## **ACCOUNTING FOR ABUSE IN ORDERS FOR PROTECTION**



# WHAT IS THE NATURE & IMPACT OF ABUSE?





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# WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT IT?



### LIMIT OR MONITOR RESPONDENT'S ACCESS TO CHILD OR PETITIONER:

Custody/decision-making:	
	Suspend contact with child
	Award temporary legal custody to petitioner
	Suspend respondent's decision-making
	Limit respondent's decision-making
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	Suspend visitation
	Refer to professional supervised visitation center
	Institute non-professional supervised visitation
	Refer to professional supervised exchange
	Institute non-professional supervised exchange
	Appoint a third party visitation/exchange monitor
	Require neutral exchange locations (school, place of business, etc.)
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	Limit methods of contact (no in-person, telephonic or social media contact)
	Prescribe frequency and methods of communication (email only, text only, etc.)
	Restrict length and/or content of communication (1-page, 10-minutes, scope)
	Limit access to sensitive information (addresses, account numbers, SSNs, records)
	Restrict visitation to designated locale (grandparent's home, public park, church)
	Restrict visitation to a geographical area (25-mile radius, in town, in state, etc.)
	Restrict what can happen during contact (no alcohol or drugs, no weapons, etc.)
	Establish benchmarks for unsupervised contact (no abuse, threats, violations)
	Condition contact on compliance with defined terms (sobriety, BIP, car seat, etc.)
	Appoint post-visitation safety monitor to ensure visits are safe and go as planned
	Define consequences for non-compliance with access restrictions
П	Other:

### REQUIRE RESPONDENT TO PARTICIPATE IN REMEDIAL INTERVENTIONS AND/OR SERVICES:

- □ Refer respondent to batterer intervention for assessment and proper services
- □ Refer respondent parent to parenting after violence program
- □ Other:

### RESTRICT RESPONDENT'S ACCESS TO FIREARMS

- □ Prohibit respondent from using, possessing, or purchasing firearms
- □ Order surrender or seizure of firearms

#### SUPPORT PETITIONER'S EFFORTS TO PROTECT CHILD:

- ☐ Link parental decision-making authority to parental responsibility for child's care
- □ Designate petitioner as the custodian of records
- ☐ Facilitate petitioner's access to available community-based resources
- □ Allow direct and expedited access to enforcement mechanisms
- ☐ Establish automatic bill-paying processes for respondent's financial obligations
- □ Delineate reasonable house rules
- ☐ Grant petitioner possession of home, vehicles and personal property
- ☐ Limit respondent's ability to dispose of or dissipate assets
- ☐ Establish temporary child support

## STRENGTHEN CHILD'S SYSTEMS OF SUPPORT:

- ☐ Ensure that parenting plan accommodates child's interests, activities and supports
- □ Provide sufficient parenting time flexibility to adapt to child's age and social needs
- ☐ Structure parenting time to maintain access to child's support system
- ☐ Connect child and petitioner to available community based resources

#### MONITOR AND ENFORCE RESPONDENT'S COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER:

- □ Conduct review hearings
- ☐ Establish schedule for respondent to demonstrate compliance with order
- ☐ Set automatic consequences for non-compliance with protection order
- ☐ Appoint a compliance monitor at respondent's cost
- ☐ Hold respondent accountable for unjustified, unexcused, intentional violations
- □ Other:

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