

REGION 8 - MAINE ECOURTS DEPLOYMENT

The next implementation of Maine eCourts and eFiling is Judicial Region 8 (Aroostook County) on Monday, June 1, 2026. All case types – civil, family, juvenile, and criminal cases – will be included. Region 8 includes all of the following:

- Aroostook County Unified Criminal Docket (UCD)
- Aroostook County Superior Court - Caribou
- Aroostook County Superior Court - Houlton
- Caribou District Court
- Fort Kent District Court
- Houlton District Court
- Presque Isle District Court

In order for court staff to prepare for the go-live, **Region 8 courts will be intermittently closed during the two weeks before the go-live date.** The Region 8 courts will also be closed from 8 a.m. to noon, June 1 to June 5, with a one-day exception in Caribou. Please see the closure schedule below.

Aroostook County Superior Court – Caribou/Caribou District Court

May 18, 2026 – May 22, 2026				
Monday MAY 18 OPEN	Tuesday MAY 19 OPEN	Wednesday MAY 20 CLOSED	Thursday MAY 21 CLOSED	Friday MAY 22 CLOSED
May 25, 2026 – May 29, 2026				
Monday MAY 25 CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY	Tuesday MAY 26 CLOSED	Wednesday MAY 27 CLOSED	*Thursday MAY 28 CLOSED <small>*ShareFile disabled at 2PM</small>	Friday MAY 29 CLOSED
June 1, 2026 – June 5, 2026				
*Monday June 1 OPEN 12–4PM <small>*First day of eFiling</small>	Tuesday June 2 OPEN 12–4PM	Wednesday June 3 OPEN 12–4PM	Thursday June 4 OPEN 12–4PM	Friday June 5 OPEN 8 –4PM

Aroostook County Superior Court – Houlton/Houlton District Court

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Fort Kent District Court

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How to Submit an Emergency Filing While the Court is Closed

PLEASE NOTE: These instructions apply only to filings submitted during business hours. If all courts are closed and the request can be submitted after the close of business, the standard after-hours procedures remain in effect.

- **Complaint for Protection from Abuse/Harassment**
 - Email: Filings permitted to be emailed pursuant to [PMO-SJC-3](#) are to be sent to the Region 8 email (region8pafilings@courts.maine.gov) as normal.
 - In-person: Go to the nearest open court.

Statewide helplines for **domestic violence** are available as follows:
Statewide Domestic Abuse Helpline: 1-866-834-HELP (free and confidential). Individuals who are deaf, late-deafened, or hard of hearing: 1-800-437-1220.
Statewide Sexual Assault Helpline: 1-800-871-7741 (free and confidential)
- **Mental Health - Involuntary Commitment**
 - In-Person: Go to the nearest open court.
 - Fax: Fax submissions for emergency involuntary commitment (“Blue Papers”) only are permitted as normal.
- **Weapons Restriction Orders**
 - Yellow Flag: Law enforcement must contact an open court for instructions.
 - Red Flag: In-person filings will be accepted at the nearest open court.
- **Request for Preliminary Protection Orders (Child Protection)**
 - Email: Requests made during a Maine eCourt implementation court closure can be emailed and sent to:
 - Caribou District Court: clerks-caribou@courts.maine.gov
 - Houlton District Court: dc.staff.houdc@courts.maine.gov

- Fort Kent District Court: dc.staff.fordc@courts.maine.gov
 - Presque Isle District Court: clerks-presque-isle@courts.maine.gov
 - In-Person: Go to the nearest open court.
- **Arrest Warrants and Search Warrants**
 - Law enforcement must contact an open court for instructions.

IN-PERSON FILINGS: If you choose to file in-person, check to make sure the court is open here:
www.courts.maine.gov/courts/alerts.shtml.

ShareFile to be Disabled

Please be aware on Thursday, May 28, at 2:00 p.m. ShareFile will be disabled for all criminal, civil violation, and juvenile filings, as well as GAL vouchers, and attorney billing procedures. Starting on Monday, June 1, attorneys must instead begin using eFileMaine to submit these to a Region 8 court.

Training and Resources

As of June 1, 2026, all mandatory electronic filers will be required to eFile into Region 8 courts. You must prepare if you are a mandatory electronic filer. Here are a few of the many resources available to help you:

- Maine eCourts Page: <https://www.courts.maine.gov/ecourts/index.html>. Visit the eCourts page to find everything you need to know about eFiling, accessing electronic court records, paying court fines, news and announcements, frequently asked questions, and much more.
- Training and Resources: <https://www.courts.maine.gov/ecourts/efile-resources.html>. Many guides, instructional documents, recorded presentations, demos, and trainings are available.
- Maine Rules of Electronic Court Systems: <https://www.courts.maine.gov/rules/text/mrecs.pdf>