

Supreme Court of Queensland Regulation 2025

Explanatory notes for SL 2025 No. 102

Made under the

Supreme Court of Queensland Act 1991

General Outline

Supreme Court of Queensland Regulation 2025

Authorising law

Section 92 of the *Supreme Court of Queensland Act 1991*

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The *Supreme Court of Queensland Regulation 2012* (SCQ 2012 Regulation) currently prescribes the Supreme Court districts for the purposes of section 57 of the *Supreme Court of Queensland Act 1991* (the Act). For example, the Brisbane Supreme Court district includes the Magistrate Court districts of Beaudesert, Beenleigh, Brisbane, Caboolture, Cleveland, Gold Coast, Gympie, Ipswich, Kingaroy, Maroochydore and Redcliffe.

The SCQ 2012 Regulation will automatically expire on 31 August 2025, pursuant to section 54(2) of the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992*.

The Department of Justice undertook a sunset review ahead of the expiry of the SCQ 2012 Regulation and determined it is necessary to retain each of the existing provisions.

The *Supreme Court of Queensland Regulation 2025* (SCQ 2025 Regulation) replaces the existing SCQ 2012 Regulation and continues to provide for the effective and undisturbed operationalisation of Supreme Court districts.

The SCQ 2025 Regulation commences on notification on the Queensland Legislation website.

Achievement of policy objectives

The SCQ 2025 Regulation remakes and replaces the existing SCQ 2012 Regulation.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The SCQ 2025 Regulation is consistent with the policy objectives of the Act.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

The SCQ 2025 Regulation is not inconsistent with the policy objectives of other legislation.

Benefits and costs of implementation

The SCQ 2025 Regulation will promote the efficient administration of justice by ensuring that proceedings are started in the appropriate court district.

There are no implementation costs associated with the SCQ 2025 Regulation.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The SCQ 2025 Regulation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

Relevant Heads of Jurisdiction were consulted as part of the sunset review of the SCQ 2012 Regulation. No concerns from an operational perspective were raised with remaking the SCQ 2012 Regulation in its current form.

An Impact Analysis Statement (IAS) was prepared as part of the sunset review of the SCQ 2012 Regulation. The IAS concluded that, as the proposal relates to the districts of the Supreme Court of Queensland and the administration of courts, no regulatory impact analysis is required.