

S.I. 21 of 2024

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE CODE

*(Cap. 54)***Jurors (Scale of Allowances) Rules, 2024**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 279(2), Part VIII of the Criminal Procedure Code of Seychelles, the Chief Justice hereby makes the following Rules:

1. These Rules may be cited as the Jurors (Scale of Allowances) Rules, 2024.
2. The expenses and allowances set out in the Schedule hereto shall be paid where applicable to jurors summoned to attend trial in any court in Seychelles.
3. Government servants and teachers employed by the Government or whose salaries are paid from public funds shall not receive any allowance for attendance as jurors in a criminal case.
4. A juror summoned to appear in a court in an island other than that in which he resides shall be entitled to the appropriate allowance for attendance for each day on which he is necessarily absent from the island in which he resides for the purpose of attending court in answer to the summons.

THE SCHEDULE

1. The classes of persons who are ineligible to be jurors are as listed in section 227 of the Criminal Procedure Code as follows —
 - a. The President;
 - b. Members of the Council of Ministers and the National Assembly;
 - c. Judges, registrars, magistrates and officers of the courts;

- d. Members of the Seychelles Peoples Defence Force on continuous full time service in terms of the Defence Act;
 - e. Members of the police force and prison officers;
 - f. Persons actually officiating as priests or ministers of their respective religions;
 - g. Notaries, barristers and attorneys-at-law actually practicing and their clerks;
 - h. Registered medical practitioners and dentists;
 - i. Registered pharmacists and midwives;
 - j. Masters actually in command of vessels; and
 - k. Persons who have suffered imprisonment in any part of the Commonwealth and have not received a free pardon.
2. Persons who are eligible to be jurors shall be entitled —
- (a) for attendance at trial, to SCR 250 per day or part of a day; and
 - (b) for travelling (by air and sea), and lodging expenses as provided for in rule 4 above, upon presentation of receipts or other documentation in proof of expenses incurred to the Registrar of the Supreme Court.
3. These Rules shall be deemed to come into effect on the 1st day of May, 2022.
4. The Jurors (Travelling and Subsistence) Rules, (S.I. 37 of 1982) is hereby repealed.

Made this 26th day of February, 2024.

**RONY JAMES GOVINDEN
CHIEF JUSTICE**
