

## OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF JUSTICE

## NOTICE 401 OF 2019



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Directive 2/2019

**DETERMINATION OF SITTINGS OF THE SPECIFIC COURTS**

By virtue of the powers vested in me in terms of section 8 of the Superior Courts Act, 2013 (Act no 10 of 2013) (the Act) I, **Mogoeng Mogoeng**, the Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa, hereby issue the following directive:

**“In terms of section 8 (6) of the Superior Courts Act, the court terms of the Superior Courts for the period 2021 to 2027, other than the Constitutional Court, Supreme Court of Appeal and the Labour Appeal Court, shall be in accordance with the attached schedule.**

**The court terms for the Constitutional Court, Supreme Court of Appeal and Labour Appeal Court remain as contained in the Rules regulating the conduct of proceedings in those respective Courts.”**

This directive is issued and published in the *Gazette* and enjoys the majority support of the Heads of Court as required in section 8(5) of the Act.

  
**Mogoeng Mogoeng**  
Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa

**2021**

<b>TERMS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Term</b>	<b>RECESS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Recess</b>
18 Jan – 28 March	10	29 March – 11 April	2
12 April – 20 June	10	21 June – 18 July	4
19 July – 19 Sep	9	20 Sep – 3 Oct	2
4 Oct – 5 Dec	9	6 Dec – 16 Jan	6

**2022**

<b>TERMS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Term</b>	<b>RECESS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Recess</b>
17 Jan – 27 March	10	28 March – 10 April	2
11 April – 19 June	10	20 June – 17 July	4
18 July – 18 Sep	9	19 Sep – 2 Oct	2
3 Oct – 4 Dec	9	5 Dec – 15 Jan	6

**2023**

<b>TERMS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Term</b>	<b>RECESS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Recess</b>
16 Jan – 26 March	10	27 March – 9 April	2
10 April – 18 June	10	19 June – 16 July	4
17 July – 17 Sep	9	18 Sep – 1 Oct	2
2 Oct – 3 Dec	9	4 Dec – 22 Jan	7

**2024**

<b>TERMS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Term</b>	<b>RECESS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Recess</b>
22 Jan – 31 March	10	1 April – 14 April	2
15 April – 23 June	10	24 June – 21 July	4
22 July – 22 Sep	9	23 Sep – 6 Oct	2
7 Oct – 8 Dec	9	9 Dec – 19 Jan	6

**2025**

<b>TERMS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Term</b>	<b>RECESS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Recess</b>
20 Jan – 30 March	10	31 March – 13 April	2
14 April – 22 June	10	23 June – 20 July	4
21 July – 21 Sep	9	22 Sep – 5 Oct	2
6 Oct – 7 Dec	9	8 Dec – 18 Jan	6

**2026**

<b>TERM</b>	<b>No of weeks in Term</b>	<b>RECESS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Recess</b>
19 Jan – 29 March	10	30 March – 12 April	2
13 April – 21 June	10	22 June – 19 July	4
20 July – 20 Sep	9	21 Sep – 4 Oct	2
5 Oct – 6 Dec	9	7 Dec – 17 Jan	6

**2027**

<b>TERM</b>	<b>No of weeks in Term</b>	<b>RECESS</b>	<b>No of weeks in Recess</b>
18 Jan – 28 March	10	29 March – 11 April	2
12 April – 20 June	10	21 June – 18 July	4
19 July – 19 Sep	9	20 Sep – 3 Oct	2
4 Oct – 5 Dec	9	6 Dec – 16 Jan	6

**Easter:**

2021: 2 April – 5 April

2022: 15 April – 18 April

2023: 7 April – 10 April

2024: 29 March – 1 April

2025: 18 April – 21 April

2026: 3 April – 6 April

2027: 26 March – 29 March