

# How do Family Violence Orders get made?



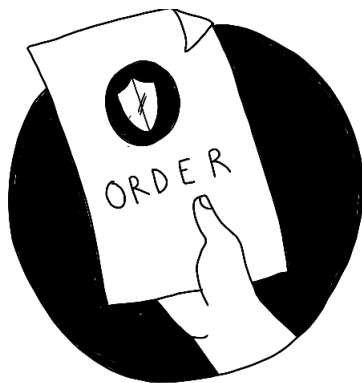
FAMILY VIOLENCE LAW HELP

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## Tasmania (Tas)

If someone has used domestic and family violence against you, a Family Violence Order (FVO) may help keep you safe.

If you, or someone you are with is in immediate danger—call police on Triple Zero (000).



### How are applications made?

In the Australia Capital Territory, you or the police can apply for a FVO to protect you and your children. You or the police can apply for a FVO if someone has used domestic and family violence against you.

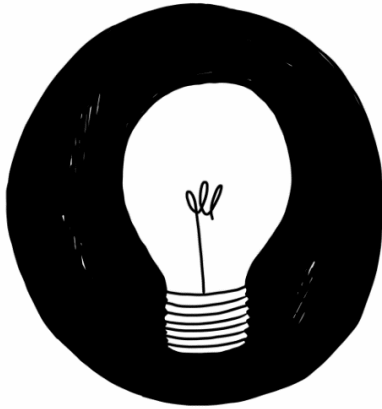
If you have experienced domestic and family violence, you should contact the police.

In some cases, police can make a Police Family Violence Order for your protection. A Police Family Violence Order is an urgent order that can be made without going to court.

If the police apply for a FVO to protect you or your children, it may not be up to you if the FVO goes ahead or not.



If the police don't take out a FVO for you or if you don't feel comfortable going to the police, you can apply for a FVO at your local [Magistrates Court](#). It's important to get legal advice about this



## Who can orders be made against?

You or the police can apply for a FVO to protect you from:

- your current or former husband or wife
- your current or ex-partner if you had a significant relationship. A significant relationship means an unmarried couple who are not related by family.

If the person you want protection from is not listed above, get legal advice.



You may be able to apply for a different type of order, called a Restraint Order.

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