

### Important notes for respondents

You have been served with a copy of an appeal notice.

If the notice includes an application for permission to appeal, you will receive from the appellant a date and time for the case management hearing or the date and time for the hearing of any such application. If you do not receive the same within 10 days of receipt of these documents you should contact the Courts Office.

If permission is given, you will only have a limited time in which to reply to the appeal. You must decide what to do quickly.

You can:

- also appeal against the same order; or
- ask for the order to be varied; or
- ask that the order be upheld by the appeal court for different or additional reasons than those given by the lower court or tribunal who made the order being appealed; or
- ask that the order be upheld for the same reasons relied on by the lower court or tribunal; or
- do nothing

If you wish to appeal, vary or uphold the order being appealed for different or additional reasons, you will need to complete a respondent's appeal notice (form HC12) and take or send it to the Courts Office. You have a very limited time to do this.

This form and notes for guidance for completing it can be obtained free from the Courts Office, Isle of Man Courts of Justice, Deemsters Walk, Bucks Road, Douglas Isle of Man IM1 3AR.

You may also complete an appeal notice if you simply wish to ask the appeal court to uphold the order for the reasons given in the lower court or tribunal but have additional arguments to make to the appeal court.

If you do not complete an appeal notice, you will not be able to rely on any additional arguments at the hearing of the appeal which were not raised in the lower court unless the court gives you permission.