

This guide is designed to help you make a decision for yourself. It is not legal advice.
Clerks cannot give you legal advice or explain the information on this page.
To get help from a Victim Advocate, you can call the Wyoming Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault at 307-755-0992 or the Wyoming Division of Victim's Services at 1-888-996-8816.

Domestic Violence Orders of Protection in Wyoming: Getting Started

This page can help you decide whether to ask the Court for a
Domestic Violence Order of Protection.

Orders of Protection might also be called
Protection Orders, Protective Orders, or Restraining Orders.
In Wyoming, the formal name is Order of Protection.

You can ask the Court to give you an Order of Protection if you are a victim of
Domestic Violence or Sexual Assault or Stalking.
This page can help you figure out if a Domestic Violence Order of Protection fits your situation.

(There are "Getting Started" pages for Sexual Assault and Stalking too.
You can get those pages from the Circuit Court Clerk or the Judicial Branch website.)

Laws about Domestic Violence look at what happened to you and what your relationship is with the person who did it. This checklist can help you figure out whether your experiences are considered Domestic Violence.

A. What happened:

- Somebody physically abused you.
- Somebody threatened you.
- Somebody forced you to take part in sexual activity.
- Somebody prevented you from moving around (for example, held you down on the floor).
- Somebody prevented you from leaving a place (for example, locked you in a room).

B. Who did it:

- Somebody you are married to or used to be married to.
- Somebody you date or used to date.
- Somebody you live with in a relationship like a married couple, or used to.
- Somebody you have children with.
- Somebody who is your child (either still young or an adult).
- Somebody who is your parent.
- Somebody you share living space with (for example, your roommate).

If you checked at least one box in List A and at least one box in List B, you might qualify for a Domestic Violence Order of Protection.

You can get forms and instructions for asking the Court for an Order of Protection by visiting the Circuit Court Clerk in your county or the Judicial Branch website.