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SOP ON FORM OF SUMMON PROCESS OF RECEIVING SUCH
SUMMONS FROM COURT AND ITS REPOSITORY

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Every summons issued by a court in BNSS should be:

- In writing, in duplicate, signed by the presiding officer of such court or The High court may order by rule any other officer to issue summons. Every summons issued by the court shall bear the seal of the court.
- A summon which is issued in an encrypted mode or any other form of electronic communication shall bear the image of the seal or digital signature of the concerned court.
- The police officer shall ascertain genuineness of the identity of a person to whom the summon purported to be issued by a court to serve him in electronic mode.
- The police officer shall communicate with a person to whom a summon purporting to be sent to the witness/accused through Mobile phone or any other electronic communication address which is available and shall be deemed to be correct unless and until the contrary is proved. Otherwise summons shall be served in ordinary course, such as by Registered Post or summons served personally.
- Where a summon sent in an encrypted mode (which is especially in the knowledge of a person who sent and the person

who received a particular summons (Ex. WhatsApp and Telegram etc) or

- Where a summon sent in any other form of electronic communication (Ex via SMS, MMS and E-mail etc).
- A summon which was sent through encrypted mode or any other electronic communication mode could be in a repository position in a storage of the respective app of a particular persons electronic device/s.

The Police officer shall collect the acknowledgement of receiving of a summon which was sent by electronic means/communication and shall collect the hard copy of the same and attest it in a proper manner with his designation and seal and file with the report in a court of law.


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