

Rule 1. Scope and Purpose

These rules govern the procedure in summary proceedings for possession brought in the Landlord and Tenant Branch. When a case brought in the Landlord and Tenant Branch is certified to the Civil Actions Branch under Rule 6, the case remains subject to these rules except as provided for in Rule 13-I. When a case brought in the Landlord and Tenant Branch is certified to the Civil Actions Branch under Rule 5(c), the case is subject in all respects to the Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.

These rules may be known as the Superior Court Rules of Procedure for the Landlord and Tenant Branch and may be cited as "Super. Ct. L&T R. ____." They should be construed, administered, and employed by the court and the parties to secure the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action and proceeding.