

Interjurisdictional Service in Colorado

A Resource from the Pandemic Rapid Response Team

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	Ex Parte Protective Order (Temporary/Emergency)	Final Protective Order
Statute	Colorado Revised Statutes § 13-14	
Terminology	Temporary (ex parte) Protection Order	Permanent Order
Length of Order	Up to 14 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 threatening, physically injuring or harassing the applicant or minor child, either directly or through an agent • Stay away from the applicant’s residence, school, workplace (or that of their minor children), or other locations frequented by the applicant or their children. • Keep a distance of 100 yards from protected persons. • Refrain from physically injuring, threatening to injure any animal, either directly or through an agent • Refrain from taking possession of any animal owned or kept by the applicant or minor child, either directly or through an agent • Refrain from consuming drugs or alcohol. <p>Grant the applicant temporary care and control of minor children.</p> <p>Other relief as ordered by the court.</p>	<p>In addition to relief available in a temporary order:</p> <p>Order the adverse party to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avoid or limit communicate with the applicant or minor child • Pay rent/mortgage for applicant’s residence • Pay spousal/child support • Pay applicant’s costs/fees for bringing this action to the court, including lost earnings and expenses • Refrain from purchasing/acquiring/possessing a firearm with the order is in effect <p>The court may also establish:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitation arrangements for minor children • Possession and care of animals

Protected Parties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current or former spouse • Related by blood or marriage • Currently or previously in a dating relationship • Have child in common • Children
Requirements for Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The protected party will identify who will personally serve the order on the abuser: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Sheriff’s Department: A fee will be charged ◦ Private Process Server: A fee will be charged ◦ Another adult who is not party to the case • The identified person/agency must serve the order prior to the Permanent Protection Order hearing. • The person/agency who completed the service must fill out an Affidavit/ Certificate of Service deliver it to the protected party, who will then provide it to the court. • The protected party must bring the Affidavit/Certificate of Service to the hearing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ If another person provided service, they must provide the completed Affidavit/Certificate to the protected party. • If Temporary Protection Order was not served completed by the Permanent Protection Order hearing, the protected party can ask the court to continue the hearing to a later date.
Registration Required for Enforcement	Not required.
Military Jurisdictions	<p>Military Bases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 140 WG • Buckley SFB • Fort Carson • Peterson SFB • Schriever SFB • USAF Academy • USAREC, Denver Battalion <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"> • Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Reservation • Ute Mountain Tribe of the Ute Mountain Reservation (Colorado, New Mexico and Utah) <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 Jennifer Mendoza (jennifer.mendoza@judicial.state.co.us).

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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.