

How do I file for a stalking personal protection order?

The county clerk or circuit court in the county where you live can provide forms with step-by-step instructions on how to file for the stalking personal protection order.

What information will I need to file for a personal protection order?

Some of the things you may need before you fill out the forms include:

- a copy of your complaint for divorce, annulment or separate maintenance;
- copies of custody orders if there are any, and;
- the costs of serving papers on the restrained person. (*The cost for personal service may vary from county to county.*)
- there may be a fee for the motion to the court.

You will also need information about the person to be restrained such as name, address, place of employment, date of birth, physical description, etc.

The court will provide you with the necessary forms to fill out.

IMPORTANT: *If you have notarized written statements from witnesses and copies of supporting documents or materials from police, doctors, or social agencies, bring them with you.*

IMPORTANT NOTICE

BY USING THE DO-IT-YOURSELF PERSONAL PROTECTION ORDER YOU ARE CHOOSING TO REPRESENT YOURSELF IN A COURT ACTION.

IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE PROTECTION YOU SEEK, YOU MUST FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS YOU ARE GIVEN. IF YOU FAIL TO DO EVEN ONE OF THE REQUIRED STEPS, THE ORDER YOU GET FROM THE COURT COULD BE INEFFECTIVE AND YOU COULD REMAIN UNPROTECTED.

For immediate assistance with or information about a domestic violence situation, contact:

The Family Violence Hotline:

1-800-99-NO-ABUSE

(1-800-996-6228)

For further information contact:

Michigan Women's Commission

(517) 373-2884

or

(313) 224-5510

Room 201

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Detroit, MI

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