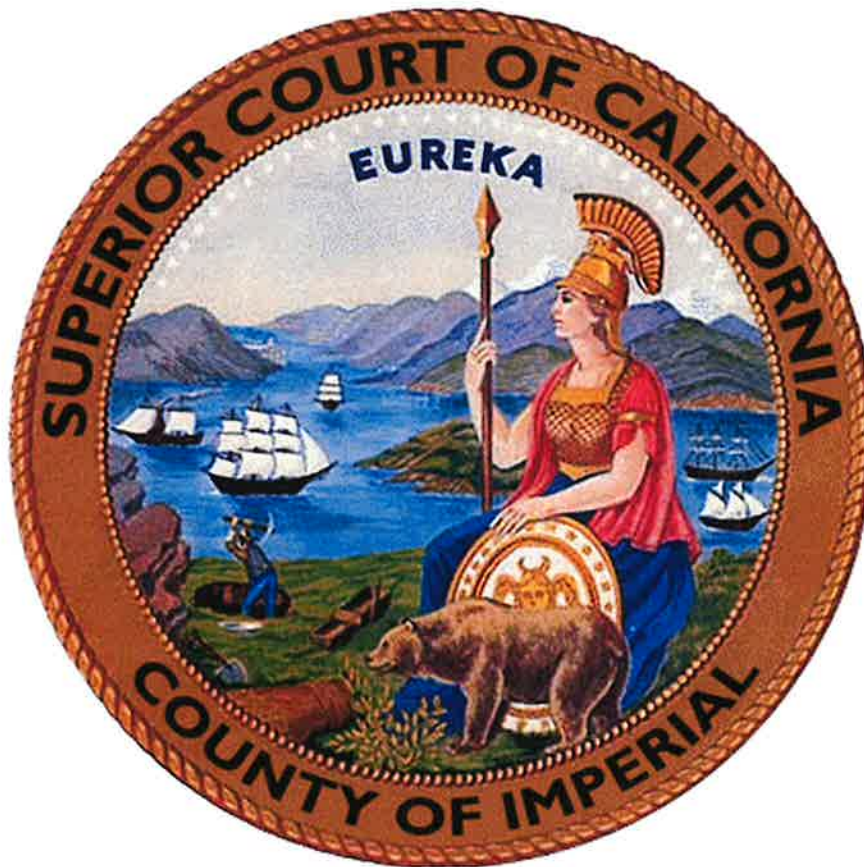


Superior Court of California
County of Imperial

Local Rules

Adopted, Effective January 1, 2026



The following Rules of Court for the Superior Court, County of Imperial, are proposed to be adopted January 1, 2026, by the Superior Court, County of Imperial.

These proposed Rules of Court are subject to a 45-day comment period which begins on September 19, and ends on November 2, 2025.

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Chapter 1

Preliminary Rules

Rule 1.0 Effective Date

These rules shall take effect on **01/01/26**.

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Chapter 4

Criminal Rules

Division 1

Misdemeanor and Felony

Rule 4.1.10 Misdemeanor Warrant Procedure

- (a) Warrants for the arrest of defendants in misdemeanor cases will expire ~~one~~ **(1)-year three (3) years** from the date issued. Expired warrants shall be considered invalid and unenforceable.
- (b) Upon expiration of the warrant, the warrant shall be deemed recalled and the court will calendar the matter for hearing, and issue notice to the prosecuting agency:
 - (1) that the arrest warrant has expired, and that;
 - (2) The prosecuting agency is Ordered to Appear and to Show Cause why the underlying criminal action should not be dismissed or probation terminated.
 - (3) Upon a showing of Good Cause the Court may reissue the warrant of arrest.

[Rule 4.11 adopted July 2008, Rule 4.11 is renumbered to rule 4.1.10 01/01/12, subd (a) amended 01/01/15, subd (b)(d) repealed 01/01/15, subd (c) renumbered to subd (b) and amended 01/01/15, 01/01/16, **01/01/26**]

Rule 4.1.10.02 Purge of Active Misdemeanor Warrants with No Expiration Date

Active Misdemeanor Warrants more than ~~365 days~~ **3 years** from the date of issue will be subject to bulk Order to Show Cause Notice pursuant to the procedure in Local Rule 4.1.10(b). The warrants shall be deemed recalled and the court will provide a bulk Notice to the Imperial County District Attorney of the warrants, grouped by year. The underlying cases will be dismissed unless Good Cause is shown for reissuance.

[Adopted January 1, 2016, **amended 01/01/26**]