2nd October 2000* |

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Article 13 of the Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**1**) and all other powers enabling him in that behalf, on the advice of the Magistrates' Courts Rules Committee and after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice, hereby makes the following Rules:

**Citation and commencement**

**1.** These Rules may be cited as the Magistrates' Courts (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2000 and shall come into operation on2nd October 2000.

**Amendment**

**2.** For Rule 156 of the Magistrates' Courts Rules (Northern Ireland) 1984(**2**), there shall be substituted the following new Rule—

"**Procedure after appeal to county court is determined**

**156.**—(1) After the county court has decided an appeal from a magistrates' court, the chief clerk for the county court division for which that county court is held, within seven days of such decision,

(a) shall certify such decision; and

(b) in any case in which the county court has determined that a right or rights of the appellant under Article 5 of the Convention were infringed by the making of the order to which the appeal relates shall so specify, at the foot of the form of appeal and shall transmit the form of appeal to the clerk of petty sessions who shall enter the details referred to in sub-paragraphs (*a*) and (*b*) as appropriate in his Order Book.

(**1**) 1981/1675 (N.I. 26)
(**2**) S.R. 1984 No. 255; to which there are no relevant amendments