

What types of things can a Domestic Violence Order stop?



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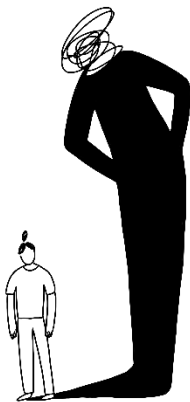
Domestic Violence Orders are also known as Intervention Orders, Family Violence Orders, Apprehended Domestic Violence Orders or Restraining Orders.



Domestic Violence Orders protect people by ordering the other person not to do certain things. Sometimes more than one person is protected by a Domestic Violence Order - like a parent and their children.

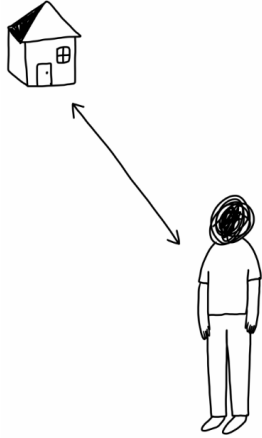
The things the other person can't do are often called conditions. The conditions on your Domestic Violence Order will depend on your situation. Some Domestic Violence Orders only have a few conditions, some have more. The types of conditions you can get in your order are different in each State and Territory.

If you are the protected person, the conditions may say that the person the order is against can't do things to you like:



- use domestic and family violence against you
 - for example - the person the order is against can't hurt you or abuse you physically, emotionally or sexually
- contact you
 - for example—they can't talk to you or contact you by phone, text message, email, social media or in any other way
- stalk you or try to find you
 - for example—they can't follow you or try to monitor your movements through spyware or GPS tracking devices





- go near you, or go closer than a set distance from you
 - for example—they must stay 100 metres away from you at all times
- go to, or go closer than a set distance from some places
 - for example—they must stay 100 metres away from where you live, work or study
- damage your property
 - for example—they can't damage your belongings in any way, including hurting pets.

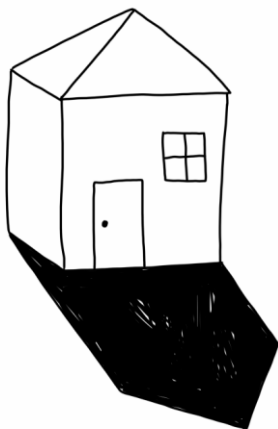
Conditions can be made to suit your situation, including if you have children. For example - conditions may take into account things like Parenting Orders.



If you have experienced domestic and family violence and are thinking making arrangements for your children, it is important to get legal advice and consider how domestic and family violence affects children.

You can get legal advice about what types of conditions are available in your State or Territory.

The court can also make orders to get your personal things back.



In some cases, Domestic Violence Orders can affect your tenancy. If you were living in a rental property with a person who you have a Domestic Violence Order against, or who has a Domestic Violence Order against you, you should get tenancy advice about this.

Domestic Violence Orders can work in other States and Territories, to protect people who move.