

Notice of hearing of an application to suspend a [warrant/writ] of possession

This case has been listed for a **hearing of the Defendant's application to suspend a [warrant/writ] of possession** on the **[day] of [month] [year] at [time] at [address]**.

A copy of the application is attached to this notice.

You should attend this hearing. If you do not, an Order may be made in your absence. If you are unable to attend for any reason **you must** contact the Court and the other party immediately and explain the position.

You should comply with local Covid-19 safety procedures that will be in place on the day.

You may reach the Court by post or by email at [local inbox details]. Always state the case number and hearing date.

Both parties should continue to engage with each other. If agreement is reached before the date of the hearing, you should inform the Court immediately.

TO THE DEFENDANT

YOU ARE AT RISK OF LOSING YOUR HOME

It is very important you obtain legal advice before, and representation at, the hearing. You may not be able to access free legal advice and representation on the day of the hearing.

Legal aid is normally available to those on low incomes to suspend warrants/writs of possession. You can find this help here - www.gov.uk/civil-legal-advice.

You can also get free advice from:

- Shelter – visit www.shelter.org.uk or call 0808 800 4444
- Citizens Advice – visit www.citizensadvice.org.uk or call 03444 111 444
- National Debt Line – visit www.nationaldebtline.org or call 0808 808 4000

Alternatively, you can get advice that you will have to pay for from a local solicitor or from a barrister who takes instructions under the direct access scheme.

TO THE CLAIMANT

The Defendant seeks to stay in the property. If this is agreed, a hearing will not be necessary. If you reach agreement with the Defendant, inform the Court immediately.