# UPLOADING SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (RESPONDENTS)

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#### 1. Introduction

When the Adjudicator communicates the adjudication process to the Parties, the Adjudicator will specify the supporting documents (and number of pages) that each Party may submit to the Adjudicator for consideration. The Parties will then be able to upload their supporting documents on ODACC's Custom System. The Claimant, Respondent, Adjudicator, and all individuals who have access to the adjudication will be able to view the documents uploaded on the Documents screen. After a Party uploads a document, the other Party and the Adjudicator will receive an email advising them that a new document has been uploaded on ODACC's Custom System.



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#### 2. Claimant's Documents

#### 2.1 Due Date for Claimant's Supporting Documents

The Claimant's supporting documents are due within five days of the appointment of the Adjudicator (s. 13.11 of the Construction Act). The Adjudicator will write a Determination within thirty days from the day the Claimant submits its documents (s.13.13(1) of the Construction Act).

After an Adjudicator consents to adjudicate, the Claimant and Respondent will receive a new notification and step to complete, as shown at Figure 1.

The notification will state, "The Claimant has five days to upload the documents on ODACC's Custom System. Please <u>click here</u> to upload documents." The link will take the Parties to the Documents tab.

The step to complete will state "Claimant to Upload Supporting Documents." This step will be marked as complete, once the Claimant uploads its supporting documents.



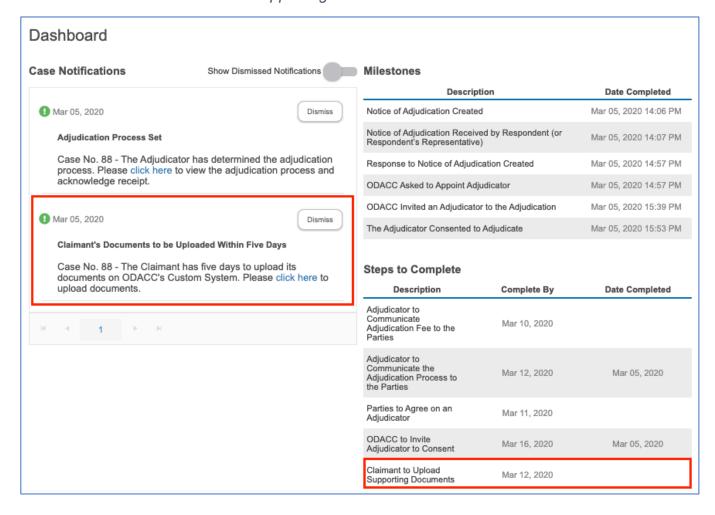
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Figure 1: Notification and Step to Complete Indicating Due Date for Claimant's Supporting Documents





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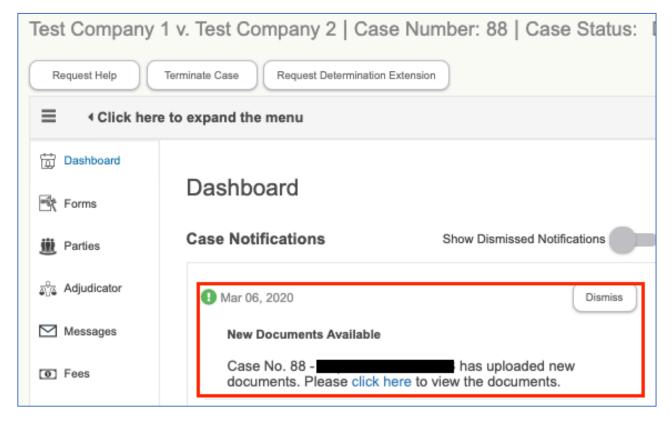
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#### 2.2 Downloading the Claimant's Documents

After the Claimant uploads a document on ODACC's Custom System, the Respondent and the Adjudicator will receive an email from <a href="mailto:communications@odacc.ca">communications@odacc.ca</a> with the subject line "ODACC Custom System Notification," directing them to log in to the system to review the new notification. On ODACC's Custom System, the Respondent will have a new notification stating, "[NAME] has uploaded new documents. Please click here to view the documents" (refer to Figure 2).

Figure 2: Notification After Document is Uploaded on System





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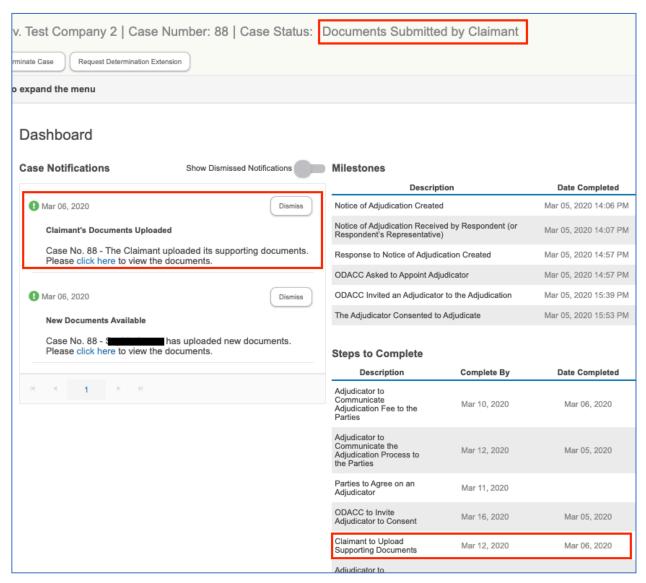
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If the Claimant uploaded all the supporting documents it intends to rely on during the adjudication, the Respondent will also see the following three updates on ODACC's Custom System (refer to Figure 3):

- a. a new case status, "Documents Submitted by Claimant";
- an additional notification stating "The Claimant uploaded its supporting documents"; and
- c. a completion date for the step to complete, "Claimant to Upload Supporting Documents."

Figure 3: Dashboard After Claimant Uploads its Supporting Documents



On the "Documents" tab, there is a chart that lists all the documents and the individual that uploaded the documents. To download a document, a user of ODACC's Custom



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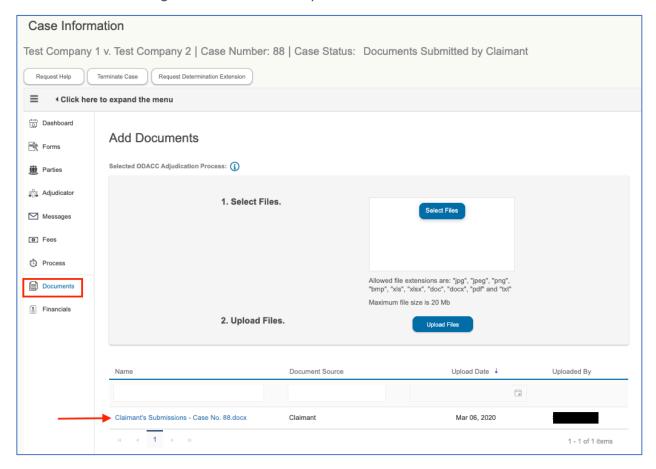
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System should open the Documents tab and click on the name of the document, as shown at Figure 4.

Figure 4: Documents Uploaded on Documents Tab





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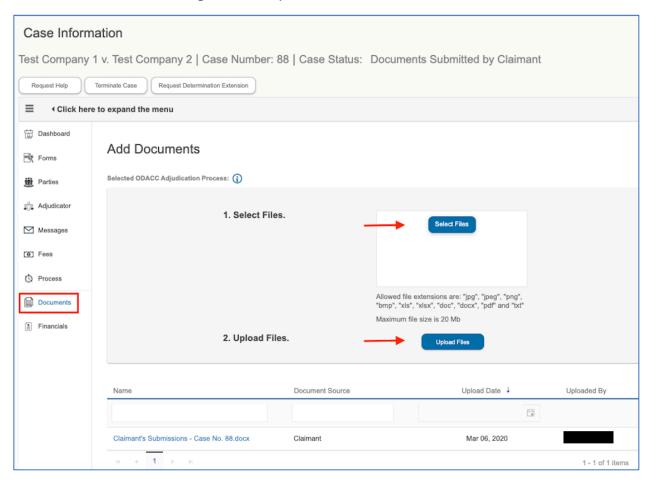
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### 3. Uploading Supporting Documents

To upload a document, a Respondent should (a) open the Documents tab, (b) select the files to be uploaded, and (c) press the "Upload Files" button, as shown at Figure 5.

Figure 5: Respondents' Documents Tab





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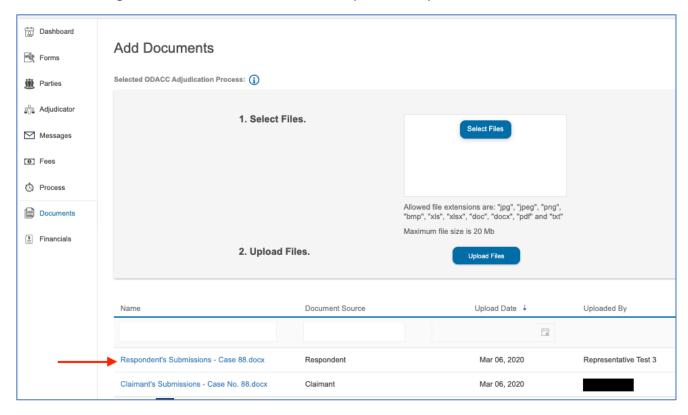
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After a document is uploaded on ODACC's Custom System, the document will be available at the bottom of the Documents tab, as shown at Figure 6. The Claimant and the Adjudicator will receive an email from <a href="mailto:communications@odacc.ca">communications@odacc.ca</a> to notify them that a new document was uploaded on ODACC's Custom System.

Figure 6: Documents Tab After Respondent Uploads Document



## FAQ: When will documents be deemed to have been uploaded on ODACC's Custom System?

Where a document is uploaded on ODACC's Custom System between midnight and 3:59 pm (EST) on a business day, the document will be deemed to have been uploaded on that day. Where a document is uploaded on ODACC's Custom System between 4:00 p.m. and midnight (EST) or on a weekend or statutory holiday, it will be deemed to have been uploaded on the following business day.



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FAQ; Can documents be deleted after they have been uploaded on ODACC's Custom System?

No. Documents cannot be deleted after they have been uploaded on ODACC's Custom System.