

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT
AT MANUKAU
AUCKLAND
CHRISTCHURCH**

IN THE MATTER OF Sentencing Hearings
affecting those remanded in custody

Date of Direction: 18 September 2019

**DIRECTION OF ACTING CHIEF JUDGE
JOHN WALKER**

[1] This direction is given in respect of those sentencing matters set down for hearing at Manukau, Auckland and Christchurch, where the defendant has been remanded in custody.

[2] The purpose of this direction is to reduce delay in sentencing by ensuring, as far as possible, that the sentencing is able to proceed on the allocated date.

[3] The direction is that counsel for the defendant is to file not later than 10 working days prior to the sentencing date a memorandum certifying either that the sentencing is ready to proceed or specifying what is necessary to enable the sentencing to proceed.

[4] In the case of a Crown sentencing matter, Crown counsel is required to file a memorandum in accordance with paragraph 3 to like effect.

[5] In any case other than where the matter is certified as ready to proceed, the Registrar will forthwith send a copy of the memorandum to the Probation officer engaged in the preparation of the pre-sentence report and refer the memorandum to the sentencing Judge who shall make such further directions as the Judge sees fit.



JOHN WALKER
ACTING CHIEF DISTRICT COURT JUDGE