

Civil Protection Order Durations

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ALABAMA	Ex parte protection order or modification of protection order Any final protection order is of permanent duration unless otherwise specified or modified by a subsequent court order. Ala. Code § 30-5-7(d)(2)	Order duration: Permanent unless specified or modified by subsequent court order.
	Hearing on petition; temporary orders. Any granted temporary ex parte protection order shall be effective until the final hearing date. Ala. Code § 30-5-6(b	Temporary order duration: Effective until final hearing date. If hearing is continued, cou may make or extend temporary protection orders as it deem necessary.
ALASKA	Protective orders: eligible petitioners; relief The provisions of a protective order issued under: (1) (c)(1) of this section are effective until further order of the court; (2) (c)(2) – (16) of this section are effective for one year unless earlier dissolved by court order. Alaska Stat. §18.66.100(b)	Order duration: One (1) year or until further notice of the court.
	Ex parte protective orders An ex parte protective order expires 20 days after it is issued unless dissolved earlier by the court at the request of either the petitioner or the respondent and after notice and, if requested, a hearing. Alaska Stat. § 18.66.110(a)	Ex parte order duration: Twenty (20) days, unless dissolved earlier by the court.
	Emergency protective orders An emergency protective order expires 72 hours after it is issued unless dissolved earlier by the court at the request of the petitioner. Alaska Stat. § 18.66.110(b)	Emergency order duration: Seventytwo (72) Hours.
	Ex parte protective orders An ex parte protective order expires 20 days after it is issued, unless dissolved earlier by the court at the request of the petitioner or respondent and after notice and, if requested, a hearing, or on the	Ex party order duration (same as above): Twenty (20) days, unless dissolved earlier by the court.

earlier appointment of a temporary or permanent conservator. Alaska Stat. § 13.26.450(c)

Protection Order for Stalking and Sexual Assault

If the court finds by a preponderance of evidence that the respondent has committed stalking or sexual assault against the petitioner, regardless of whether the respondent appears at the hearing, the court may order any relief available under (c) of this section. The provisions of a protective order issued under this section are effective for one year unless earlier dissolved by the court.

ALASKA STAT. §18.65.850(b)

Within 30 days before, or within 60 days after, the expiration of a protective order issued or extended under this section, a petitioner may petition the court for an extension of the protective order. The court shall schedule a hearing and provide at least 10 days' notice to the respondent of the hearing and of the respondent's right to appear and be heard, either in person or through an attorney. If the court finds that an extension of the provisions of the order is necessary to protect the petitioner from stalking or sexual assault, regardless of whether the respondent appears at the hearing, the court may extend the provisions of the order. An extension granted under this subsection is effective for one year unless earlier dissolved by court order. If the court grants an extension before the protective order expires, the extension takes effect on the day the protective order would have expired.

ALASKA STAT. §18.65.850(f)

Ex parte protective orders for stalking and sexual assault

An ex parte protective order expires 20 days after it is issued unless dissolved earlier by the court at the request of either the petitioner or the respondent after notice and, if requested, a hearing.

Protection order for stalking and sexual assault duration:

One (1) year unless earlier dissolved by court Petitioner may petition court for an extension within thirty (30) days before or sixty (60) days after the expiration of this protective order. The extension granted is effective for one (1) year unless earlier dissolved by court.

Ex parte protective order for stalking and sexual assault duration:

Twenty (20) days, unless dissolved earlier by the court

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	Emergency protective orders for stalking and sexual assault An emergency protective order may grant the protection allowed by AS 18.65.850(c). An emergency protective order expires 72 hours after it is issued unless dissolved earlier by the court at the request of the petitioner. ALASKA STAT. § 18.65.855(b)	Emergency protective order for stalking and sexual assault duration: Seventy-two (72) Hours.
AMERICAN SAMOA	Protection orders (ex parte and final order) An order for protection issued ex parte or upon notice and hearing or a modification of an order for protection issued ex parte or upon notice and hearing is effective until further order of the court. Am. Samoa Code Ann. §47.0204 (e) Emergency protective orders	Protection orders Effective until further order of the court. Emergency protective orders
	(e) An emergency order for protection expires 72 hours after issuance. Am. Samoa Code Ann. § 47.0203(e)	Seventy-two (72) hours after issuance.
	Hearings (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), if a court issues an order for protection ex parte or a modification of an order for protection ex parte and the court provides relief pursuant to section 47.0204 (b), upon a request by either party within 30 days after service of the order or modification, the court shall set a date for a hearing on the petition. The hearing must be held within ten days after the request for a hearing is filed unless continued by the court for good cause shown. (b) The court shall set a date for a hearing on the petition within 10 days after the filing of the petition if a court issues an order	Hearings Request for hearing must be filed within thirty (30) days of notice Hearing is held within ten (10) days after request for hearing is filed.

STATE STATE CODE PROVISION **TIME LIMIT** for protection ex parte or a modification of an order of protection ex parte, and: Am. SAMOA CODE ANN. § 47.0205(a)-(b) Order of Protection Order of protection duration: **ARIZONA** An order of protection that is not served on the defendant within Two (2) years. one year after the date that the order is issued expires. An order is effective on the defendant on service of a copy of the order and petition. An order expires two years after service on the defendant. A modified order is effective on service and expires two years after service of the initial order and petition. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 13-3602(N) **Hearing requests Hearing requests** A hearing that is requested by a party who is under an order of Held ten (10) days from request protection or who is restrained from contacting the other party shall be held within ten days from the date requested unless the court finds good cause to continue the hearing. If exclusive use of the home is awarded, the hearing shall be held within five days from the date requested. The hearing shall be held at the earliest possible time. An ex parte order that is issued under this section shall state on its face that the defendant is entitled to a hearing on written request and shall include the name and address of the judicial office where the request may be filed. After the hearing, the court may modify, quash or continue the order. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 13-3602(L) **Injunction Against Harassment** Injunction against harassment duration: An injunction that is not served on the defendant within one year One (1) year. after the date that the injunction is issued expires. The injunction is effective on the defendant on service of a copy of the injunction and petition and expires one year after service on the defendant. A modified injunction is effective on service and expires one year

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	after service of the initial injunction and petition Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 12-1809(J)	
	Hearing Requests A hearing that is requested by a defendant shall be held within ten days from the date requested unless the court finds compelling reasons to continue the hearing. The hearing shall be held at the earliest possible time. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 121809(H)	Hearing Requests Held ten (10) days from written request.
	Emergency orders of protection An emergency order of protection expires seven calendar days after issuance, unless otherwise continued by the court. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 13-3624(E)	Emergency order of protection duration: Seven (7) calendar days after issuance unless otherwis continued by court.
ARKANSAS	Relief generally—Duration Any relief granted by the court for protection under the provisions of this chapter shall be for a fixed period of time not less than ninety (90) days nor more than ten (10) years in duration, in the discretion of the court, and may be renewed at a subsequent hearing upon proof and a finding by the court that the threat of domestic abuse still exists. Ark. Code. Ann. § 9-15-205(b)	Duration of relief: Ninety (90) Days – Ten (10) Years.
	Temporary order: An ex parte temporary order of protection is effective until the date of the hearing described in § 9-15-204. Ark. Code. Ann. § 9-15-206(c)	Temporary order duration: Effective until hearing (at most 30 days).
	Hearing When a petition for an order of protection is filed pursuant to this chapter, the court shall order a hearing to be held on the petition	Hearing Hearing should be held no later than thirty (30) days from filing date of the petition or at the next court date, which

date on which the petition for an order of protection is filed or at

the next court date, whichever is later.

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	Ark. Code. Ann. § 9-15-204(a)(1)	
CALIFORNIA	Duration of orders (a) In the discretion of the court, the personal conduct, stay-away, and residence exclusion orders contained in a court order issued after notice and a hearing under this article may have a duration of not more than five years, subject to termination or modification by further order of the court either on written stipulation filed with the court or on the motion of a party. These orders may be renewed, upon the request of a party, either for five or more years, or permanently, at the discretion of the court, without a showing of further abuse since the issuance of the original order. Renewals and subsequent renewals shall be subject to termination, modification, or subsequent renewal by further order of the court either on written stipulation filed with the court or on the motion of a party. The request for renewal may be brought at any time within the three months before the expiration of the orders. Cal. Fam. Code §6345(a) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the duration of any orders, other than the protective orders described in subdivision (a), that are also contained in a court order issued after notice and hearing under this article, including but not limited to, orders for custody, visitation, support, and disposition of property, shall be governed by the law relating to those specific subjects. Cal. Fam. Code §6345(b) The failure to state the expiration date on the face of the form creates an order with a duration of three years from the date of issuance. Cal. Fam. Code §6345(c) If the court makes any order for custody, visitation, or support, that	Order duration: Five (5) years, order can be made permanent upon motion. If no expiration date is listed, three (3) years is the default. Order for custody, visitation, or support, that order shall survive the termination of any protective order.

order shall survive the termination of any protective order. Cal. Fam. Code §6340(a)(1)

In making a determination of the best interest of the child, in order to limit the child's exposure to potential domestic violence, and to ensure the safety of all family members, if the party who has obtained the restraining order has established a parent and child relationship and the other party has not established that relationship, the court may award temporary sole legal and physical custody to the party to whom the restraining order was issued and may make an order of no visitation to the other party pending the establishment of a parent and child relationship between the child and the other party.

Cal. Fam. Code §6323(a)(2

Emergency Protective Order

An emergency protective order expires at the earlier of the following times:

- (a) The close of judicial business on the fifth court day following the day of its issuance.
- (b) The seventh calendar day following the day of its issuance.

CAL. FAM. CODE § 6256

Injunction Against Harassment

- (f) A temporary restraining order issued under this section shall remain in effect, at the court's discretion, for a period not to exceed 21 days, or, if the court extends the time for hearing under subdivision (g), not to exceed 25 days, unless otherwise modified or terminated by the court.
- (j)(1) In the discretion of the court, an order issued after notice and hearing under this section may have a duration of no more than five years, subject to termination or modification by further order of the court either on written stipulation filed with the court or on the motion of a party. The order may be renewed, upon the request of a party, for a duration

Emergency protective order duration:

The close of judicial business on the fifth (5th) court day, or the seventh (7th) calendar day after issuance, whichever is earlier.

Injunction against harassment duration:

Temporary - Not to exceed twenty-one (21) days, or if time is extended, not to exceed twenty-five (25) days.

Final order - Five (5) years. The injunction is effective until final judgment is entered or petition is dismissed, or until further order of court.

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STATE	of no more than five additional years, without a showing of any further harassment since the issuance of the original order, subject to termination or modification by further order of the court either on written stipulation filed with the court or on the motion of a party. A request for renewal may be brought any time within the three months before the order expires. CAL. CODE CIV. PROC. § 527.6 (f), (j)(l) Temporary restraining order: Upon filing the petition and issuance of the summons and upon personal service of the petition and summons on the respondent or upon waiver and acceptance of service by the respondent, the temporary restraining order under this part shall be in effect against the parties until the final judgment is entered or the petition is dismissed, or until further order of the court.	Temporary restraining order duration: Remain in effect against the parties until the final judgment is entered.
COLORADO	Procedure for permanent civil protection order If upon such examination the judge or magistrate finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the respondent has committed acts constituting grounds for issuance of a civil protection order and that unless restrained will continue to commit such acts or acts designed to intimidate or retaliate against the protected person, the judge or magistrate shall order the temporary civil protection order to be made permanent or enter a permanent civil protection order with provisions different from the temporary civil protection order. Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 13-14-106(1)(a) Procedure for temporary civil protection order	Duration of order: Permanent. Temporary protection order duration:
	The return date of the citation must be set not more than fourteen days after the issuance of the temporary civil protection order and citation. If the petitioner is unable to serve the respondent in that period, the court shall extend the temporary protection order	Fourteen (14) Days. Not exceeding one (1) year after the date of the hearing

previously issued, continue the show of cause hearing, and issue an alias citation stating the date and time to which the hearing is continued. The petitioner may thereafter request, and the court may grant, additional continuances as needed if the petitioner has still been unable to serve the respondent.

Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 13-14-104.5 (10)

Emergency protection orders

An emergency protection order issued pursuant to this subsection (1) shall expire not later than the close of judicial business on the next day of judicial business following the day of issue, unless otherwise continued by the court.

Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 13-14-103(1)(f)

Continuance of temporary protection order:

Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subsection (1), the judge or magistrate, after examining the record and the evidence, for good cause shown, may continue the temporary protection order and the show cause hearing to a date certain not to exceed one year after the date of the hearing if he or she determines such continuance would be in the best interests of the parties and if both parties are present at the hearing and agree to the continuance. In addition, each party may request one continuance for a period not to exceed fourteen days, which the judge or magistrate, after examining the record and the evidence, may grant upon a finding of good cause.

Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 13-14-106(1)(b)

Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (b) of this subsection (1), for a protection order filed in a proceeding commenced under the "Uniform Dissolution of Marriage Act", article 10 of title 14, C.R.S., the court may, on the motion of either party if both parties agree to the continuance, continue the temporary protection order until the time of the final decree or final disposition of the action. Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 13-14-106(1)(c)

Emergency protection order duration:

Close of next judicial business day.

Continuance of temporary protection order duration:

Not to exceed one (1) year, but each party may request an additional period not exceeding fourteen (14) days. If filed under the "Uniform Dissolution of Marriage Act – until final decree or final disposition of the action.

CONNECTICUT

Relief from physical abuse, stalking or pattern of threatening by family or household member.

No order of the court shall exceed one year, except that an order may be extended by the court upon motion of the applicant for such additional time as the court deems necessary.

Conn. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 46b-15(g)

Ex Parte order:

Upon receipt of the application the court shall order that a hearing on the application be held not later than fourteen days from the date of the order except that, if the application indicates that the respondent holds a permit to carry a pistol or revolver, an eligibility certificate for a pistol or revolver, a long gun eligibility certificate or an ammunition certificate or possesses one or more firearms or ammunition, and the court orders an ex parte order, the court shall order that a hearing be held on the application not later than seven days from the date on which the ex parte order is issued.

If a hearing on the application is scheduled or an ex parte order is granted and the court is closed on the scheduled hearing date, the hearing shall be held on the next day the court is open and any such ex parte order shall remain in effect until the date of such hearing.

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 46b-15(b)

If the court issues an ex parte order pursuant to subsection (b) of this section and service has not been made on the respondent in conformance with subsection (h) of this section, upon request of the applicant, the court shall, based on the information contained in the original application, extend any ex parte order for an additional period not to exceed fourteen days from the originally scheduled hearing date. The clerk shall prepare a new order of hearing and notice containing the new hearing date, which shall be served upon the respondent in accordance with the provisions of subsection (h) of this section.

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 46b-15(c)

Protective order duration:

One (1) Year. May be extended beyond one (1) year.

Ex parte order duration:

Effective until the date of hearing (generally no more than 14 days).

Standing criminal protective orders:

If any person is convicted of (1) a violation of section 53a-70b of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2019, or subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of section 53-21, section 53a-59, 53a-59a, 53a-60, 53a-60a, 53a-60b, 53a-60c, 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70c, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b, 53a-73a, 53a-181c, 53a-181d, 53a-181e, 53a-182b or 53a-183, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 53a-192a, section 53a-223, 53a-223a or 53a-223b or attempt or conspiracy to violate any of said sections or section 53a-54a, or (2) any crime that the court determines constitutes a family violence crime, as defined in section 46b-38a, or attempt or conspiracy to commit any such crime, the court may, in addition to imposing the sentence authorized for the crime under section 53a-35a or 53a-36, if the court is of the opinion that the history and character and the nature and circumstances of the criminal conduct of such offender indicate that a standing criminal protective order will best serve the interest of the victim and the public, issue a standing criminal protective order which shall remain in effect for a duration specified by the court until modified or revoked by the court for good cause shown. If any person is convicted of any crime not specified in subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection, the court may, for good cause shown, issue a standing criminal protective order pursuant to this subsection. CONN. GEN. STAT. § 53a-40e(a)

Standing criminal protective orders:

Effective for a duration specified by the court until modified or revoked by the court for good cause shown.

Note: As in a post of the Connecticut Judicial Branch Website (https://www.jud.ct.gov/statistics/prot_restrain/default.htm): Family Violence Protective Order (section 46b-38c of the Connecticut General Statutes) is usually in effect from the date they are issued until the criminal case is sentenced and/or disposed of. In some cases, a protective order can be removed prior to the underlying case being settled.

Restraining Order After Hearing (section 46b-15 of the Connecticut General Statutes) is issued after a hearing on an ex parte restraining order, or an Order for Hearing and Notice Summons. Generally speaking, it is effective for 6 months from the date of the hearing. A victim/applicant can request that the restraining order after the hearing be extended when the 6 months is about to run out. They must file a motion to extend and the respondent must again get notice.

These two-duration information cannot be found specifically in text of corresponding statute.

DELAWARE

Relief available; duration of orders, modification and termination

Relief granted under this section shall be effective for a fixed period of time not to exceed 1 year, except that relief granted under paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section may be entered for a fixed period of time not to exceed 2 years, unless a longer period of time is ordered pursuant to subsection (c) or (f) of this section.

Order duration:

No more than one (1) year in general No more than two (2) years for a relief to (1) restrain the respondent from committing acts of domestic violence, and (2) restrain the respondent from contacting or attempting to contact the petitioner.

Can be permanent for aggravating circumstances.

DEL. CODE ANN. tit. 10, § 1045 (b)

An order issued under this part may be extended, or terms of the order modified, upon motion of either party. Hearings on such motions shall be scheduled within 30 days after proof of service on the respondent is filed. Such motions may be heard on an emergency basis if filed in accordance with § 1043 of this title. Orders may be extended only after the Court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that domestic violence has occurred since the entry of the order, a violation of the order has occurred, if the respondent consents to the extension of the order or for good cause shown.

Del. Code Ann. tit. 10, § 1045(c)

Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, upon a finding that aggravating circumstances exist, the Court may grant no contact relief pursuant to paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section for as long as reasonably necessary to prevent further acts of abuse or domestic violence, up to and including the entry of a permanent order of the Court. An order entered pursuant to this subsection may only be modified or amended upon motion of a party for good cause shown. For purposes of this subsection, aggravating circumstances shall mean physical injury or serious physical injury to the petitioner caused by the respondent; the use of a deadly weapon or dangerous instrument against the petitioner by the respondent; a history of repeated violations of prior protective orders by the respondent; prior convictions for crimes against the petitioner by the respondent; the exposure of any member of the petitioner's family or household to physical injury or serious physical injury by the respondent; or any other acts of abuse which the Court believes constitute an immediate and ongoing danger to the petitioner or any member of the petitioner's family or household.

DEL. CODE ANN. tit. 10, § 1045(f)

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STATE	(a) After consideration of a petition for a protective order, the Court may grant relief as follows: (1) Restrain the respondent from committing acts of domestic violence, as defined in § 1041 of this title; (2) Restrain the respondent from contacting or attempting to contact the petitioner; DEL. CODE ANN. tit. 10, § 1045(a)(1)–(2) Ex parte orders and emergency hearings In any case in which an ex parte protective order has been issued, a full hearing shall be held within 15 days. The Court may extend an ex parte order as needed, but not to exceed 30 days, to effectuate service of the order or where necessary to continue protection. DEL. CODE ANN. tit. 10, § 1043(d)	Ex parte order duration: Fifteen (15) days. Extended as needed, but not to exceed thirty (30) days.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Protection Order A civil protection order issued pursuant to this section shall remain in effect for an initial period not to exceed 2 years. (d-1) (3) For each request for an extension, the judicial officer may extend an order for the period of time the judicial officer deems appropriate, but before granting any single extension longer than 2 years, the judicial officer shall find: (A) That the respondent has violated the civil protection order; (B) That prior to obtaining the order being extended, the petitioner had previously obtained a civil protection order or foreign protection order as that term is defined in subchapter IV of this chapter against the same respondent; or (C) Other compelling circumstances related to the petitioner's safety or welfare. D.C. Code § 16-1005(d-1)(3)	Order duration: No more than 2 years unless the judicial officer extends the order for the period of time the judicial officer deems appropriate.
	Temporary order duration: (1) A temporary protection order shall remain in effect for an initial period not to exceed 14 days as necessary to complete service and the hearing on the petition.	Temporary order duration: No more than 14 days unless the court extend it as necessary.

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	(2) The court may extend a temporary protection order as necessary to complete service and the hearing on the petition: (A) In 14-day increments; (B) In increments up to 28 days for good cause; or (C) For a longer time period with the consent of both parties. D.C. Code § 16-1004 (e)	
FLORIDA	Injunction for Protection Against Domestic Violence The terms of an injunction restraining the respondent under subparagraph (a)1. or ordering other relief for the protection of the victim under subparagraph (a)8. shall remain in effect until modified or dissolved. Either party may move at any time to modify or dissolve the injunction. No specific allegations are required. Such relief may be granted in addition to other civil or criminal remedies. Fla. Stat. §741.30(6)(c)	Order duration: Permanent.
	Ex Parte order: Any such ex parte temporary injunction shall be effective for a fixed period not to exceed 15 days. A full hearing, as provided by this section, shall be set for a date no later than the date when the temporary injunction ceases to be effective. The court may grant a continuance of the hearing before or during a hearing for good cause shown by any party, which shall include a continuance to obtain service of process. Any injunction shall be extended if necessary to remain in full force and effect during any period of continuance. Fla. Stat. § 741.30(5)(c)	Ex parte order duration: Fifteen (15) Days.
	Injunction for Protection Against Repeat Violence/ Dating Violence/Sexual Assault The terms of the injunction shall remain in full force and effect until modified or dissolved. Either party may move at any time to modify or dissolve the injunction. Such relief may be granted in addition to	Injunction duration: Permanent.

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	other civil or criminal remedies. Fla. Stat. §784.046(7)(c)	
	Ex parte injunction: Any such ex parte temporary injunction shall be effective for a fixed period not to exceed 15 days. However, an ex parte temporary injunction granted under subparagraph (2)(c)2. is effective for 15 days following the date the respondent is released from incarceration. A full hearing, as provided by this section, shall be set for a date no later than the date when the temporary injunction ceases to be effective. The court may grant a continuance of the ex parte injunction and the full hearing before or during a hearing, for good cause shown by any party. Fla. Stat. § 784.046(6)(c)	Ex parte injunction duration: Fifteen (15) Days.
GEORGIA	Protective Order Any order granted under this Code section shall remain in effect for up to one year; provided, however, that upon the motion of a petitioner and notice to the respondent and after a hearing, the court in its discretion may convert a temporary order granted under this Code section to an order effective for not more than three years or to a permanent order. Ga. Code. Ann. § 19-13-4(c)	Protective order duration: One (1) year. Can be extended to an order effective for not more than three (3) years or to a permanent order.
	Petition; hearing Within ten days of the filing of the petition under this article or as soon as practical thereafter, but not later than 30 days after the filing of the petition, a hearing shall be held at which the petitioner must prove the allegations of the petition by a preponderance of the evidence as in other civil cases. In the event a hearing cannot be scheduled within the county where the case is pending within the 30-day period the same shall be scheduled and heard within any other county of that circuit. If a hearing is not held within 30 days of the filing of the petition, the petition shall stand dismissed unless the parties otherwise agree. Ga. Code. Ann. § 19-13-3(c)	Petition; Hearing: Held within thirty (30) days of the filing of the petition.

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GUAM	Ex parte protection order: An order of protection granted ex parte pursuant to subsection (g) of § 13302 shall expire in three working days after a child is taken into protective custody. 19 GUAM CODE ANN. § 13315(b)	Ex parte protection order: 3 working days
	Protection order: (b) Any protection order or approved consent agreement <i>shall</i> be for a fixed period of time as the court deems appropriate. The court may amend its order or agreement at any time upon subsequent petition or motion filed by either party. 7 GUAM CODE ANN. 40105(b)	Protection order : fixed period of time as court deems appropriate
	Emergency protection order: Any order issued under subsection (a) shall expire as of the resumption of business of the court at the beginning of the week or within seventy-two (72) hours, whichever occurs sooner, at which time the plaintiff may seek a temporary order from the court. § 40107. Emergency Relief., 7 Guam Code Ann. § 40107	Emergency protection order: 72 hours or the resumption of business of the court at the beginning of the week, whichever is sooner.
	Hearing: Within 10 days of the filing of a petition under this Chapter, a hearing shall be held at which the plaintiff must prove the allegation of abuse by a preponderance of the evidence. 7 GUAM CODE ANN. § 40104(a)	Hearing: must occur within 10 days
	If a hearing under subsection (a) is continued, the court may make or extend such temporary orders under subsection (b) as it deems necessary. 7 GUAM CODE ANN. § 40104 (c)	
HAWAII	Protection Order If, after hearing all relevant evidence, the court finds that the respondent has failed to show cause why the order should not	Protection order duration: A period as the court deems appropriate.

be continued and that a protective order is necessary to prevent domestic abuse or a recurrence of abuse, the court may order that a protective order be issued for a further fixed reasonable period as the court deems appropriate. HAW. REV. STAT. ANN. § 586-5.5(a)

Period of order; hearing

A temporary restraining order granted pursuant to this chapter shall remain in effect at the discretion of the court, for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the date the order is granted or until the effective date, as defined in section 586-5.6, of a protective order issued by the court, whichever occurs first. Haw. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 586-5(a)

Restraining Order/Injunction from Harassment

If the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that harassment as defined in paragraph (1) of that definition exists, it may enjoin for no more than three years further harassment of the petitioner, or that harassment as defined in paragraph (2) of that definition exists, it shall enjoin for no more than three years further harassment of the petitioner, including, in the case where any party is enjoined from harassing a minor, for a period extending to a date after the minor has reached eighteen years of age; provided that this subsection shall not prohibit the court from issuing other injunctions against the named parties even if the time to which the injunction applies exceeds a total of three years. Haw. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 604-10.5(g)

Temporary harassment restraining order:

A temporary restraining order that is granted under this section shall remain in effect at the discretion of the court for a period not to exceed ninety days from the date the order is granted including, in the case where a temporary restraining order restrains any party from harassing a minor, for a period extending to a date after the

Temporary order duration:

One Hundred Eighty (180) Days or until the effective date of a protective order

Restraining order duration:

No More Than Three (3) Years.

Temporary harassment restraining order duration:

Ninety (90) Days.

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	minor has reached eighteen years of age. A hearing on the petition to enjoin harassment shall be held within fifteen days after the temporary restraining order is granted. If service of the temporary restraining order has not been effected before the date of the hearing on the petition to enjoin, the court may set a new date for the hearing; provided that the new date shall not exceed ninety days from the date the temporary restraining order was granted. Haw. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 604-10.5(g)	
IDAHO	Protection Order Any relief granted by the protection order, other than a judgment for costs, shall be for a fixed period not to exceed one (1) year; provided, that an order obtained pursuant to this chapter may, upon motion and upon good cause shown, continue for an appropriate time period as directed by the court or be made permanent if the requirements of this chapter are met, provided the order may be terminated or modified by further order of the court either on written stipulation filed with the court or on the motion of a party and after a hearing on the motion. The motion to renew an order may be granted without a hearing, if not timely objected to by the party against whom the order was entered. Idaho Code § 39-6306(5)	Protection order duration: One (1) Year. Upon motion can be permanent.
	Ex Parte Temporary Protection Order An ex parte temporary protection order shall be effective for a fixed period not to exceed fourteen (14) days, but may be reissued. Idaho Code § 39-6308(5)	Ex parte order duration: Fourteen (14) Days but may be reissued.
ILLINOIS	Duration and extension of final protective orders	Protection order duration
ILLINOIS	If entered during pre-trial release, until disposition, withdrawal, or dismissal of the underlying charge; if, however, the case is continued as an independent cause of action, the order's duration may be for a fixed period of time not to exceed 2 years; 725 Ill. Comp. Stat. 5 / 112A-20(b)(1)	Two (2) Years. May be extended to permanent. Or until withdrawal or dismissal

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STATE	Any domestic violence order of protection or civil no contact order that expires 2 years after the expiration of the defendant's sentence under paragraph (2), (3), or (4) of subsection (b) of Section 112A-20 of this Article [725 ILCS 5/112A-20] may be extended one or more times, as required. 725 Ill. Comp. Stat. 5 / 112A-20(e) Emergency protective orders: Unless re-opened or extended or voided by entry of an order of greater duration, an emergency order shall be effective for not less than 14 nor more than 21 days. 740 Ill. Comp. Stat. 22 / 216 (a) Any emergency or plenary order may be extended one or more times, as required, provided that the requirements of Section 214 or 215 [740 ILCS 22/214 or 740 ILCS 22/215], as appropriate, are satisfied. If the motion for extension is uncontested and the petitioner seeks no modification of the order, the order may be extended on the basis of the petitioner's motion or affidavit stating that there has been no material change in relevant circumstances since entry of the order and stating the reason for the requested extension. Extensions may be granted only in open court and not under the provisions of subsection (c) of Section 214, which applies only when the court is unavailable at the close of business or on a court holiday. 740 Ill. Comp. Stat. 22/216 (c)	Emergency protective order duration: No less than fourteen (14) and no more than twenty-one (21) days. May be extended one or more times, as appropriate.
INDIANA	Duration of protection orders (issued ex parte or upon notice and hearing) (f) Except as provided in subsection (g), an order for protection issued ex parte or upon notice and a hearing, or a modification of an order for protection issued ex parte or upon notice and a hearing, is effective for two (2) years after the date of issuance unless another date is ordered by the court.	Duration of protection orders (issued ex parte or upon notice and hearing) Two (2) Years or lifetime if (1) the respondent is a sex or violent offender, or (2) the petitioner was the victim of a registered lifetime sex or violent offender.

STATE STATE CODE PROVISION **TIME LIMIT** Ind. Code Ann. § 34-26-5-9(f) (g) This subsection applies to an order for protection issued ex parte or upon notice and a hearing, or to a modification of an order for protection issued ex parte or upon notice and a hearing, if: (1) the respondent named in the order is a sex or violent offender (as defined in IC 11-8-8-5) and is required to register as a lifetime sex or violent offender under IC 11-8-8-19; and (2) the petitioner was the victim of the crime that resulted in the requirement that the respondent register as a lifetime sex or violent offender under IC 11-8-8-19. An order for protection to which this subsection applies is effective indefinitely after the date of issuance unless another date is ordered by the court. The sheriff of each county shall provide expedited service for an order for protection. Ind. Code Ann. § 34-26-5-9(g) Orders issued before July 1, 2002 Orders issued before July 1, 2002: (a) A protective order issued before July 1, 2002, under IC 31-34-17, Remains in effect for the period indicated in the court order IC 31-37-16, or IC 34-26-2 (before their repeal) remains in effect for the period indicated in the court order granting the protective order. (b) A protective order issued before July 1, 2002, under IC 31-14-16 or IC 31-15-5 remains in effect for the period indicated in the court order granting the protective order. Ind. Code Ann. § 34-26-5-20(a)–(b) Hearing on petition after ex parte order; availability of relief; **Hearing:** continuation Must be held within thirty (30) Days. **Hearings** (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), if a court issues: (1) an order for protection ex parte; or

(2) a modification of an order for protection ex parte; and provides relief under section 9(c) of this chapter, upon a request by either party not more than thirty (30) days after service

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	of the order or modification, the court shall set a date for a hearing on the petition. The hearing must be held not more than thirty (30) days after the request for a hearing is filed unless continued by the court for good cause shown. The court shall notify both parties by first class mail of the date and time of the hearing. (b) A court shall set a date for a hearing on the petition not more than thirty (30) days after the filing of the petition if a court issues an order for protection ex parte or a modification of an order of protection ex parte and: (1) a petitioner requests or the court provides relief under section 9(c)(3), 9(c)(5), 9(c)(6), 9(c)(7), or 9(c)(8) of this chapter; or (2) a petitioner requests relief under section 9(d)(2), 9(d)(3), or 9(d)(4) of this chapter. Ind. Code Ann. § 34-26-5-10	
IOWA	Criminal No-Contact Order A no-contact order issued pursuant to this section shall be issued in addition to any other conditions of release imposed by a magistrate pursuant to section 811.2. The no-contact order has force and effect until it is modified or terminated by subsequent court action in a contempt proceeding or criminal or juvenile court action and is reviewable in the manner prescribed in section 811.2. Upon final disposition of the criminal or juvenile court action, the court shall terminate or modify the no-contact order pursuant to section 664A.5. Iowa Code Ann. § 664A.3(3) Upon the filing of an application by the state or by the victim of any public offense referred to in section 664A.2, subsection 1 which is filed within ninety days prior to the expiration of a modified no-contact order, the court shall modify and extend the no-contact order for an additional period of five years, unless the court finds that the defendant no longer poses a threat to the safety of the victim, persons residing with the victim, or members of the victim's	Criminal No-Contact Order: lasts until it is modified or terminated by a subsequent judicial action. Can be modified any number of times with no limit.

family. The number of modifications extending the no-contact order permitted by this section is not limited. Iowa Code Ann. § 664A.8

Civil injunction to restrain harassment or intimidation of victims or witnesses (temporary order)

A temporary restraining order issued under this section shall expire at such time as the court directs, not to exceed ten days from issuance. The court, for good cause shown before expiration of the order, may extend the expiration date of the order for up to ten days, or for a longer period agreed to by the adverse party. Iowa Code Ann. § 915.22 (1)(c)

Domestic abuse Protection order

An order for counseling, a protective order, or approved consent agreement shall be for a fixed period of time not to exceed one year. The court may amend or extend its order or a consent agreement at any time upon a petition filed by either party and after notice and hearing. The court may extend the order if the court, after hearing at which the defendant has the opportunity to be heard, finds that the defendant continues to pose a threat to the safety of the victim, persons residing with the victim, or members of the victim's immediate family. At the time of the extension, the parties need not meet the requirement in section 236.2, subsection 2, paragraph "d", that the parties lived together during the last year if the parties met the requirements of section 236.2, subsection 2, paragraph "d", at the time of the original order. The number of extensions that can be granted by the court is not limited.

Domestic abuse emergency order

2. An emergency order issued under subsection 1 shall expire seventy-two hours after issuance. When the order expires, the plaintiff may seek a temporary order from the court pursuant to section 236.4

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Not to exceed 10 days.

Domestic abuse protection order

Not to exceed one year, but can be extended

Domestic abuse emergency order

Lasts for 72 hours

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	Iowa Code Ann. § 236.6(2)	
	Hearings: temporary orders 1. Not less than five and not more than fifteen days after commencing a proceeding and upon notice to the other party, a hearing shall be held at which the plaintiff must prove the allegation of domestic abuse by a preponderance of the evidence. 2. The court may enter any temporary order it deems necessary to protect the plaintiff from domestic abuse prior to the hearing, including temporary custody or visitation orders pursuant to subsection 3, upon good cause shown in an ex parte proceeding. Present danger of domestic abuse to the plaintiff constitutes good cause for purposes of this subsection. A temporary order issued pursuant to this subsection shall specifically include notice that the person may be required to relinquish all firearms, offensive weapons, and ammunition upon the issuance of a permanent order pursuant to section 236.5. 5. If a hearing is continued, the court may make or extend any temporary order under subsection 2, 3, or 4 that it deems necessary. Iowa Code Ann. § 236.4(1), (2), (5)	Hearings: temporary orders Hearing Shall Be Held Between Five (5) and Fifteen (15) Days After Commencement of Proceeding.
KANSAS	Protective Order Subject to the provisions of subsections (b), (c) and (d), a protective order or approved consent agreement shall remain in effect until modified or dismissed by the court and shall be for a fixed period of time not to exceed one year, except as provided in subsection (e)(1) and (e)(2). (1) Upon motion of the plaintiff, such period may be extended for one additional year. (2) Upon verified motion of the plaintiff and after the defendant has been personally served with a copy of the motion and has had an opportunity to present evidence and cross-examine witnesses at a hearing on the motion, if the court determines by a preponderance of the evidence that the defendant has violated a valid protection	Protective order duration: One (1) Year. May be extended to Permanent or be extended for an additional year.

order or (A) has previously violated a valid protection order, or (B) has been convicted of a person felony or any conspiracy, criminal solicitation or attempt thereof, under the laws of Kansas or the laws of any other jurisdiction which are substantially similar to such person felony, committed against the plaintiff or any member of the plaintiff's household, the court shall extend a protective order for not less than two additional years and may extend the protective order up to the lifetime of the defendant. No service fee shall be required for a motion filed pursuant to this subsection.' Kan. Stat. Ann. § 60---3107(e)

Emergency Order

An emergency order issued under subsection (a) shall expire on 5:00 p.m. on the first day when the court resumes court business. At that time, the plaintiff may seek a temporary order from the court.

Kan. Stat. Ann. § 60---3105(b)

Hearings; temporary orders pending hearing, modification

- (a) Within 21 days of the filing of a petition under this act a hearing shall be held at which the plaintiff must prove the allegation of abuse by a preponderance of the evidence and the defendant shall have an opportunity to cross-examine the petitioner's witnesses and present evidence on the defendant's behalf. Upon the filing of the petition, the court shall set the case for hearing and advise the parties of the right to be represented by counsel.
- (b) Prior to the hearing on the petition and upon a finding of good cause shown, the court on motion of a party may enter such temporary relief orders in accordance with subsection (a)(1), (2), (4) or (5) of K.S.A. 60-3107, and amendments thereto, or any combination thereof, as it deems necessary to protect the plaintiff or minor children from abuse. Temporary orders may be granted ex parte. Immediate and present danger of abuse to the plaintiff or minor children shall constitute good cause for purposes of this section. No temporary order shall have the effect of modifying an

Emergency order duration:

First day court resumes business.

Hearings:

Hearing Held Within Twenty---one (21) Days, and temporary orders can be extended.

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	existing order granting legal custody, residency, visitation or parenting time unless there is sworn testimony at a hearing to support a showing of good cause. (c) If a hearing under subsection (a) is continued, the court may make or extend such temporary orders under subsection (b) as it deems necessary. Kan. Stat. Ann. § 60-3106(a)-(c)	
KENTUCKY	Criminal stalking order (5) A restraining order issued pursuant to this section shall be valid for a period of not more than ten (10) years, the specific duration of which shall be determined by the court. Any restraining order shall be based upon the seriousness of the facts before the court, the probability of future violations, and the safety of the victim, his or her immediate family, or both. Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 508.155(5)	Criminal stalking order: No more than 10 years
	Domestic violence protection order (4) A domestic violence order shall be effective for a period of time fixed by the court, not to exceed three (3) years, and may be reissued upon expiration for subsequent periods of up to three (3) years each. The fact that an order has not been violated since its issuance may be considered by a court in hearing a request for a reissuance of the order. Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 403.740(4)	Domestic violence protection order duration: A period of time fixed by the court, not to exceed three (3) Years.
LOUISIANA	Domestic violence protection order	Protection order duration:
LOUISIANA	F. (1) Except as provided in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection, any final protective order or approved consent agreement shall be for a fixed period of time, not to exceed eighteen months, and may be extended by the court, after a contradictory hearing, in its discretion. Such protective order or extension thereof shall be subject to a devolutive appeal only. (2)(a) For any protective order granted by the court which directs	Eighteen (18) Months. May be extended to Permanent.

the defendant to refrain from abusing, harassing, or interfering with the person as provided in R.S. 46:2135(A)(1), the court may grant the order to be effective for an indefinite period of time as provided by the provisions of this Paragraph on its own motion or by motion of the petitioner. The indefinite period shall be limited to the portion of the protective order which directs the defendant to refrain from abusing, harassing, or interfering with the person as provided in R.S. 46:2135(A)(1).

- (b) The hearing for this motion shall be conducted concurrently with the hearing for the rule to show cause why the protective order should not be issued.
- (c) Any motion to modify the indefinite effective period of the protective order as provided in Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph may be granted only after a good faith effort has been made to provide reasonable notice of the hearing to the victim, the victim's designated agent, or the victim's counsel, and either of the following occur:
- (i) The victim, the victim's designated agent, or the victim's counsel is present at the hearing or provides written waiver of such appearance.
- (ii) After a good faith effort has been made to provide reasonable notice of the hearing, the victim could not be located.

La. Stat. Ann. § 46:2136

Temporary restraining order

B. If a temporary restraining order is granted without notice, the matter shall be set within twenty-one days for a rule to show cause why the protective order should not be issued, at which time the petitioner must prove the allegations of abuse by a preponderance of the evidence. The defendant shall be given notice of the temporary restraining order and the hearing on the rule to show cause by service of process as required by law within twenty-four hours of the issuance of the order.

La. Stat. Ann. § 46:2135(B)

E. If the hearing pursuant to Subsection B or D of this Section is

Temporary restraining order: 21 days, with possibility of extension

continued, the court shall make or extend such temporary restraining orders as it deems necessary. Any continuance of a hearing ordered pursuant to Subsection B or D of this Section shall not exceed fifteen days, unless good cause is shown for further continuance.

La. Stat. Ann. § 46:2135(E)

Civil temporary restraining order

A. A temporary restraining order shall be endorsed with the date and hour of issuance; shall be filed in the clerk's office and entered of record; shall state why the order was granted without notice and hearing; and shall expire by its terms within such time after entry, not to exceed ten days, as the court prescribes. A restraining order, for good cause shown, and at any time before its expiration, may be extended by the court for one or more periods not exceeding ten days each. The party against whom the order is directed may consent that it be extended for a longer period. The reasons for each extension shall be entered of record.

B. Nevertheless, in a suit for divorce, a temporary restraining order issued in conjunction with a rule to show cause for a preliminary injunction shall remain in force until a hearing is held on the rule for the preliminary injunction prohibiting a spouse from:

La. Code Civ. Proc. Ann. art. 3604(A), (B)

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C. (1) A temporary restraining order issued in conjunction with a rule to show cause for a protective order filed in an action pursuant to the Protection from Family Violence Act, R.S. 46:2121 et seq., and pursuant to the Protection From Dating Violence Act, R.S. 46:2151, shall remain in force until a hearing is held on the rule for the protective order or for thirty days, whichever occurs first. If the initial rule to show cause is heard by a hearing officer, the temporary restraining order shall remain in force for fifteen days after the hearing or until the judge signs the protective order, whichever occurs last. At any time before the expiration of a

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30 days or until hearing, whichever comes first

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	temporary restraining order issued pursuant to this Paragraph, it may be extended by the court for a period not exceeding thirty days. (2) In the event that the hearing on the rule for the protective order is continued by the court because of a declared state of emergency made in accordance with R.S. 29:724, any temporary restraining order issued in the matter shall remain in force for five days after the date of conclusion of the state of emergency. When a temporary restraining order remains in force under this Paragraph, the court shall reassign the rule for a protective order for hearing at the earliest possible time, but no later than five days after the date of conclusion of the state of emergency. The reassignment of the rule shall take precedence over all matters except older matters of the same character. La. Code Civ. Proc. Ann. art. 3604(C)	
MAINE	Final protection order 5. Final protection order. This subsection applies to a final protection order issued under this chapter. A. A final protection order issued under this chapter must be for a fixed period not to exceed 2 years, unless extended by the court pursuant to section 4111. Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 19-A, § 4110(5)(A) 1. Extension. The court may extend a final protection order issued under this chapter at the time of expiration, upon motion of the plaintiff, for such additional time as the court determines necessary to protect the plaintiff or minor child from abuse or conduct specified in section 4103. A final protection order may be extended more than once and without limitation on the duration of the extension. In determining whether extension of a final protection order is necessary, the court may consider: A. The underlying reasons for the order, including earlier abuse and the history of abuse;	Final protection order: No more than two years but can be extended without limitation. Domestic abuse temporary order: effective pending hearing (up to twenty-one days) Domestic abuse emergency order: effective pending hearing (up to twenty-one days) Protection from harassment: up to one year

- B. Conduct that has occurred since the entry of the final protection order;
- C. The continued effect of any abuse on the plaintiff; and D. All other relevant factors pursuant to the discretion of the court. The court may continue the final protection order in effect until a hearing under section 4109, subsection 1 on the motion to extend. Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 19-A, § 4111(1)
- 1. Full hearing. Within 21 days of the filing of a complaint, a hearing must be held at which the plaintiff must prove the allegation of abuse or conduct specified in section 4103 by a preponderance of the evidence. If a request for temporary, emergency or interim relief is denied, the hearing must be held as soon as practicable within the 21-day period. Nothing in this section limits the court's discretion to continue the final hearing upon the court's own motion or upon the motion of either party.

 Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 19-A, § 4109

Emergency relief. Emergency relief is available as follows.

A. When there is no judge available in the District Court having venue or the District Court courthouse is closed and no other provision can be made for the shelter of an abused family or household member or minor child, a complaint may be presented to another District Court Judge or Superior Court Justice. Upon a showing of good cause, as described in subsection 1, the court may enter temporary orders authorized under this section that it considers necessary to protect the plaintiff or minor child from abuse.

- B. If a complaint is presented under this subsection, that complaint and any temporary order issued pursuant to it must be forwarded immediately to the clerk of the District Court having venue for filing.
- C. A temporary order under this subsection remains in effect pending a hearing pursuant to section 4109.

 Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 19-A, § 4108(4)

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	Harassment 2. Duration. Any protective order or approved consent agreement shall be for a fixed period not to exceed one year. At the expiration of that time, the court may extend an order, upon motion of the plaintiff, for such additional time as it deems necessary to protect the plaintiff from harassment. Upon motion by either party, for sufficient cause, the court may modify the order or agreement from time to time as circumstances require. ME. REV. STAT. tit. 5, § 4655	
MARYLAND	Final protective orders (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, all relief granted in a final protective order shall be effective for the period stated in the order, not to exceed 1 year. (2) All relief granted in a final protective order shall be effective for the period stated in the order, not to exceed 2 years if: (i) the court issues a final protective order under this section against a respondent on behalf of a person eligible for relief: 1. for an act of abuse committed within 1 year after the date that a prior final protective order issued against the same respondent on behalf of the same person eligible for relief expires; or 2. by consent of the respondent within 1 year after the date that a prior final protective order issued against the same respondent on behalf of the same person eligible for relief expires; and (ii) the prior final protective order was issued for a period of at least 6 months. (3) A subsequent circuit court order pertaining to any of the provisions included in the final protective order shall supersede those provisions in the final protective order. Md. Code Ann., Fam. Law. § 4-506(j)	Order duration: One (1) Year. Can be made permanent under certain circumstances. May extend no more than Two (2) Years.
	New Final Protective Order (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the court shall issue a permanent protective order under this subsection	New final protective order duration: New Final Protective Order issued under (k) is permanent unless terminated at request of the victim.

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506(j) of this subtitle, after:

respondent; and

(i) giving notice to all affected persons eligible for relief and the

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	 (ii) a hearing. (3) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, a judge may extend the term of a protective order for a period not to exceed 2 years from the date the extension is granted if: *** (ii) The judge may extend the term of the protective order under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph after: 1. giving notice to all affected persons eligible for relief and the respondent; and 2. a hearing. *** (4) (i) If, during the term of a final protective order, a petitioner or person eligible for relief files a motion to extend the term of the order under paragraph (2) or (3) of this subsection, the court shall hold a hearing on the motion within 30 days after the motion is filed. (ii) If the hearing on the motion is not held before the original expiration date of the final protective order, the order shall be automatically extended and the terms of the order shall remain in full force and effect until the hearing on the motion. Md. Code Ann., Fam. Law. § 4-507 (a) 	
	Interim protective order: (h)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an interim protective order shall be effective until the earlier of: (i) the temporary protective order hearing under § 4-505 of this subtitle; or (ii) the end of the second business day the Office of the Clerk of the District Court is open following the issuance of an interim protective order. (2) If the court is closed on the day on which the interim protective order is due to expire, the interim protective order shall be effective until the next day on which the court is open, at which time the	Interim protective order duration: The earlier of: two (2) Business days or the temporary protective order hearing.

court shall hold a temporary protective order hearing. Md. Code Ann., Fam. Law § 4-504.1(h)

Temporary protective orders

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the temporary protective order shall be effective for not more than 7 days after service of the order.
- (2) The judge may extend the temporary protective order as needed, but not to exceed 6 months, to effectuate service of the order where necessary to provide protection or for other good cause.
- (3) If the court is closed on the day on which the temporary protective order is due to expire, the temporary protective order shall be effective until the second day on which the court is open, by which time the court shall hold a final protective order hearing.

Md. Code Ann., Fam. Law. § 4-505(c)(1)-(2)

Peace Order

All relief granted in a final peace order shall be effective for the period stated in the order, not to exceed 6 months.

Md. Code Ann., Cts. & Jud. Proc. §3---1505 (f)

Temporary peace orders

- (c)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the temporary peace order shall be effective for not more than 7 days after service of the order.
- (2) The judge may extend the temporary peace order as needed, but not to exceed 30 days, to effectuate service of the order where necessary to provide protection or for other good cause.
- (3) If the court is closed on the day on which the temporary peace order is due to expire, the temporary peace order shall be effective until the second day on which the court is open, by which time the court shall hold a final peace order hearing.

Temporary protective order duration:

Seven (7) Days After Service. Judge can extend for up to six (6) months.

Peace order duration:

Six (6) months.

Temporary peace order duration:

Seven (7) Days After Service. Judge can extend for up to thirty (30) days.

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	Md. Code Ann., Cts. & Jud. Proc. § 3-1504 (c)	
MASSACHUSETTS	Protection Order Any relief granted by the court shall not extend for a period exceeding 1 year. Every order shall, on its face, state the time and date the order is to expire and shall include the date and time that the matter will again be heard. If the plaintiff appears at the court at the date and time the order is to expire, the court shall determine whether or not to extend the order for any additional time reasonably necessary to protect the plaintiff or to enter a permanent order. When the expiration date stated on the order is on a date when the court is closed to business, the order shall not expire until the next date that the court is open to business. The plaintiff may appear on such next court business day at the time designated by the order to request that the order be extended. The court may also extend the order upon motion of the plaintiff, for such additional time as it deems necessary to protect the plaintiff from harassment. The fact that harassment has not occurred during the pendency of an order shall not, in itself, constitute sufficient ground for denying or failing to extend the order, or allowing an order to expire or be vacated or for refusing to issue a new order. Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch.258E, §3(d)	Protection order duration: One (1) Year. Can be extended upon request as deemed necessary to protect plaintiff from harassment
	Temporary orders If the plaintiff demonstrates a substantial likelihood of immediate danger of harassment, the court may enter such temporary relief orders without notice as it deems necessary to protect the plaintiff from harassment and shall immediately thereafter notify the defendant that the temporary orders have been issued. The court shall give the defendant an opportunity to be heard on the question of continuing the temporary order and of granting other relief as requested by the plaintiff not later than 10 court business days after such orders are entered.	Temporary order duration: Ten (10) Court Business Days

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	Mass. Gen. Law Ann. ch. 258E, §5	
MICHIGAN	Personal Protection Order (13) A personal protection order issued under subsection (12) is valid for not less than 182 days. The individual restrained or enjoined may file a motion to modify or rescind the personal protection order and request a hearing under the Michigan court rules. A motion to modify or rescind the personal protection order must be filed within 14 days after the order is served or after the individual restrained or enjoined has received actual notice of the personal protection order unless good cause is shown for filing the motion after the 14 days have elapsed. Mich. Comp. Laws Ann. §600.2950(13) Stalking personal protection order (13) A personal protection order issued under subsection (12) is valid for not less than 182 days. The individual restrained or enjoined may file a motion to modify or rescind the personal protection order and request a hearing under the Michigan court rules. The motion to modify or rescind the personal protection order shall be filed within 14 days after the order is served or after the individual restrained or enjoined receives actual notice of the personal protection order unless good cause is shown for filing the motion after 14 days have elapsed. Mich. Comp. Laws Ann. § 600.2950a (13)	Personal protection order duration: Not less than 182 days. Stalking personal protection order duration: Not less than 182 days.
MINNESOTA	Order for Protection Any relief granted by the order for protection shall be for a period not to exceed two years, except when the court determines a longer period is appropriate. When a referee presides at the hearing on the petition, the order granting relief becomes effective upon the referee's signature. Minn. Stat. § 518B.01, subd. 6(15)(b)	Protection order duration: Two (2) Years. Can be extended up to 50 years under limited circumstances.

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- (c) Relief granted by the order for protection may be for a period of up to 50 years, if the court finds:
- (1) the respondent has violated a prior or existing order for protection on two or more occasions; or
- (2) the petitioner has had two or more orders for protection in effect against the same respondent.

Minn. Stat. § 518B.01, subd. 6a(4)(c)

Ex parte orders

Subject to paragraph (d), an ex parte order for protection shall be effective for a fixed period set by the court, as provided in subdivision 6, paragraph (b), or until modified or vacated by the court pursuant to a hearing.

If personal service is not made or the affidavit is not filed within 14 days of issuance of the ex parte order, the order expires.

Unless personal service is completed, if service by published notice is not completed within 28 days of issuance of the ex parte order, the order expires.

Minn. Stat. § 518B.01, subd. 7(c)-(d)

Harassment Restraining Order

A restraining order may be issued only against the respondent named in the petition; except that if the respondent is an organization, the order may be issued against and apply to all of the members of the organization. If the court finds that the petitioner has had two or more previous restraining orders in effect against the same respondent or the respondent has violated a prior or existing restraining order on two or more occasions, relief granted by the restraining order may be for a period of up to 50 years. In all other cases, relief granted by the restraining order must be for a fixed period of not more than two years. When a referee presides at the hearing on the petition, the restraining order becomes effective upon the referee's signature.

Minn. Stat. § 609.748, subd. 5(b)(3)

Ex parte order duration:

Fourteen (14) days, or Twenty-eight (28) days.

Harassment restraining order duration:

Two (2) Years. Can be extended 50 years under certain circumstances.

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	Temporary harassment restraining order The temporary restraining order is in effect until a hearing is held on the issuance of a restraining order under subdivision 5. The court shall hold the hearing on the issuance of a restraining order if the petitioner requests a hearing. The hearing may be continued by the court upon a showing that the respondent has not been served with a copy of the temporary restraining order despite the exercise of due diligence or if service is made by published notice under subdivision 3 and the petitioner files the affidavit required under that subdivision. Minn. Stat. § 609.748, Subd.4 (d)	Temporary harassment restraining order duration: Effective until a hearing on the restraining order.
MISSISSIPPI	Domestic abuse protection temporary and final order (b) The duration of any temporary domestic abuse protection order issued by a municipal or justice court shall not exceed thirty (30) days. However, if the party to be protected and the respondent do not have minor children in common, the duration of the temporary domestic abuse protection order may exceed thirty (30) days but shall not exceed one (1) year. Miss. Code Ann. § 93-21-15(1)(b)	Temporary order duration: Thirty (30) Days. One (1) year if the party to be protected and the respondent do not have minor children in common.
	Temporary provisions addressing temporary custody, visitation or support of minor children contained in a final domestic abuse protection order issued by a chancery or county court shall be effective for one hundred eighty (180) days. Miss. Code Ann. § 93-21-15(2)(c)	Temporary provisions addressing custody, visitation, or support of minor children duration: One hundred eighty (180) days
	Except as provided below, a final domestic abuse protection order issued by a chancery or county court under the provisions of this chapter shall be effective for such time period as the court deems appropriate. The expiration date of the order shall be clearly stated in the order. Miss. Code Ann. § 93-21-15(2)(b)	Final protection order duration: A period as the court deems appropriate.

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	Emergency domestic abuse protection orders An emergency domestic abuse protection order shall be effective for ten (10) days, or until a hearing may be held, whichever occurs first. If a hearing under this subsection (1) is continued, the court may grant or extend the emergency order as it deems necessary for the protection of the abused person. A continuance under this subsection (1)(c) shall be valid for no longer than twenty (20) days. Miss. Code Ann. § 93-21-13(1)(c)	Emergency protective order duration: Ten (10) Days.
MISSOURI	Duration of orders (1) Not later than fifteen days after the filing of a petition that meets the requirements of section 455.020, a hearing shall be held unless the court deems, for good cause shown, that a continuance should be granted. At the hearing, if the petitioner has proved the allegation of domestic violence, stalking, or sexual assault by a preponderance of the evidence, and the respondent cannot show that his or her actions alleged to constitute abuse were otherwise justified under the law, the court shall issue a full order of protection for a period of time the court deems appropriate, and unless after an evidentiary hearing the court makes specific written findings that the respondent poses a serious danger to the physical or mental health of the petitioner or of a minor household member of the petitioner, the protective order shall be valid for at least one hundred eighty days and not more than one year. If, after an evidentiary hearing, the court makes specific written findings that the respondent poses a serious danger to the physical or mental health of the petitioner or of a minor household member of the petitioner, the protective order shall be valid for at least two years and not more than ten years. Mo. Rev. Staat § 455.040 (1)	Protection order duration: Between One Hundred Eighty (180) Days and One (1) Year.
	Protection ordersex parte Upon the filing of a verified petition pursuant to sections 455.010 to 455.085 and for good cause shown in the petition, the court may immediately issue an ex parte order of protection. An immediate and present danger of domestic violence to the petitioner or the	Ex parte protection order duration: Until there is valid service of process and a hearing is held on the motion.

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	child on whose behalf the petition is filed shall constitute good cause for purposes of this section. An ex parte order of protection entered by the court shall take effect when entered and shall remain in effect until there is valid service of process and a hearing is held on the motion. The court shall deny the ex parte order and dismiss the petition if the petitioner is not authorized to seek relief pursuant to section 455.020. Mo. Rev. Stat. § 455.035(1)	
MONTANA	Written orders of protection	Protection order duration:
	(1) The court may, on the basis of the respondent's history of violence, the severity of the offense at issue, and the evidence presented at the hearing, determine that to avoid further injury or harm, the petitioner needs permanent protection. The court may order that the order of protection remain in effect permanently. Mont. Code Ann., § 40-15-204(1)	Permanent.
	In a dissolution proceeding, the district court may, upon request, issue either an order of protection for an appropriate period of time or a permanent order of protection. Mont. Code Ann., § 40-15-204(2)	For dissolution proceeding – appropriate period of time, or permanent.
	An order of protection may include restraining the respondent from any other named family member who is a minor. If this restriction is included, the respondent must be restrained from having contact with the minor for an appropriate time period as directed by the court or permanently if the court finds that the minor was a victim of abuse, a witness to abuse, or endangered by the environment of abuse. Mont. Code Ann., § 4015204(4)	Appropriate period of time, or permanent.
	An order of protection issued under this section may continue for an appropriate time period as directed by the court or be made permanent under subsection (1), (2), or (4). The order may be terminated upon the petitioner's request that the order be dismissed.	

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	Mont. Code Ann., § 40-15-204(5)	
	Temporary order of protection The court may, without requiring prior notice to the respondent, issue an immediate temporary order of protection for up to 20 days if the court finds, on the basis of the petitioner's sworn petition or other evidence, that harm may result to the petitioner if an order is not issued before the 20-day period for responding has elapsed. Mont. Code Ann. §40-15-201(4)	Temporary order of protection duration: Twenty (20) Days
NEBRASKA	Protection order A protection order shall specify that it is effective for a period of one year and, if the order grants temporary custody, the number of days of custody granted to the petitioner unless otherwise modified by the court. Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 42-924 (3)	Protection order duration: One (1) Year.
	Ex Parte Protection Order If an order is issued ex parte, such order is a temporary order and the court shall forthwith cause notice of the petition and order to be given to the respondent. The court shall also cause a form to request a show-cause hearing to be served upon the respondent. If the respondent wishes to appear and show cause why the order should not remain in effect, he or she shall affix his or her current address, telephone number, and signature to the form and return it to the clerk of the district court within ten business days after service upon him or her. Upon receipt of a timely request for a show-cause hearing, the request of the petitioner, or upon the court's own motion, the court shall immediately schedule a show-cause hearing to be held within thirty days after the receipt of the request for a show-cause hearing and shall notify the petitioner and respondent of the hearing date. The petition and affidavit shall	Ex parte order: Respondent has 10 (ten) days to request a hearing. If no hearing requested, the service of the ex parte order will be notice of the final protection order. If there is a hearing requested, the ex parte order will either be rescinded or the temporary order will be affirmed and deemed the final order.

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	be deemed to have been offered into evidence at any show-cause hearing. The petition and affidavit shall be admitted into evidence unless specifically excluded by the court. If the respondent appears at the hearing and shows cause why such order should not remain in effect, the court shall rescind the temporary order. Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 42-925 (1)	
NEVADA	Expiration, conversion, modification and dissolution of order; hearing 1. A temporary order expires within such time, not to exceed 45 days, as the court fixes. If an application for an extended order is filed within the period of a temporary order or at the same time that an application for a temporary order is filed, the temporary order remains in effect until: (a) The hearing on the extended order is held; or (b) If the court schedules a second or third hearing pursuant to subsection 5 or 6 of NRS 33.020, the date on which the second or third hearing on an application for an extended order is held. 2. On 2 days' notice to the party who obtained the temporary order, the adverse party may appear and move its dissolution or modification, and in that event the court shall proceed to hear and determine such motion as expeditiously as the ends of justice require. 3. An extended order expires within such time, not to exceed 2 years, as the court fixes. A temporary order may be converted by the court, upon notice to the adverse party and a hearing, into an extended order effective for not more than 2 years. Nev. Rev. Stat. § 33.080	Order duration: Forty-five (45) Days, may be converted into an extended order effective for not more than 2 years.
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Relief. Any order under this section shall be for a fixed period of time not to exceed one year, but may be extended by order of the court	Order duration: One (1) Year and Extensions Up to Five (5) Years.

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	orders; service of process An order for emergency, ex parte relief shall be granted upon good cause shown and shall remain in effect until a judge of the Family Part issues a further order. N.J. Stat. Ann. § 2C:2528(i)	Until further order of the court.
NEW MEXICO	Service of order; duration; penalty; remedies not exclusive An order of protection granted by the court involving custody or support shall be effective for a fixed period of time not to exceed six months. The order may be extended for good cause upon motion of the protected party for an additional period of time not to exceed six months. Injunctive orders shall continue until modified or rescinded upon motion by either party or until the court approves a subsequent consent agreement entered into by the parties. N.M. Stat. Ann. § 40-13-6(C)	Order duration: Not to exceed six (6) months.
NEW YORK	Order of protection An order of protection under section eight hundred forty-one of this part shall set forth reasonable conditions of behavior to be observed for a period not in excess of two years by the petitioner or respondent or for a period not in excess of five years upon (i) a finding by the court on the record of the existence of aggravating circumstances as defined in paragraph (vii) of subdivision (a) of section eight hundred twenty-seven of this article; or (ii) a finding by the court on the record that the conduct alleged in the petition is in violation of a valid order of protection. N.Y. Fam. Ct. Act § 842 Order of protection An order of protection under section eight hundred forty-one of this part shall set forth reasonable conditions of behavior to be observed for a period not in excess of two years by the petitioner or	Protection order duration: Two (2) – Five (5) Years. Temporary ex parte protection order duration: No more than four calendar days after its issuance.

respondent or for a period not in excess of five years upon (i) a finding by the court on the record of the existence of aggravating circumstances as defined in paragraph (vii) of subdivision (a) of section eight hundred twenty-seven of this article; or (ii) a finding by the court on the record that the conduct alleged in the petition is in violation of a valid order of protection.

N.Y. Fam. Ct. Act § 842

Upon sentencing on a conviction for any crime or violation between spouses, between a parent and child, or between members of the same family or household as defined in subdivision one of § 530.11 of this article, the court may in addition to any other disposition, enter an order of protection. The duration of such an order shall be fixed by the court and: (A) in the case of a felony conviction, shall not exceed the greater of: (i) eight years from the date of sentencing, except where the sentence is or includes a sentence of probation on a conviction for a felony sexual assault, as provided in subparagraph (iii) of paragraph (a) of subdivision three of § 65.00 of the penal law, in which case, ten years from the date of such sentencing, or (ii) eight years from the date of the expiration of the minimum term of an indeterminate or the term of a determinate sentence of imprisonment actually imposed; or (B) in the case of a conviction for a class A misdemeanor, shall not exceed the greater of: (i) five years from the date of such sentencing, except where the sentence is or includes a sentence of probation on a conviction for a misdemeanor sexual assault, as provided in subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (b) of subdivision three of § 65.00 of the penal law, in which case, six years from the date of such sentencing, or (ii) five years from the date of the expiration of the maximum term of a definite or intermittent term actually imposed; or (C) in the case of a conviction for any other offense, shall not exceed the greater of (i) two years from the date of sentencing, or (ii) two years from the date of the expiration of the maximum term of a definite or intermittent term actually imposed. For purposes of determining

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	the duration of an order of protection entered pursuant to this subdivision, a conviction shall be deemed to include a conviction that has been replaced by a youthful offender adjudication. N.Y. CLS CPL § 530.12(4)	
NORTH CAROLINA	Domestic Violence Protection Order (b) Protective orders entered pursuant to this Chapter shall be for a fixed period of time not to exceed one year. The court may renew a protective order for a fixed period of time not to exceed two years, including an order that previously has been renewed, upon a motion by the aggrieved party filed before the expiration of the current order; provided, however, that a temporary award of custody entered as part of a protective order may not be renewed to extend a temporary award of custody beyond the maximum one-year period. The court may renew a protective order for good cause. N.C. Gen. Stat. § 50B-3(b)	Protection order duration: One (1) Year.
	Upon the issuance of an ex parte order under this subsection, a hearing shall be held within 10 days from the date of issuance of the order or within seven days from the date of service of process on the other party, whichever occurs later. A continuance shall be limited to one extension of no more than 10 days unless all parties consent or good cause is shown. The hearing shall have priority on the court calendar. N.C. Gen. Stat. § 50B-2(c)(5)	Held within 10 Days
	Civil no-contact order against stalking, sexual conduct (a) A temporary civil no-contact order shall be effective for not more than 10 days as the court fixes, unless within the time so fixed the temporary civil no-contact order, for good cause shown, is extended for a like period or a longer period if the respondent consents. The reasons for the extension shall be stated in the temporary order.	Temporary civil no-contact order duration: No more than ten (10) days.

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	N.C. Gen. Stat. § 50C-8(a) (b) A permanent civil no-contact order shall be effective for a fixed period of time not to exceed one year.	Permanent civil no-contact order duration: Not to exceed one (1) year.
NORTH DAKOTA	Domestic violence protection order The court may amend its order or agreement at any time upon subsequent petition filed by either party. N.D. Cent. Code, §14-07.1-02(6) Temporary protection order Unless otherwise terminated by the court, an ex parte temporary protection order remains in effect until an order issued under § 14-07.1-02 is served. N.D. Cent. Code, § 14-07.1-03(3)	Protection order duration: No fixed duration provided by statute. Ex parte temporary protection order duration: Until final order is served.
	Emergency relief Any order issued under this section expires seventy-two hours after its issuance, unless continued by the court, or the local magistrate in they event of continuing unavailability of the court. N.D. Cent. Code, § 14-07.1-08	Emergency order duration: Seventy-two (72) hours.
ОНІО	Petitions; protection orders concerning domestic violence or sexually oriented offense Any protection order issued or consent agreement approved under this section shall be valid until a date certain, but not later than five years from the date of its issuance or approval, or not later than the date a respondent who is less than eighteen years of age attains nineteen years of age, unless	Order duration: Five (5) Years, or until underage respondent is 19 years old.

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	modified or terminated as provided in division (E)(8) of this section. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3113.31(E)(3)(a)	
OKLAHOMA	Domestic abuse protective order Any protective order issued on or after November 1, 2012, pursuant to subsection C of this section shall be: a. for a fixed period not to exceed a period of five (5) years unless extended, modified, vacated or rescinded upon motion by either party or if the court approves any consent agreement entered into by the plaintiff and defendant; provided, if the defendant is incarcerated, the protective order shall remain in full force and effect during the period of incarceration. The period of incarceration, in any jurisdiction, shall not be included in the calculation of the five-year time limitation, or Okla. Stat. tit. 22 § 60.4(G)(1)(a)	Protection order duration: Five (5) Years.
	Emergency ex parte order and hearingEmergency temporary ex parte order of protection The emergency ex parte order shall be in effect until after the full hearing is conducted. Provided, if the defendant, after having been served, does not appear at the hearing, the emergency ex parte order shall remain in effect until the defendant is served with the permanent order. If the terms of the permanent order are the same as those in the emergency order, or are less restrictive, then it is not necessary to serve the defendant with the permanent order. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall develop a standard form for emergency ex parte protective orders. Okla. Stat. tit. 22 § 60.3(A)	Emergency temporary order duration: Until full hearing is conducted or final order is served.
	Emergency Protective Order	Emergency Protective Order duration:

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	The court shall consider the safety of any and all alleged victims of domestic violence, stalking, harassment, sexual assault, or forcible sodomy where the defendant is alleged to have violated a protective order, committed domestic assault and battery, stalked, sexually assaulted, or forcibly sodomized the alleged victim or victims prior to the release of the alleged defendant from custody on bond. The court, after consideration and to ensure the safety of the alleged victim or victims, may issue an emergency protective order pursuant to the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act. ****	Until either: a plea has been accepted; sentencing has occurred; dismissal of the case; or until further order of the court dismissing the protective order.
	The protective order shall remain in effect until either a plea has been accepted, sentencing has occurred in the case, the case has been dismissed, or until further order of the court dismissing the protective order. Okla. Stat. tit. 22 § 60.17	
OREGON	Domestic abuse protection order The court's order under subsection (1) of this section is effective for a period of one year or until the order is withdrawn or amended, or until the order is superseded as provided in ORS 107.722, whichever is sooner. Or. Rev. Stat. § 107.718(3)	Order duration: One (1) Year.
	Stalking protection order The order is of unlimited duration unless limited by law. Or. Rev. Stat. § 163.738(2)(b)	Protection order duration: Permanent.
	Sexual abuse restraining order A restraining order entered under this section is effective for a period of five years or, if the petitioner is under 18 years of age at the time of entry, until January 1 of the year following the petitioner's 18th birthday, whichever occurs later, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) or (c) of this subsection or unless the restraining order	Restraining order duration: Five (5) Years, or if petitioner is under 18 years of age, until January 1 of the year following the petitioner's 18 th birthday.

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	is renewed, modified or terminated in accordance with ORS 163.760 to 163.777.	
	Or. Rev. Stat. § 163.765(8)(a)	
PENNSYLVANIA	Protection from abuse order A protection order or approved consent agreement shall be for a fixed period of time not to exceed three years. The court may amend its order or agreement at any time upon subsequent petition filed by either party. 23 Pa. Stat. And. Cons. Stat. Ann. § 6108(d)	Order duration: Three (3) Years.
	Hearings The court may enter such a temporary order as it deems necessary to protect the plaintiff or minor children when it finds they are in immediate and present danger of abuse. The order shall remain in effect until modified or terminated by the court after notice and hearing. 23 Pa. Stat. And. Cons. Stat. Ann. § 6107(b)(2)	Temporary order duration: Until modified by the Court.
	Emergency Order An order issued under subsection (a) shall expire at the end of the next business day the court deems itself available. 23 Pa. Stat. And. Cons. Stat. Ann. § 6110(b)	Emergency order duration: The next business day.
PUERTO RICO	Protective Order Every restraining order shall specifically state the determinations of the court, the remedies prescribed, and the term of its effectiveness. P. R. Laws Ann. tit.8, § 626(a)	Order Duration: As determined by the court.
	Ex parte orders ***	Ex parte order duration: Twenty (20) Days.

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	Temporary ordersEx parte proceeding [Family court] Every order granted without notice shall expire by its terms within any time after entry, not to exceed twenty-one (21) days, that the court fixes, unless within the time fixed the order, by consent or for good cause shown and after hearing of argument by the parties or counsel, is extended for an additional period. 15 R.I. Gen. Laws § 15-15-4(a)(2) (1) When the court is unavailable after the close of business, a family court judge may grant relief to the plaintiff as provided in this chapter. (4) Any temporary order granted pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection expires at close of the next business day unless a longer time is granted by the family court judge. 15 R.I. Gen. Laws § 15-15-4(b)(1), (4) [District court]	Temporary, ex parte order duration: Twentyone (21) Days.
SOUTH CAROLINA	Duration of order of protection; modification of terms. An order of protection issued under Section 20-4-60 must be for a fixed time not less than six months nor more than one year unless the parties have reconciled as evidenced by an order of dismissal and may be extended or terminated by order of the court upon motion by either party showing good cause with notice to the other party. S.C. Code Ann. § 20-4-70(A)	Protection order duration: Six (6) Months – One (1) Year.
	Harassment/Stalking A restraining order must be for a fixed period not to exceed one year but may be extended by court order on a motion by the plaintiff, showing good cause, with notice to the defendant.	Harassment order duration: No more than one (1) year.

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	S.C. Code Ann. § 16-3-1780(B) Expiration of temporary restraining orders and restraining orders A temporary restraining order remains in effect until the hearing on the Rule to Show Cause why the order should not be extended for the full one-year period. S.C. Code Ann. § 16-3-1780(A)	Temporary order duration: Until the hearing date.
SOUTH DAKOTA	Time limitation Any relief granted by the order for protection shall be for a fixed period and may not exceed five years. S.D. Codified Laws § 25-10-5	Five (5) Years.
	Limited duration of temporary order An ex parte temporary protection order is effective for a period of thirty days except as provided in § 25-10-7.1 unless for good cause the court grants a continuance. No continuance may exceed thirty days unless the court finds good cause for the additional continuance and: (1) The parties stipulate to an additional continuance; or (2) The court finds that law enforcement is unable to locate the respondent for purposes of service of the ex parte protection order. If a continuance is granted, the court by order shall extend the ex parte temporary protection order until the rescheduled hearing date. S.D. Codified Laws § 25-10-7 Relief granted by protection order	Ex parte order duration Thirty (30) Days. Protection order duration:
	Any relief granted by the order for protection shall be for a fixed period and may not exceed five years. S.D. Codified Laws § 22-19A-11	Five (5) Years.

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	Ex parte temporary order pending full hearing on petition for protection If an affidavit filed with an application under § 22-19A-8 alleges that immediate and irreparable injury, loss, or damage is likely to result before an adverse party or the party's attorney can be heard in opposition, the court may grant an ex parte temporary protection order pending a full hearing and granting relief as the court deems proper, including an order restraining any person from committing acts of stalking or physical injury as a result of an assault or a crime of violence as defined in subdivision 22-1-2(9). An ex parte temporary protection order is effective for a period of thirty days unless for good cause the court grants a continuance. No continuance may exceed thirty days unless the court finds good cause for the additional continuance and: (1) The parties stipulate to an additional continuance; or (2) The court finds that law enforcement is unable to locate the respondent for purposes of service of the ex parte protection order. If a continuance is granted, the court by order shall extend the ex parte temporary protection order until the rescheduled hearing date. S.D. Codified Laws § 22-19A-12	Ex parte order duration: Thirty (30) Days.
TENNESSEE	Protection orders; duration and modification All orders of protection shall be effective for a fixed period of time, not to exceed one (1) year. Tenn. Code Ann. §36-3-608(a) Protection orders; duration If an order of protection is in effect at the time either the petitioner or respondent files a complaint for divorce, the order of protection shall remain in effect until the court to which the divorce action is assigned: (1) Modifies the order; (2) Dissolves the order part of the divorce decree.	Duration: One (1) Year. Duration in the case of divorce: Until modified by the court.

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	Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-3-603(a)	
TEXAS	Duration of Protective Order Except as otherwise provided by this section, an order under this subtitle is effective: (1) for the period stated in the order, not to exceed two years; or (2) if a period is not stated in the order, until the second anniversary of the date the order was issued. (a-1) The court may render a protective order sufficient to protect the applicant and members of the applicant's family or household that is effective for a period that exceeds two years if the court finds that the person who is the subject of the protective order: (1) committed an act constituting a felony offense involving family violence against the applicant or a member of the applicant's family or household, regardless of whether the person has been charged with or convicted of the offense; (2) caused serious bodily injury to the applicant or a member of the applicant's family or household; or (3) was the subject of two or more previous protective orders rendered: (A) to protect the person on whose behalf the current protective order is sought; and (B) after a finding by the court that the subject of the protective order: (i) has committed family violence; and (ii) is likely to commit family violence in the future. Tex. Fam. Code Ann. § 85.025(a) Duration of Protective Order [] If the court does not make a finding that there is no continuing need for the protective order, the protective order remains in effect until the date the order expires under this section.	Duration: Two (2) Years; or longer if certain criteria are met. Can be extended as determined by the court

UTAH

Protective orders

A court may modify or vacate a protective order or any provisions in the protective order after notice and hearing, except that the criminal provisions of a cohabitant abuse protective order may not be vacated within two years of issuance unless [certain requirements are met].

Utah Code Ann. § 78B-7-602(10)

Ex Parte Orders

When a court issues an ex parte cohabitant abuse protective order the court shall set a date for a hearing on the petition to be held within 20 days after the day on which the ex parte cohabitant abuse protective order is issued. If at that hearing the court does not issue a protective order, the ex parte cohabitant abuse protective order shall expire, unless the cohabitant abuse protective order is otherwise extended by the court. Extensions beyond the 20-day period may not by granted unless [certain requirements are met].

Under no circumstances may an ex parte cohabitant abuse protective order be extended beyond 180 days from the day on which the court issues the initial ex parte cohabitant abuse protective order.

Utah Code Ann. § 78B-7-604(1)(a)-(c)

Stalking

If the respondent fails to request a hearing within ten days after the day on which the ex parte civil stalking injunction is served, the ex parte civil stalking injunction is automatically modified to a civil stalking injunction without further notice to the respondent and the civil stalking injunction expires three years after the day on which the ex parte civil stalking injunction is served.

Utah Code Ann. § 78B-7-701(4)(b)(iii)

Civil stalking injunction--Petition--Ex parte injunction

Protective order duration

No less than 2 years or more.

Ex parte order duration

Twenty (20) Days, extension not to exceed 180 days.

Stalking protective order duration:

Three (3) years.

Ex parte stalking injunction duration:

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	The ex parte civil stalking injunction shall be served on the respondent within 90 days after the day on which the ex parte civil stalking injunction is signed. An ex parte civil stalking injunction is effective upon service. If no hearing is requested in writing by the respondent within ten days after the day on which the ex parte civil stalking injunction is served, the ex parte civil stalking injunction automatically becomes a civil stalking injunction without further notice to the respondent and expires three years after the day on which the ex parte civil stalking injunction is served. Utah Code Ann. § 78B-7-701(6)	Three (3) years.
VERMONT	Requests for relief Relief shall be granted for a fixed period, at the expiration of which time the court may extend any order, upon motion of the plaintiff, for such additional time as it deems necessary to protect the plaintiff, the children, or both, from abuse. It is not necessary for the court to find that abuse has occurred during the pendency of the order to extend the terms of the order. The court may modify its order at any subsequent time upon motion by either party and a showing of a substantial change in circumstance. Vt. Stat. Ann. tit.15, § 1103(e)	Order duration: A Period as the Court deems appropriate.
	Emergency relief Defendant's opportunity to contest This opportunity to contest shall be scheduled as soon as reasonably possible, which in no event shall be more than 14 days from the date of issuance of the order. Vt. Stat. Ann. tit.15, § 1104(b)	Emergency relief duration: Fourteen (14) days from issuance.
	Requests for an order against stalking or sexual assault Relief shall be granted for a fixed period, at the expiration of which time the court may extend any order, upon motion of the plaintiff, for such additional time as it deems necessary to protect the	Order against stalking or sexual assault duration: A Period as the Court deems appropriate.

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SIAIL	plaintiff or the plaintiff's children, or both. It is not necessary for the court to find that the defendant stalked or sexually assaulted the plaintiff during the pendency of the order to extend the terms of the order. The court may modify its order at any subsequent time upon motion by either party and a showing of a substantial change in circumstance. Vt. Stat. Ann. tit.12, § 5133(e) Emergency relief Defendant's opportunity to contest This opportunity to contest	Emergency relief duration: Fourteen (14) days from issuance.
	shall be scheduled as soon as reasonably possible, which in no event shall be more than 14 days from the date of issuance of the order. Vt. Stat. Ann. tit.12, § 5134(b)	
VIRGIN ISLANDS	Protective order in cases of family abuse The protective order may be issued for a specified period of time up to a maximum of two years. The protective order shall expire at 11:59 p.m. on the last day specified or at 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the two-year period if no date is specified. Va. Code Ann. §16.1279.1(B)	Order duration: Two (2) Years.
	Preliminary protective orders in cases of family abuse The hearing shall be held within 15 days of the issuance of the preliminary order, unless the court is closed pursuant to §16.1 – 69.35 or 17.1 -207 and such closure prevents the hearing from being held within such time period, in which case the hearing shall be held on the next day not a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which the court is lawfully closed. If the respondent fails to appear at this hearing because the respondent was not personally served, or if personally served was incarcerated and not transported to the hearing, the court may extend the protective order for a period not to exceed six months. Va. Code Ann. § 16.1-253.1 (B)	Preliminary order duration: Fifteen (15) Days

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	Emergency protective orders authorized in certain cases An emergency protective order issued pursuant to this section shall expire at 11:59 p.m. on the third day following issuance. If the expiration occurs on a day that the court is not in session, the emergency protective order shall be extended until 11:59 p.m. on the next day that the juvenile and domestic relations district court is in session. Va. Code Ann. § 16.1253.4 (C)	Emergency protective order duration: Third (3) day following issuance.
VIRGINIA	Protective order in cases of family abuse The protective order may be issued for a specified period of time up to a maximum of two years. The protective order shall expire at 11:59 p.m. on the last day specified or at 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the two-year period if no date is specified. Va. Code Ann. §16.1279.1(B)	Order duration: Two (2) Years.
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	p.m. on the next day that the juvenile and domestic relations district court is in session. Va. Code Ann. § 16.1253.4 (C)	
WASHINGTON	Duration of a Full P r (1) When issuing an order after notice to the respondent and a hearing, the court may either grant relief for a fixed period of time or enter a permanent order of protection. Other than for antiharassment orders, the court shall not grant relief for less than one year unless the petitioner has specifically requested relief for a shorter period of time. (2) a) If a protection order restrains the respondent from contacting the respondent's minor children, the restraint must be for a fixed period not to exceed one year. This limitation is not applicable to protection orders issued under chapter 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW. (b) If the petitioner has petitioned for relief on behalf of the respondent's minor children, the court shall advise the petitioner that if the petitioner wants to continue protection for a period beyond one year, the petitioner may either petition for renewal pursuant to the provisions of this chapter or may seek relief pursuant to the provisions of chapter 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW. Rev. Code Wash. (ARCW) § 7.105.31	Order duration: Fixed period that court deems appropriate or Permanent
	Ex parte temporary order for protection (7) Upon filing a petition for a protection order, the petitioner may request that the court enter an ex parte temporary protection order until a hearing on a full protection order may be held. An ex parte	Ex parte order duration: Not to exceed fourteen (14) days

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	temporary protection order shall be effective for a fixed period of time and shall be issued initially for a period not to exceed 14 days. (8) The court shall set a hearing for a full protection order not later than 14 days from the date of the filing of the petition for a protection order, if the petition for a protection order is filed before 5:00 p.m. on a judicial day. If a petition for a protection order is filed after 5:00 p.m. on a judicial day or is filed on a nonjudicial day, the court shall set a hearing for a full protection order not later than 14 days from the first judicial day after the petition is filed. Rev. Code Wash. (ARCW) § 7.105.305	
WEST VIRGINIA	Time period a protective order is in effect (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d), section four hundred one of this article, a protective order, entered by the family court pursuant to this article, is effective for either ninety days or one hundred eighty days, in the discretion of the court. Upon receipt of a written request for renewal from the petitioner prior to the expiration of the original order, the family court shall extend its order for an additional ninetyday period.	Protective order duration: Ninety (90) or One hundred eighty (180) Days.
	(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), the court may enter a protective order for a period of one year if the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence, after a hearing that aggravating factors are present.	One (1) Year.
	(c) The court may extend a protective order entered pursuant to subsection (b) of this section for whatever period the court considers necessary to protect the physical safety of the petitioner or those persons for whom a petition may be filed as provided in subdivision (2), section three hundred five of this article, if the court finds by a preponderance of evidence, after a hearing of which respondent has been given notice	Permanent upon motion.

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	W. Va. Code Ann. § 4827505 Emergency protective orders of court An emergency protective order is effective until modified by order of the family court upon hearing as provided in subsection (d) of this section. The order is in full force and effect in every county in this State.	Emergency order duration: Until modified by the Court.
WISCONSIN	Domestic Violence The temporary restraining order is in effect until a hearing is held on issuance of an injunction under sub. (4), except that the court may extend the temporary restraining order under S. 813.1285. The temporary restraining order is not voided if the respondent is admitted into a dwelling that the order directs him or her to avoid. A judge or circuit court commissioner shall hold a hearing on issuance of an injunction within 14 days after the temporary restraining order is issued, unless the time is extended upon the written consent of the parties, extended under s. 801.58(2m), or	Temporary order duration: Max of fourteen (14) days.
	extended once for 14 days upon a finding that the respondent has not been served with a copy of the temporary restraining order although the petitioner has exercised due diligence. A judge or court commissioner may not extend the temporary restraining order in lieu of ruling on the issuance of an injunction. Wis. Stat. §813.12(3)(c)	Injunction duration: Four (4) Years.
	An injunction under this subsection is effective according to its terms, for the period of time that the petitioner requests, but not more than 4 years, except as provided in par. An injunction granted under this subsection is not voided if the petitioner	Temporary order duration; harassment: Max fourteen (14) days.

STATE STATE CODE PROVISION **TIME LIMIT** allows or initiates contact with the respondent or by the admittance of the respondent into a dwelling that the injunction directs him or her to avoid. Wis. Stat. §813.12(4)(c)(1) Harassment - for stalking, sexual assault **Injunction duration; harassment:** The temporary restraining order is in effect until a hearing is held Four (4) Years. on issuance of an injunction under sub. (4), except that the court may extend the temporary restraining order under s. 813.1285. A judge or circuit court commissioner shall hold a hearing on issuance of an injunction within 14 days after the temporary restraining order is issued, unless the time is extended upon the written consent of the parties, extended under s. 801.58 (2m), or extended once for 14 days upon a finding that the respondent has not been served with a copy of the temporary restraining order although the petitioner has exercised due diligence. A judge or court commissioner may not extend the temporary restraining order in lieu of ruling on the issuance of an injunction. Wis. Stat. §813.125(3)(c) An injunction under this subsection is effective according to its terms, but for not more than 4 years, except as provided in par. Wis. Stat. § 813.125(4)(c) Temporary order of protection; setting hearing **Temporary order duration: WYOMING** (iii) Upon the filing of a petition for order of protection, the Seventy-two (72) Hours. court shall hold a hearing on the petition within seventytwo (72) hours after the granting of the temporary order of protection or as soon thereafter as the petition may be heard by the court on the question of continuing the order; or

three (3) years. Either party may move to modify, terminate or extend the order. The order may be extended repetitively

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Northern Mariana Islands	Emergency order for Protection An emergency order for protection expires 72 hours after service on the respondent. N Mar Is. Title 8 § 1911, see: https://www.cnmilaw.org/pdf/public_laws/12/p112-19.pdf Ex parte or upon notice An order for protection issued ex parte or upon notice and hearing or a modification of an order for protection issued ex parte or upon notice and hearing is effective until further order of the court. N Mar Is. Title 8 § 1911, see: https://www.cnmilaw.org/pdf/public_laws/12/p112-19.pd	Emergency order duration: 72 hours after service Ex parte or upon notice Permanent until further notice from th

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