

**ADDENDUM NOTICE**  
**SITTINGS AND VACATIONS OF THE COURT OF APPEAL AND HIGH**  
**COURT: 2025 - 2026**

As part of her ongoing commitment to support family friendly initiatives, the Lady Chief Justice has directed, on a pilot basis, that there is to be a period of one week during Hilary Term when no business, other than emergency matters, is to be listed in the Court of Appeal and the High Court.

An addendum notice<sup>1</sup> to the Sittings and Vacations of The Court of Appeal and High Court 2024/25 issued to this effect in September 2024. The pilot will continue in 2026 when it will operate on the following dates:

**Legal Year 2025/26**

Monday 9th February 2026 to

Friday 13th February 2026 inclusive

A targeted engagement exercise will be undertaken and consideration given to establishing a Hilary Term recess on a permanent basis including making adjustments to the current statutory term dates.

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<sup>1</sup> [Sittings and Vacations of the Court of Judicature 2024-25: Addendum Notice](#)