

**Rules Committee Schedule for Rules and Forms Proposals
Requiring Circulation for Comment
Effective July 1 and January 1**

Below is the generic schedule for changes to California Rules of Court, Judicial Council forms, and Standards of Judicial Administration. The primary, year-long cycle has an effective date of January 1. A shorter, urgent cycle with a July 1 effective date is available for proposals meeting certain criteria, such as when a change is urgently needed to conform to recent changes in the law.

Effective Date of Rules, Standards, Forms	July 1	January 1
Rules Committee Meeting to Approve Proposals to Circulate for Comment	December	April
Comment Period	December–January	April–May
Rules Committee Meeting to Consider Reports Going to the Council	March	August/September
Judicial Council Meeting	April	October