

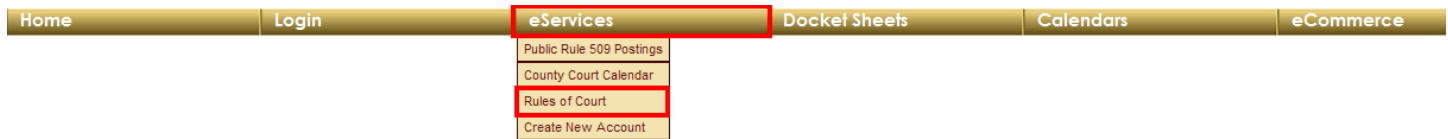
# Quick Reference Guide to Rules of Court

## What is the Rules of Court function?

The Rules of Court function provides access to search, view and print active Rules of Court. This site is currently limited to the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure and some associated local criminal procedural rules as well as Pennsylvania Rules of Juvenile Court Procedure, and local rules of civil procedure mandated by Rules of Civil Procedure 239.1 et seq.

## How do I find Rules of Court?

To access Rules of Court, click on the Additional Services icon on the main page, or roll your mouse over the eServices link in the Navigation Bar, then click on **Rules of Court**. The Rules Selection page opens.



Rules can be searched by rule number, judicial district or county, published or effective dates and rule title or text. Enter criteria in the text boxes or select them from the dropdown lists. There are no required fields, but entering as much information as possible will help narrow the results of the search.

After entering criteria, click SEARCH.

PA Rule Number:  (Examples: 208, 208.3)

Local Rule Number:  (Examples: 208, 208.3, 208.3(a))

Date Published:  through

Effective Date:  through

Rule Title:

Rule Text:

Judicial District:

County:

Rule Status:

Rule Type:

If no rules match the criteria entered, the No Results Found message will display below the criteria fields. Change the criteria to try the search again.

No results found

If rules are found, a grid will populate with the results below the criteria fields. The grid displays the Rule Number, Rule Title, District County Name and Adopted and Effective Dates.

Rule Number	Rule Title	District County Name	Adopted Date	Effective Date
<input type="checkbox"/> 208.4(c)	APPLICATIONS DESIGNATED TO PROCEED AS PETITIONS -- RULES TO SHOW CAUSE	Dauphin	10/07/2005	03/13/2007
<input type="checkbox"/> 208.3(a)	MOTION PROCEDURE	Dauphin		03/13/2007
<input type="checkbox"/> 208.3(b)	Contested Motions	Dauphin		03/13/2007

If more than ten records are found, links will be available below the grid to jump to a different page or navigate to the first, previous, next or last pages.

[First](#) [Previous](#) [1](#) [2](#) [3](#) [4](#) [5](#) [Next](#) [Last](#)

## How do I view the Rules of Court?

Each rule has a corresponding checkbox in the grid.

Rule Number	
<input type="checkbox"/>	206.4(c) APPLICATIONS DESIGNATE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	208.3(a) MOTION PROCEDURE

Selecting the checkbox for one or more rules enables the functions below the grid. Also, Select All and Deselect All can be used to mark or unmark all checkboxes in the grid.

[View Selected Rules](#)   [Print Selected Rules](#)   [Select All](#)   [Deselect All](#)

To view the selected rules, click **View Selected Rules**. The first selected rule opens in the browser. The information is displayed in six sections:

1. The Selected Rules dropdown – Displays the rule title and is used to navigate to other rules that were selected in the search.
2. The corresponding State rule title.
3. The Print dropdown – Provides printing options.
4. Rule Text – The actual content of the rule.
5. Rule Commentary – Displays below the Rule Text (not shown below).
6. Dates – Any dates applicable to the rule such as adoption, effective and amended dates display below the Rule Text and Rule Commentary, if applicable (not shown below).

Selected Rules: **Dauphin - 208.3(a) MOTION PROCEDURE** [New Search](#)

**208.3 Alternative Procedures.**

The dropdown below provides print options.

**Print This Section** **Print**

**208.3(a) MOTION PROCEDURE**  
Cite Rule As:

RULE 208.3(a) MOTION PROCEDURE (1) General Procedure. (a) Motions are defined in Pa.R.C.P. 208.1. All motions not covered by subsection (a)(3) shall be deemed uncontested motions. (b) In addition to the requirements regarding the content of a motion found in Pa.R.C.P. 208.2, Dauphin County Local Rules 208.2(c)

If more than one rule was selected in the search grid, use the Selected Rules dropdown to view another rule. This is useful to confirm the desired rule prior to printing.

Selected Rules: **Dauphin - 206.4(c) APPLICATIONS DESIGNATED TO PROCEED AS PETITIONS -- RULES TO SHOW CAUSE** [New Search](#)

Dauphin - 206.4(c) APPLICATIONS DESIGNATED TO PROCEED AS PETITIONS -- RULES TO SHOW CAUSE

Dauphin - 208.3(a) MOTION PROCEDURE

Dauphin - 208.3(b) Contested Motions

To begin a new search for a rule, click **New Search** next to the Selected Rules dropdown.

## How do I print a Rule of Court?

Rules of Court selected in the search results grid can be printed directly by clicking **Print Selected Rules**. This is useful for printing all selected rules at one time.

[View Selected Rules](#)

**Print Selected Rules**

[Select All](#)

[Deselect All](#)

Also, when viewing a rule, the Print dropdown can be used to print. Select whether to print the currently selected rule or the entire rule from the dropdown. For example, if Local Rule 205.2 (a) is displayed, selecting Print Entire Rule will print the Rule Text for Local Rule 205.2(a) and 205.2 (d).

**Print This Section** **Print**

Print This Section

Print Entire Rule

After making the selection in the dropdown, click **PRINT**.

The rules open in a new window. To print the rules displayed, go to File in the browser menu, then click Print. You may also have a printer shortcut icon in your toolbar which can be used instead. Use the Print window that opens to select your printer and printer preferences prior to printing.

