

KING COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CLERK'S OFFICE

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CLERK'S ALERT

Notice Regarding FIFA World Cup Match Day June 15

Summary:

Several FIFA World Cup matches will take place in Seattle in June and July. The King County Courthouse (KCCH) is located immediately outside the perimeter of the stadium "Red Zone," which will be subject to major traffic restrictions. On match days, there may be significant travel delays. The first game is scheduled for noon on Monday, June 15.

Criminal Calendars

- KCCH (Seattle): All criminal calendars running normal business hours. Recessing in-person jury trials on game days will be at the discretion of the trial judge.
- MRJC (Kent): All criminal calendars running normal business hours. Recessing in-person jury trials on game days will be at the discretion of the trial judge.

Ex Parte & CPO Calendar Impacts

- Some in-person Ex Parte calendars are cancelled or reduced during match days.
- Petitions for temporary CPOs may be heard in-person; however, remote participation is **strongly encouraged**.

Family Law & CPO Calendar Impacts for Monday June 15

- Hearings will proceed, but many KCCH commissioners will sit in alternate courtrooms at CCFJC or MRJC (check the online calendar for the physical location of your hearing). This should not impact party participation due to anticipation for remote-only appearances.
- Remote participation is **strongly encouraged** on June 15. Family Law Commissioners and court staff are prepared for remote-only hearings.

Facilitator Services

- **KCCH Facilitator Office:** Virtual assistance only on June 15; open regular hours (9–12) on non-game days.
- **Kent Facilitator Office:** Open regular hours every day.

General Notes

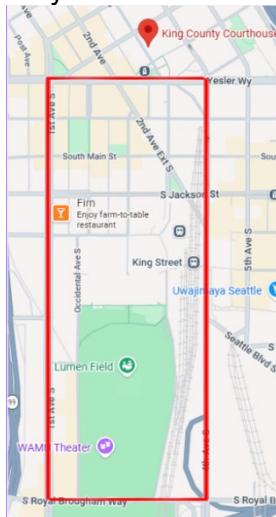
- The court remains operational.
- Trials will be set as virtual or in person at the discretion of the individual calendar (IC) judge. Please contact your trial judge's bailiff if you are unsure of the status of a trial set for Monday, June 15.
- Additional updates will be provided as more information becomes available.

Clerk's Office

- The Clerk's Office will be open in-person, regular hours, at the KCCH, CCFJC, and MRJC.

Stadium Red Zone

The red zone will extend from 1st Ave S to 4th Ave S and from Royal Brougham Way to Yesler Way.



Match Dates Affecting KCCH

- Monday, June 15 – 12:00 p.m.
- Friday, June 19 – 12:00 p.m. (**Juneteenth Holiday – Court Closed**)
- Wednesday, June 24 – 12:00 p.m.
- Friday, June 26 – 8:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, July 1 – 1:00 p.m.
- Monday, July 6 – 5:00 p.m.

KCCH Access Impacts

- Street closures begin four hours before kickoff and extend until approximately three hours after the match.
- KCCH is immediately outside the perimeter of the Red Zone, where no vehicle access or parking is permitted.
- All commuter traffic - including buses - will be diverted, and all parking garages and lots will be closed.
- Ride-share/taxi pickups or drop-offs are not allowed inside the restricted area.
- Expect major congestion and delays around the courthouse.

Questions

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