



*Criminal Law (Mental Impairment) Act 2023 (WA)*

## **PRACTICE NOTE 3 / 2026 – APPEARANCES AND FILING DEADLINES**

### **The Mental Impairment Review Tribunal**

Section 195 of the *Criminal Law (Mental Impairment) Act 2023 (WA)* (the Act) provides that the President may from time-to-time issue, amend or revoke practice notes for regulating the practice and procedures of the Mental Impairment Review Tribunal (the Tribunal).

#### **1. Purpose**

This Practice Note sets out the requirements for confirming appearances before the Mental Impairment Review Tribunal (the Tribunal) and for the filing of written submissions for consideration by the Tribunal.

#### **2. Application**

This Practice Note applies to all parties, representatives, and any persons who seek to appear before the Tribunal or provide written submissions for the Tribunal's consideration.

#### **3. Requirement to Confirm Appearance**

Any person or representative who wishes to appear before the Tribunal at a scheduled sitting must confirm their intention to appear with Tribunal staff no later than two (2) clear days prior to the relevant Tribunal sitting day.

#### **4. Filing of Submissions**

Any written submissions intended for consideration by the Tribunal must be filed with Tribunal staff no later than two (2) clear days prior to the relevant Tribunal sitting day.

#### **5. Non-Compliance**

Failure to comply with this Practice Direction may result in:

- (a) a person not being permitted to appear at the Tribunal sitting; and/or
- (b) written submissions not being accepted or considered by the Tribunal,

unless the Tribunal is satisfied that exceptional circumstances justify non-compliance.

#### **6. Discretion of the Tribunal**

Nothing in this Practice Note limits the Tribunal's discretion to permit an appearance or accept submissions outside the timeframes specified where it considers it appropriate to do so in the interests of justice.

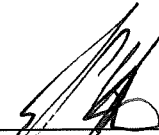


**Mental Impairment Review Tribunal  
Western Australia**

**Terms of the Practice Note**

This practice notes takes effect on and from the date of signing and shall remain in full force and effect until such time as it is revoked by further instrument in writing signed by the President.

**Signed**



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The Honourable Jeremy Curthoys  
**PRESIDENT**  
**MENTAL IMPAIRMENT REVIEW TRIBUNAL**

31 March 2026