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**Emergency Protection Order**

Section 44 Children Act 1989

<<todaysDate>>

<<cs\_{!isBlank(judgeTitleAndName)}>><<judgeTitleAndName>><<es\_>> <<cs\_{!isBlank(legalAdvisorName)}>> and Legal advisor <<legalAdvisorName>><<es\_>>

<<courtName>>

**Children in the case**

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| <<rr\_children>> |  |  |
| <<name>> | <<cs\_{!isBlank(gender)}>> <<gender>><<es\_>> | <<cs\_{!isBlank(dateOfBirth)}>> Born <<dateOfBirth>><<es\_>> |
| <<er\_children>> |  |  |

**<<cs\_{!isBlank(childrenDescription)}>>Description**

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| <<childrenDescription>> |

<<es\_>>

An Emergency Protection Order is granted to the applicant, <<localAuthorityName>>.

The order gives the applicant parental responsibility for the <<cs\_{childrenCount <2}>>child<<else>>children<<es\_>>.<<cs\_{epoType=’REMOVE\_TO\_ACCOMMODATION’ }>>

The Court authorises the applicant to remove the <<cs\_{childrenCount <2}>>child<<else>>children<<es\_>> to accommodation provided by or on behalf of the applicant.<<es\_>><<cs\_{epoType=’PREVENT\_REMOVAL’}>>

The Court authorises the applicant to prevent the <<cs\_{childrenCount <2}>>child<<else>>children<<es\_>> being removed from <<removalAddress>>.<<es\_>><<cs\_{includePhrase=’Yes’}>>

This order directs that any person who can produce the <<cs\_{childrenCount <2}>>child<<else>>children<<es\_>> to the applicant must do so.<<es\_>><<cs\_{!isBlank(furtherDirections)}>>

<<furtherDirections>>

<<es\_>><<cs\_{isBlank(furtherDirections)}>>

<<es\_>>

This order starts on <<epoStartDateTime>>.

**This order ends on <<epoEndDateTime>>.**

**Notes about the Emergency Protection Order**  
  
**About this order**  
  
This is an Emergency Protection Order.

This order states what has been authorised in respect of the <<cs\_{childrenCount <2}>>child<<else>>children<<es\_>> and when the order will end.

The court can extend this order for up to 7 days but it can only do this once.

***Warning***

If you are shown this order, you must comply with it. If you do not, you may commit an offence. Read the order now.

**What you may do**

You may apply to the court at any time to

change the directions, or

end the order.

If you would like to ask the court to change the directions, or end the order, you must fill in a form. You can obtain the form from a court office.

If the court has directed that the <<cs\_{childrenCount <2}>>child<<else>>children<<es\_>> should have a medical, phychiatric or another kind of examination, you may ask the court to allow a doctor of your choice to be at the examination.

**What you should do**  
  
Go to a solicitor as soon as you can.

Some solicitors specialise in court proceedings which involve children. You can obtain the address of a solicitor or advice agency from the Yellow Pages or the Solicitors’ Regional Directory. You will find these books at

* a Citizens Advice Bureau
* a Law Centre
* a local library

A solicitor or an advice agency will be able to tell you whether you may be eligible for legal aid.