

DISTRICT AND SESSIONS COURT, PUNE.

CIRCULAR

No.Gen./ 5318/2025

Date : 21st August, 2025

To :

All the Advocate Bar Associations, in Pune District.

Subject : Adherence to the provisions of Rule 636 Chapter XXXII of Civil Manual issued by the Hon'ble High Court Judicature Bombay dealing with Dress Code for Male and Female Advocates, by a section of Male and Female Advocates practicing in the Courts of Judicial District, Pune.

Reference : Letter dated 14/07/2025 received from Adv. T.K. Swaminathan, Pimpri, Pune.

As per the provisions of Rule 636 Chapter XXXII of Civil Manual, following Dress Code is provided :-

Advocates appearing in the District Court and Sub-ordinate Courts, at Pune district, shall wear the following part of their dress which shall be sober and dignified :-

I. Advocates :-

- (a) a black buttoned up coat, chapkan, achkan, black sherwani and white bands with Advocates' Gowns.
- (b) a black open breast coat, white shirt, white collar, stiff or soft, and white bands with Advocates' Gowns. In other case wear long trousers (white, black or black stripped or grey) or Dhoti excluding Jeans :-

Provide further that in Courts other than The Supreme Court, High Court, District Court, Sessions Court or City Civil Court, a black tie may be worn instead of bands.

II. Lady Advocates :-

Lady Advocates may wear either the dress prescribed sub-rule (b) or the following:-

- (a) black and full or half sleeve jacket or blouse, white collar, stiff or soft, with white bands with Advocates' Gowns. White blouse with or without collar, with white bands with a black open breasted coat.

OR

- (b) Sarees or long skirts (white or black or any mellow or subbued colour without any print or design) or flare (white, black or blacks stripped or gray) or punjabi dress, churidar kurta or salwar kurta with or without dupatta (white or black) or traditional dress with black coat and bands.
- III. Wearing of advocates gowns shall be optional except when appearing in a Supreme Court or in a High Court.
- IV. Except in Supreme Court and High Courts during summer, wearing a black coat is not mandatory.

Classification :-

(1) So far as the courts other than Supreme Court and High Courts are concerned during summer while wearing black coat is not mandatory, the advocates may appear in white shirts with white, black or stripped or gray pant with black tie or band and collar.

The period of 15th March to 30th June every year to the considered as summer months for the dress code of advocates for summer.

All the Bar Associations and Advocates in Pune District are, therefore, requested to take note of this circular and follow the same scrupulously.



(Mahendra K.Mahajan)
Principal District and Sessions Judge,
Pune.

Encl :- As above.

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- ✓(1) The President, Pune District and all Taluka Advocate Bar Association, District Pune.
- (2) All the branches of District and Sessions Court, Pune, and Taluka Courts in Pune district.
- (3) Notice Boards of all Courts in Pune District.
- ✓(4) Computer Section for uploading on the official website of the District Court.