

Magistrates Courts

Practice Direction No. 7 of 2008

Part heard matters at the Brisbane Magistrates Court

1. This Practice Direction is intended to assist with case management of the Brisbane Magistrates Court (hereinafter referred to as "the Court").
2. It applies to all matters which are:
 - (a.) Part heard before a particular magistrate; and
 - (b.) A party in the matter requests an adjournment from or the vacation of future hearing dates, or a change of plea in the matter ("the change of arrangements")
3. The party requesting the change of arrangements will advise the Registrar of Courts, the Brisbane Co-ordinating Magistrate and all other parties in the hearing (including non-legally represented parties) that the matter is to be listed for the purpose of determining this request.
4. The Registrar of Courts (or Brisbane Co-ordinating Magistrate) will list the matter for mention before the Magistrate who is hearing the matter to determine the issue and advise the parties of the mention date.
5. In the event that the Magistrate who is hearing the matter is not available within a reasonable time to hear the application then the matter will be listed for mention before the Brisbane Co-ordinating Magistrate or another Magistrate who will cause the Magistrate hearing the matter to be advised of the making and outcome of such application.
6. the advice may be given to the Registrar of Courts and Brisbane Co-ordinating Magistrate either by :
 - (a) email to cmoffice@justice.qld.gov.au ;
 - (b) facsimile to (07) 3220 0088; or
 - (c) post to GPO Box 1649, Brisbane Qld 4001
7. This Practice Direction will take effect on and from 29 August 2008.



Judge MP Irwin
Chief Magistrate
29 August 2008
