

48.2 Jury Deliberations.

(a) Recess.

After trial, the court may recess while the jury deliberates. The court may direct the jurors that upon arriving at a verdict they must seal it, give it to the courtroom deputy, and return to the courtroom at a predetermined time for the opening and reading of the verdict.

(b) Attorney Availability.

Attorneys must be available on short notice during jury deliberations. Attorneys must inform the courtroom deputy of their whereabouts at all times during deliberations.

(c) Verdict.

Attorneys and parties need not be present when the court announces the verdict.