

PROCESS TIMELINE

PROTECTION ORDERS

01 Complete the required forms

To file a Protection Order Application, all the required documents must be completed. Otherwise, your filing may be rejected by the court.



02 File your forms with the Court

After you fill out the required forms, you will need to file them with the appropriate court. Most applications are filed at your local Justice Court, but some might need to be filed in District Court. Check with your local court if you are not sure where to file. There is no fee to file this.



03 Judge reviews your application

After you fill out the required forms, a Temporary Protection Order may be granted without notice to the Adverse Party or a hearing. However, the court can require a hearing before deciding whether to grant a Temporary Protection Order.



04 Get copies of your Protection Order

If there are addresses the other person must stay away from (work, schools, etc.), get enough copies of the TPO so each location can keep one. Give a copy to each location so they know the adverse party is to stay away. **Keep a copy of the TPO with you at all times.**



05 The Adverse Party will be Served

If the protection order is granted, the court will arrange for the Sheriff to serve the other person if he/she lives in Clark County. **Your Temporary Protection Order is not enforceable until served on Adverse Party.**



06 Prepare for the extension hearing

If you requested an extended order, prepare for the hearing. Make plans to participate. If you do not participate, the judge cannot extend your order and your Temporary Protection Order will expire. You can ask the Court to appear by phone.



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You can contact an advocacy organization to get connected to free support and resources.

www.ncedsv.org/find-help



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