

STATE OF VERMONT
VERMONT SUPREME COURT
JANUARY TERM, 2026

Order Promulgating Amendments to Rule 11(f) of the 2020 Vermont Rules for Electronic Filing

Pursuant to the Vermont Constitution, Chapter II, § 37, and 12 V.S.A. § 1, it is hereby ordered:

1. That Rule 11(f) of the 2020 Vermont Rules for Electronic Filing be amended as follows (new matter underlined; deleted matter struck through):

RULE 11. SERVICE

(f) **Notice of Court Orders and Documents.** The court will transmit any notice, order, or other document issued by the court to electronic filers and by electronic means. ~~Notice to parties who are not electronic filers will be provided by mail or electronic means the means specified in the applicable rules of procedure for circumstances where these rules specify no alternative means.~~

Reporter's Notes—2026 Amendment

Rule 11(f) is amended to conform to current practice. When first enacted, Rule 11(f) indicated that all electronic filers would receive transmission of court notices, orders, and other documents through electronic means. Due to technical constraints, the automated electronic notice through the case-management system is available only for attorneys and not for self-represented litigants who choose to electronically file. In general, courts send official notices of court orders, calendars, and other documents to self-represented litigants using regular mail. To alleviate confusion and provide flexibility, the subdivision is amended to simply indicate that the court will transmit notices and orders to all parties and that the method may vary.

2. That this amendment be prescribed and promulgated, effective on **July 1, 2026**. The Reporter's Notes are advisory.

3. That the Chief Justice is authorized to report these amendments to the General Assembly in accordance with the provisions of 12 V.S.A. § 1, as amended.

Dated in Chambers at Montpelier, Vermont, this 6th day of January, 2026.



Signed by the Vermont Supreme Court

Paul L. Reiber, Chief Justice

Harold E. Eaton, Jr., Associate Justice

Nancy J. Waples, Associate Justice