



Restraining Order

Nature of Proceeding

Civil, normally in context of pending dissolution or other family law action.

Who may obtain order?

Petitioner who is married to respondent or has child in common.

Jurisdiction

Superior Court only.

Cost to Petitioner

Same as dissolution. Filing fee waived if indigent.

How does the respondent receive notice?

Notice served on respondent or respondent's attorney.

Respondent Consequences if order is knowingly violated

Mandatory arrest. Gross Misdemeanor. Possible criminal charges or contempt.

Maximum duration of order

- TRO--14 days. Preliminary injunction--pendency of action.
- RO in final decree-permanent unless modified.