

## Supreme and District Courts Criminal Directions Benchbook

### Updated Notes – May 2022

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- 1. Out-of-Court Confessional Statements (direction 36)**  
Remove No. 36.1 to 36.6 and replace with No 36.1 to 36.8
- 2. Alibi (direction 41)**  
Remove No. 41.1 and replace with No. 41.1 to 41.3
- 3. Majority Verdict (direction 55)**  
Remove No. 55.1 to 55.6 and replace with No. 55.1 to 55.9
- 4. Witness Whose Evidence May Require a Special Warning (“Robinson” direction) (direction 63)**  
Remove No 63.1 to 63.4 and replace with No. 63.1 to 63.5
- 5. Direction where a defence is not raised by counsel but raised on the evidence (direction 66)**  
Remove No. 66.1 and replace with No. 66.1
- 6. Unwilled Acts (Automatism): section 21(1)(a) (direction 77)**  
Remove No. 77.1 to 77.2 and replace with No. 77.1 to No. 77.4
- 7. Accident: section 23(1)(b) (direction 78)**  
Remove No. 78.1 to 78.5 and replace with No. 78.7
- 8. Self Defence: Overview and section 271(1) (direction 94)**  
Remove No. 94.1 to 94.8 and replace with No. 94.1 to 94.5
- 9. Self Defence against unprovoked assault (direction 94A)**  
Add 94A.1 to 94A.6
- 10. Self Defence against unprovoked assault when there is death or GBH (direction 95)**  
Remove No 95.1 to 95.6 and replace with 95.1 to 95.7
- 11. Self-defence against provoked assault, when death or grievous bodily harm occurs (direction 96)**  
Remove No. 96.1 to No. 96.6 and replace with 96.1 to 96.11
- 12. Fraud: section 408C (direction 138)**  
Remove No. 138.1 to 138.7 and replace with No. 138.1 to 138.7