

DV-700-INFO

How Do I Ask the Court to Renew My Restraining Order?

1 What does “renew” mean?

- It is the way you ask the court to make your current restraining order last longer than the current order.
- If the judge “renews” your *Restraining Order After Hearing* (Form DV-130), it will have a new end date.

2 When do I ask for the renewal?

Before the date your current order ends (see Form DV-130).

3 How long can the new order last?

There is no limit on the number of years it can last. The order can be permanent. If no date is listed on the order, it will last for 3 years.

4 How much does it cost?

Nothing.

5 Do I have to go to court?

Yes. Go to court on the date the clerk gives you. If you do not, your restraining order will end with no extension.

6 What are the steps?

- Fill out:
DV-700 (*Request to Renew Restraining Order*)
DV-710 (*Notice of Hearing to Renew Restraining Order*)
- Attach a copy of your current *Restraining Order After Hearing* (Form DV-130) to Form DV-700.
- Make at least 2 copies of all forms.
- Take the forms to the court clerk for filing.

10 The clerk or judge will set a hearing date.

You must go to the hearing. Form DV-710 will tell you when and where it will be.

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9 Have someone personally serve the restrained person with a copy of these forms:

- DV-700 (*Request to Renew Restraining Order*)
- DV-710 (*Notice of Hearing to Renew Restraining Order*)
- Your current DV-130 (*Restraining Order After Hearing*)
- DV-720 (*Response to Request to Renew Restraining Order*)—Leave it blank for the restrained person to answer.

For information on “service,” read Form DV-210-INFO. Someone 18 or over—not you or anyone protected by the restraining order—can serve the order.

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10 Get Ready for the Hearing.

- The *Proof of Service* (Form DV-200) shows the judge that the restrained person knows about the hearing date.
- The person who serves the order must complete the form
- Make 5 copies of the original *Proof of Service*.
- Take the original and the copies to the court clerk at least 2 days before your hearing. The clerk will file the original and give you back the copies stamped "Filed."

11 Go to the court hearing.

At the hearing, the judge will decide whether or not to renew the order. Bring a copy of the *Proof of Service* with you.

12 If the judge renews the order at the hearing . . .

- A new *Restraining Order After Hearing* (Form DV-130) will need to be filled out. Some courts will do this for you. In other courts, you will have to do it yourself. Ask the court clerk for information on the local process. The judge will sign the new Form DV-130 after it is filled out.
- The clerk will file the original and give you up to 5 stamped copies.
- If the restrained person was at the hearing, you can have him or her served with a copy of Form DV-130 by mail. Ask the server to complete Form DV-250 and give it to you.
- If the restrained person was not at the hearing, you must have someone serve Form DV-130 in person, not by mail. Ask the server to complete Form DV-200 and give it to you.

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