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- Go to: [www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)
- Call the National Domestic Violence Hotline (24 hours):

**1-800-799-7233**

**TDD: 1-800-787-3224**

It's free and private.

They can help you in more than 100 languages.

**For help in your area, contact:**

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## Civil Restraining Order

# A Domestic Violence Restraining Order was issued against me.



### What is a restraining order?

It is a court order. It orders you to stay away from someone who says you're abusive.

### What does the order do?

It can order you to:

- not contact or go near the protected person
- not have a gun
- move out of the house
- follow child custody and visitation orders
- pay child support

### Will I need to go to court?

Yes. Come to court on the date listed on page 1 of form DV-110. If you do not go to court, the judge may approve the order without hearing from you.

**DV-110 Temporary Restraining Order and Notice of Hearing**

1 Protected person's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Protected person's address (skip this if you have a lawyer): (If you want your address to be private, give a mailing address instead): \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone # (optional): (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Protected person's lawyer (if any): (Name, address, phone #, and State Bar #): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Court name and street address: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Superior Court of California, County of \_\_\_\_\_**

2 Restrained person's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Description of that person: Sex:  M  F Ht.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Wt.: \_\_\_\_\_ Race: \_\_\_\_\_ Hair Color: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Eye Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

3 List the full names of all family or household members protected by this order: \_\_\_\_\_

4 **Court Hearing Date (Fecha de la Audiencia)**  
 Court will fill in box below.  
 Hearing Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Name and address of court if different from above: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dept.: \_\_\_\_\_ Rm.: \_\_\_\_\_

To the person in ②: At the hearing, the judge can make restraining orders that last for up to 3 years. The judge can also make other orders about money, children, and property. At the hearing, you can tell the judge if you do not want the orders against you. Even if you do not attend the hearing, you **must** obey the orders.  
 Para la persona nombrada en ②: En esta audiencia el juez puede hacer que la orden de restricción sea válida hasta un máximo de 3 años. El juez puede también hacer otras órdenes acerca de dinero, niños y propiedad. Si Usted se opone a estas órdenes, vaya a la audiencia y dígaselo al juez. Aunque no vaya a la audiencia, **tiene** que obedecer estas órdenes.

5 **Temporary Orders (Ordenes Temporales)**  
 Any orders made in this form end on the date and time of the court hearing in ④, unless a judge extends them.  
 Read this form carefully. All checked boxes  are court orders.  
 Todas las órdenes hechas en esta formulario terminarán en la fecha y hora de la audiencia en ④, al menos que un juez las extienda. Lea este formulario con cuidado. Todas las casillas marcadas  son órdenes de la corte.

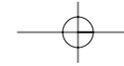
**This is a Court Order.**

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 Family Code, § 6200 et seq. Approved by DOJ

**Temporary Restraining Order (CLETS)**  
 (Domestic Violence Prevention)

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### **Do I need a lawyer?**

No. But it is a good idea, especially if you have children.

### **What if I also have criminal charges against me?**

See a lawyer. Anything you say or write can be used against you in your criminal case.

### **How do I tell my side of the story?**

File form DV-120 before your next court date. Also, bring it to court on that date.

### **Do I need to bring a witness to the court hearing?**

No. But bring proof to support your case. Some judges will allow witnesses; others will not.

**Warning:**  
**If you also have a criminal case, anything you say or write in a family law case can be used against you. See a lawyer.**

### **Will I see the protected person at the court hearing?**

If the protected person comes to the hearing, you will see him or her. Do not talk to the protected person unless the judge says you can.

### **How long does the order last?**

The first (temporary) order lasts until your next court date. At that time, the judge will decide to continue or cancel the order. The order can last for up to 3 years.

### **What if the protected person contacts me?**

No matter what, you have to follow the court order. The order does not affect what the protected person can do. It only affects what you can do.

### **Can I agree with the protected person to cancel the order?**

No. Only the judge can change or cancel the order.

### **What happens if I don't obey the court order?**

The police can arrest you. You can go to jail. Read the other warnings on page 4 of DV-110.

### **What if I don't have a green card?**

The order is valid whether you have a green card or not. If you are worried about being deported, talk to an immigration lawyer.

### **What if I don't speak English?**

As soon as possible, ask the clerk for a court interpreter. If an interpreter is not available, bring someone to interpret for you. Do not use a child to interpret for you.

