

NOTIFICATION BY THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD
(For insertion in the Gujarat Government Gazette, Part-IV-C)

No. C-2002/93

The Honourable the Chief Justice and Judges of this High Court have been pleased to make the following amendments in 'The Gujarat High Court Rules, 1993' :-

1.Short title and commencement :-

- (1) These rules shall be called "The Gujarat High Court (Amendment) Rules, 2012".(No.5 of 2012)
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Insert the following as Rule 31-A in Chapter-IV of the 'The Gujarat High Court Rules, 1993' :-

"31-A Norms for Presentation of proceedings in person by parties.-

1. A Committee of two Officers of the Registry, who are working on deputation from the State Judicial Service, to be nominated by the Honourable the Chief Justice, shall scrutinies the matter / proceedings filed by Party-in-Person so as to ensure that the Party-in-Person has complied with the requirements of the Gujarat High Court Rules, 1993, and shall certify that the Party-in-Person is 'Competent' to assist the Court in person.
2. In case of a Party, who wishes to defend his matter / proceedings in person as respondent / opponent, the above Committee shall ensure and certify that such person is 'Competent' to assist the Court in person.
3. (a) If the certificate is not issued in both the cases mentioned at Norm No. (1) and (2) and the party-in-person is lawfully entitled to be referred to the High Court Legal Services Committee in accordance with law, the same will be referred to the Committee for offering legal services to the concerned litigant.

(b) If the concerned litigant is not entitled under law to get assistance of Legal Services Committee, he will be asked to appoint a lawyer to represent his case.

4. The Party-in-Person shall give an Undertaking that he shall maintain decorum of the Court and shall not use objectionable and unparliamentary language during the course of hearing in the Court.

4(A) These Rules will not apply, if the concerned Court before whom the concerned litigant wants to move the matter, permits such litigant to appear in person.

Provided further that these norms will not apply in cases of applications for temporary bail, parole, furlough and habeas corpus.

¹[Provided further that this Rule will not apply to an Advocate having registration of the Bar Council, who intends to appear in person.]

5. The Party-in-Person shall file his matter/ proceedings with the leave of this Honourable Court by filing an application in this behalf.

6. If the Party-in-Person fails to abide by his Undertaking as above, Contempt Proceedings may be initiated against him or/and appropriate costs be imposed on him.”

**High Court of Gujarat at Sola,
Ahmedabad – 380 060.**

Date : 20.12.2012

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REGISTRAR GENERAL**

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**High Court of Gujarat at Sola,
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Date : 21.12.2012

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