

Domestic Violence Implementation Lab

Interjurisdictional Service in Ohio

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	Ex Parte Protective Order (Temporary/Emergency)	Final Protective Order
Statute	Ohio Revised Code 2151.34 , 2903.214 , and 3113.31 Ohio Rules of Civil Procedure 4.1(B), 4.3(B) (2), 65.1	
Terminology	Ex Parte Protection Order	Protection Order
Length of Order	Up to 7 court days after the hearing, as ordered by the court	Up to 5 years, as ordered by the court
Available Relief	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refrain from abusing or from committing sexually oriented offenses • Grant possession of the residence/ household to the petitioner • Temporary custody/visitation rights for minor children • Financial support • Require offender to seek counseling • Grant use of motor vehicle, personal property, etc. • Refrain from entering the residence, school, business, or place of employment of the petitioner or household members • Grant possession of companion animal to petitioner • Refrain from removing, damaging, hiding, harming, or disposing of companion animal • Require a wireless service transfer • Order surrender of firearm and/or ammunition 	
Protected Parties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spouse/former spouse; a person living as a spouse, • Parent/foster parent • Person who is living/has lived with the offender within 5 years • Parent of child of the offender (no residency requirement) • Person related by consanguinity or affinity to the offender • Parent/child of the spouse/former spouse/person who is living/has lived with the offender • Person who is an adult and has/had a relationship of a romantic or intimate nature within 12 months of conduct 	

Requirements for Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk of Court prepares materials and submits them to the county sheriff for the area in which the Respondent resides (e.g., petition, order, etc.) • County Sheriff will document whether or not service was made and notify the Clerk of Court
Registration Required for Enforcement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not required
Military Jurisdictions	<p>Military Bases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 121ARW • 178 WG • 179th AW • 180 FW • Defense Supply Center Columbus • USAREC (Cleveland Battalion) • USAREC (Columbus Battalion) • Wright-Patterson AFB <p>Processes on Military Jurisdictions: Contact the individual military jurisdiction for service process details.</p>
Tribal Jurisdictions	<p>Federally Recognized Tribe: None</p> <p>State Recognized Tribes: None</p> <p>Processes on Tribal Jurisdictions: Contact the individual tribal jurisdiction for service process details.</p>
Other Information	None

Out of State Service Fees¹:

None (see Ohio Revised Code [2151.34](#), [2903.214](#), and [3113.31](#))

For more information, please contact State Point of Contact Anne Murray (anne.murray@sc.ohio.gov).

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¹ Courts should not charge a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or sexual assault any costs associated with the filing, issuance, registration, or service of protection orders, whether issued by civil or criminal courts, including intra- and inter-jurisdictional orders. This no-cost provision also applies to any fees or costs associated with a criminal matter related to domestic violence, stalking, dating violence, and sexual assault (42 U.S.C. § 3796 hh(c)(4)). Charging any of these costs will render a jurisdiction ineligible for certain VAWA funds.