

Interjurisdictional Service in Florida

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	Ex Parte Protective Order (Temporary/Emergency)	Final Protective Order
Statute	Florida Statutes § 741.28 through 741.465	
Terminology	Temporary Injunction	Final Injunction
Length of Order	Up to 15 days after the petition is submitted	As ordered by the court.
Available Relief	<p>Order the abuser to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refrain from committing any acts of domestic violence • Refrain from contact with the animal and from taking, transferring, encumbering, concealing, harming, or otherwise disposing of the animal <p>Grant the petitioner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temporary possession of the residence • Temporary custody and visitation rights • Temporary care, possession, or control of an animal <p>Other relief as ordered by the court</p>	<p>In addition to relief available in a temporary order:</p> <p>Order the abuser to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pay temporary child support • Participate in treatment, intervention, or counseling services, including a batterer’s intervention program <p>Refer the petitioner to a certified domestic violence center</p> <p>Other relief as ordered by the court</p>
Protected Parties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current or former spouse • Related by blood or marriage • Currently or previously living together as if family • Have child in common 	

Requirements for Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within 24 hours after the order is issued, the clerk will electronically transmit the order and related documents to the sheriff or a law enforcement agency where the respondent resides. • Law enforcement will personally serve the order on the respondent as soon as possible. • Within 24 hours after service, law enforcement will electronically transmit proof of service to law enforcement with jurisdiction over the petitioner’s residence. • Law enforcement will also enter the order into the Domestic and Repeat Violence Injunction Statewide Verification System. • The clerk will also mail the order to parties if unable to deliver the order at the hearing. The clerk will also notify law enforcement.
Registration Required for Enforcement	Not required.
Military Jurisdictions	<p>Military Bases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 125 FW • Eglin AFB • Hurlburt Field • MacDill AFB • Naval Air Station Jacksonville • Naval Air Station Key West • Naval Air Station Pensacola • Naval Air Station Whiting Field • Naval Station Mayport • Naval Support Activity Orlando • Naval Support Activity Panama City • Patrick SFB • Tyndall AFB • USAREC, Jacksonville Battalion • USAREC, Miami Battalion • USAREC, Tampa Battalion • USSOUTHCOM/U.S. Army Garrison-Miami <p>Processes on Military Jurisdictions: Contact the individual military jurisdiction for service process details.</p>

Tribal Jurisdictions	<p>Federally Recognized Tribe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida • Seminole Tribe of Florida (Dania, Big Cypress, Brighton, Hollywood and Tampa Reservations) <p>State Recognized Tribes: None</p> <p>Processes on Tribal Jurisdictions: Contact the individual tribal jurisdiction for service process details.</p>
<p>Other Information</p>	<p>None</p>

Out of State Service Fees¹:

None

For more information, please contact State Point of Contact Kathleen Tailer (tailerk@flcourts.org).

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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.