



COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH FOR
SASKATCHEWAN

GENERAL APPLICATION PRACTICE DIRECTIVE #4

EXPEDITED PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCES

Reference: GA-PD #4

Effective: November 1, 2013

1. The Local Registrar at each judicial centre shall maintain an “expedited pre-trial conference list”. The purpose of the list is to provide litigants, including ones who have already been assigned a pre-trial conference date, to have their pre-trial conference scheduled or re-scheduled to an earlier date, in situations where the Court calendar opens up as a result of an originally scheduled matter falling through.
2. An action may be placed on the expedited pre-trial list when all of the following conditions have been met:
 - (a) the parties have complied with Queen’s Bench Rule 4-11 and the pre-trial conference in the action is either scheduled or eligible to be scheduled;
 - (b) each party has filed their pre-trial brief; and
 - (c) each party has agreed to be placed on the expedited pre-trial list.
3. The Local Registrar shall list the actions on the expedited pre-trial list in the order that they became eligible to be placed on the list. When due to cancellations or other causes, the Court’s calendar opens up, the Local Registrar will offer that date or dates to the parties in each action in the order that they have been placed on the list.
4. In the event that the parties refuse an expedited date, they shall remain on the expedited list and maintain their position in the order of priority.
5. This practice directive does not alter the continued duty of the Local Registrar to schedule pre-trial conferences pursuant to Queen’s Bench Rule 4-11(9), notwithstanding that the pre-trial briefs have not yet been filed.

Chief Justice M .D. Popescul