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Many draft orders are presented to the County Court at Central London as consent orders/agreed orders/proposed orders in the form set out on the justice.gov website: if you are so inclined, see for example [Standard order for directions \(justice.gov.uk\)](https://www.justice.gov.uk/courts/procedure-rules/civil/forms/standard_order_for_directions) and have a look at the MT CCMC directions

Not only are these out of date, they do not accord with our standard directions or the way in which we list cases at Central London

1. We have standard CCMC directions for B&P cases which can be used, suitably adapted, in all other cases – our standard directions on triage say so and refer them to the standard form, and I would suggest that, suitably adapted, they should be used in all cases – a copy can be [found by clicking here](#).
2. When we triage, we allocate to track – but still parties provide CCMC orders directing an allocation to track, which is not required (as it has already been done, save in some exceptional cases)
3. We should be encouraging ADR by using our standard directions which include reference to the CEDR scheme (and in B&P cases, the Advocate/ChBA scheme as well)
4. We do not list for trial by parties providing their dates to avoid – our standard directions are that we list trials and PTRs by telephone listing appointment
5. We PTR all multi-track cases, and at the discretion of the judge, it might be with a direction that if parties are all represented and certify appropriately, the PTR can be vacated
6. We have a standard direction about evidence being given in a language other than English – whilst it is really a reminder about the requirements and what the parties should be doing anyway, we use it because cases are too often being adjourned or delayed because of witness statement issues
7. Our directions have a choice for emailing in skeleton arguments, namely CJSKEL for cases in front of CJs and DJSKEL for DJs – the one which does not apply should be deleted or parties end up emailing to both unnecessarily
8. Our directions correctly refer to trial bundles needing to comply with the requirements of CPR Practice Direction 32, para.27 – but parties still refer to PD39A, which was removed from the CPR on 6 April 2019 – we have therefore just past the fourth anniversary of its removal so there is no reason for anyone still to be referring to it
9. Business Lease Renewal cases are a different kettle of fish – directions should be given to PTR stage only using BLR standard forms depending on which type of BLR it is – District Judge Revere has taken over from District Judge Lightman as the judge with oversight for our BLRs and relevant directions

Kind regards

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His Honour Judge Monty KC

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