

Yoahtl Code of Court Procedure

RULE 1.010. SCOPE AND TITLE OF RULES

These rules apply to all actions of a civil and criminal nature and all appellate proceedings in the courts of Yoahtl. The form, content, procedure, and time for pleading in all appellate proceedings shall be as prescribed by the High Justice governing the proceeding unless these rules specifically provide to the contrary. These rules shall be construed to secure the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action. These rules shall be known as the State of Yoahtl-Rules of Court Procedure and abbreviated as SoY.RCP.

RULE 1.020. WHEN ACTION COMMENCED

Every action of a court nature shall be deemed commenced when the complaint or petition is filed.

RULE 1.030. CHOICE OF FORUM

(a) Grounds for Dismissal. An action may be dismissed on the ground that a satisfactory remedy may be more conveniently sought in a method other than the court system when:

- (1) the trial court finds that an adequate alternative forum exists which possesses jurisdiction over the whole case, including all of the parties;
- (2) the trial court finds that all relevant factors of private interest favor the alternate forum, weighing in the balance a strong presumption against disturbing plaintiff's initial forum choice;
- (3) if the balance of private interests is at or near equipoise, the court further finds that factors of public interest tip the balance in favor of trial in the alternate forum; and
- (4) the trial judge ensures that plaintiffs can reinstate their suit in the alternate forum without undue inconvenience or prejudice.
- (5) the High Justice Rules that the action is frivolous and has no merit to stand with the legal system; or precedence has been set and may not necessitate a trial.
- (6) on any grounds of potential conflict of interest.

RULE 1.040. TRIAL PROCESS

(A) TRIAL REQUEST

The plaintiff must submit a request to the trial channel in discord.

(1) Stipulations

- (a) IF the plaintiff does not wish or is not allowed to be in the discord as determined by the Yoahtl Ololtic or Alcuahtl then a special procedure trial will be created in the Yoahtl subreddit that abides by Soy.RCP RULE 1.040.

(b) The court will only hear one case at a time, if a trial is currently in session then the plaintiff must wait until the ongoing proceeding is closed.

(B) TRIAL ACCEPTANCE

(1) The High Justice will then appoint a Judge to preside over the action filed by the plaintiff as stipulated by The Second Yoachtlan National Charter §VI.3. and finding no part of Soy.RCP RULE 1.030. applies.

(C) COURT PROCEDURE

- (1) The presiding judge will call on each side to present an opening statement with the prosecution proceeding first and the defense then submitting a plea in regard to the plaintiff's statement either pleading in guilt or non-guilt
- (2) The judge will call on the prosecution to present witnesses and evidence supporting their complaint.
- (3) The judge will ensure the prosecution has closed primary testimony and then allow the defense to present witnesses and evidence supporting their defense.
- (4) The judge will ensure the defense has closed with its testimony
- (5) If necessitated to provide a fair and accurate ruling the judge will then allow for cross-examination by each the plaintiff and defendant.
- (6) After the period of cross-examination the judge will then allow for the plaintiff and defendant to submit any additional facts that may be deemed necessary to the court
- (7) The judge will then hear the closing statements of the plaintiff followed by the defendant.
- (8) The judge will then close proceedings and issue a final ruling based in law and candor.

(D) COURT RECORDS

- (1) The High Justice will record the relevant information of any trial heard before the court.
- (2) The High Justice will maintain the records of the court and allow for any public access if requested

RULE 1.050. APPELLATE COURT

(A) COURT OF APPEALS

Any person desiring to perpetuate the complaint on the belief of an unsatisfactory, unfair, and unlawful final ruling of a presiding judge of an accepted complaint brought forth to the Yoachtlan Court System may request an appeal in the Appellate Court of Yoachtlan.

(1)The plaintiff of any appeal must submit an appeal request within 48 hours of the final ruling of the judge.

(2) The High Justice must accept the appeal request within 14 days of the appeal request otherwise the final ruling will stand.

(B) PROCEDURE OF THE APPELLATE COURT

(1) An appeal with reason for appealing the court decision must be submitted to the Trial channel or the subreddit in the case of special hearings as prescribed by Soy.RCP RULE 1.040 and RULE 1.050.

(2) The High Justice of Yoahltl will then allow the action or dismiss it

(a) If the appeal is denied the High Justice will provide the reason the appeal was dismissed and issue a statement on how the final ruling of the presiding judge is upheld.

(3) The High Justice will call on the plaintiff to reiterate the appeal complaint and provide

additional evidence and witnesses for the appeals process.

(4) The High Justice will call the appeal defendant and any witnesses or evidence to issue ‘

any statements necessary for the court's decision.

(5) The High Justice will issue a recommendation based upon the decision presiding judge of the initial Case.

RULE 1.060. MODIFYING THE SoY.RCP

(1) The High Justice may add or change any rules to this procedure to ensure the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action.

(2) The rules may not be changed or updated while a case is proceeding in the court system.

(3) IF the rules are updated or changed during an ongoing trial the rules that were in place at the start of the trial will be the rules used in the proceedings of the court.

