



BERMUDA

RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT AMENDMENT RULES 2025

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The Chief Justice, in exercise of the power conferred by section 62 of the Supreme Court Act 1905, makes the following Rules:

Citation

1 These Rules may be cited as the Rules of the Supreme Court Amendment Rules 2025.

Amends Order 18

2 The Rules of the Supreme Court 1985 are amended in Order 18 in rule 12 by inserting the following after paragraph (1)—

“(1A) Subject to paragraph (1B), in every action for personal injuries the plaintiff shall serve with the statement of claim—

- (a) a medical report; and
- (b) a statement of the special damages claimed.

(1B) Where the documents referred to in paragraph (1A) are not served with the statement of claim, the Court may—

- (a) specify the period of time within which the documents are to be served; or
- (b) make such other order as it thinks fit, including an order dispensing with the requirement to serve the documents or staying the proceedings.

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(1C) For the purposes of paragraphs (1A) and (1B)—

“medical report” means a report substantiating all the personal injuries alleged in the statement of claim which is proposed to be adduced in evidence as part of the plaintiff’s case at trial;

“statement of special damages claimed” means a statement giving full particulars of the special damages claimed for expenses and losses already incurred and an estimate of any future expenses and losses, including loss of earnings and of pension rights.”.

Commencement

3 These Rules come into operation on 1 March 2025.

Made this 17th day of February 2025

Chief Justice of Bermuda

[Operative Date: 01 March 2025]