



Placer Superior Court

COVID-19 COURT SERVICES PLAN FOR CIVIL

The Placer Superior Court is developing plans for resuming services impacted by the COVID-19 State of Emergency. The COVID-19 Court Services Plan is subject to change and may be updated at any time. More detailed information and specifics on the total operational status of the court is available on the court's COVID-19 website: <http://www.placer.courts.ca.gov/general-covid-19.shtml>. Physical distancing will remain in effect and all parties and attendees must adhere to public health guidelines and orders.

****Parties may request an in-person appearance for any hearing where remote appearance is mandatory.****

Plan as of: May 15, 2020

PRIOR STATUS

Reduced operations to critical minimum functions. See details outlined in the Court's 4/8/20 notice.

Thru 5/8/20

CURRENT STATUS

Judicial holiday ends, default judgment processing resumes. Mandatory eDelivery begins for represented parties and attorneys.

Eff. 5/11/20

CURRENT STATUS

Ex parte and law and motion type hearings return, mandatory telephone appearance. Except for restraining orders, mental health, and firearms, where video appearance will be available, subject to request process.

Eff. 5/11/20

CURRENT STATUS

Civil trial conferences resume, mandatory remote appearance. Settlement conferences return, use of video technology required.

Eff. 5/22/20

PHASE 2B

Civil court trials resume (jury trials unlikely due to expected backlog of criminal trials). Small Claims hearings resume, remote strongly encouraged. Historic Courthouse reopens with potential restrictions that follow public health guidelines.

*June

***Date is contingent on status of and restrictions related to Public Health or Governor's Stay at Home Orders.**

PHASE 3

Unlawful detainer summons, trials, and writs resume. Civil jury trials resume.

*TBD

***Date is contingent on status of and restrictions related to Public Health or Governor's Stay at Home Orders and dependent on Criminal Trial Backlog.**

PHASE 4 & BEYOND

Potential return of in-person settlement conferences. Potential removal of mandatory remote appearances.

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***Date is contingent on status of and restrictions related to Public Health or Governor's Stay at Home Orders and California Emergency Rules of Court.**