



NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION

The Registrar of Probates has authorised the issue of the following notice.

Launch of RedCrest-Probate - 1 July 2020

On 17 December 2019, the Court announced the launch of RedCrest-Probate from 15 April 2020. As a result of the rapidly evolving COVID-19 pandemic, the Court on 30 March 2020 postponed the launch of RedCrest-Probate indefinitely.

The Supreme Court has undergone enormous changes in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and is now in a position to launch RedCrest-Probate effective from 1 July 2020. From that date all applications and dealings with the Probate Office must be filed online.

RedCrest-Probate will enable the electronic filing of all applications for probate and administration under the Probate Rules. All grants issued after 1 July 2020 will be issued electronically, with paper applications no longer accepted.

To ensure a smooth transition to RedCrest-Probate, paper applications which are currently posted to the Probate Office must be dispatched and post marked on or before 15 June 2020. Applications post marked after 15 June 2020, or received by the Court after 1 July 2020, will be returned to practitioners and must be filed online after 1 July 2020. If an urgent application needs to be filed between 15 June and 30 June 2020, arrangements will need to be made with the Probate Office.

The Court has conducted information sessions covering all aspects of RedCrest-Probate. Practitioners who were unable to attend a session and regularly file applications can [view a RedCrest-Probate information session](#) on the Supreme Court's website. Topics covered in the video include an introduction to RedCrest-Probate, registration and how to lodge and manage documents.

Registration for RedCrest-Probate will be available from 1 July 2020.

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