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Amendment to the General Medical Council (Fitness to Practise) Rules 2004 (The Rules)

On 30 November, some amendments were made to the Rules. These were made through [The General Medical Council \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Order of Council 2017](#) and were mainly to make some minor amendments to some of the Rules - no substantive changes affecting how hearings are to be conducted have been made. However, please note the changes to Rule 28 and Rule 20 in relation to the service of the Notice of Hearing in review and non-compliance hearings.

The revised version of the Rules has been updated on the GMC [website](#) and current versions will be placed in the hearing rooms. Please ensure that you use this version for all hearings with immediate effect.

Please [contact us](#) if you have any questions.

Kind regards

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