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Title

Protective Orders: Revisions to Gun
Violence Restraining Order Forms

Agenda Item Type

Action Required

Effective Date

January 1, 2024

**Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes
Affected**

Adopt forms GV-715 and GV-716; revise
forms EPO-002, GV-020, GV-020-INFO,
GV-030, GV-100, GV-100-INFO, GV-109,
GV-110, GV-115, GV-120, GV-120-INFO,
GV-125, GV-130, GV-620, GV-700,
GV-710, GV-730, GV-800, and
GV-800-INFO

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Civil and Small Claims Advisory
Committee
Hon. Tamara L. Wood, Chair

Executive Summary

The Civil and Small Claims Advisory Committee recommends the adoption and revision of numerous gun violence restraining order forms. These new and revised forms implement Assembly Bill 2870 (Stats. 2022, ch. 974) permitting additional categories of individuals to petition for gun violence restraining orders. The proposed forms also bring the language describing firearm parts on gun violence restraining order forms in line with other protective order forms, include new forms that can be used to request continuance of a hearing to renew a gun violence protective order, and clarify that no additional service is required for enforcement if the respondent attends the hearing where the order was issued, whether attending in person or remotely.

Recommendation

The Civil and Small Claims Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective January 1, 2024, take the following actions, to implement Assembly Bill 2870 in gun violence restraining order forms, revise the language used to describe firearm parts, add forms related to continuances, and clarify when further service is not required for enforcement:

1. Adopt the following forms:

- *Request to Reschedule Hearing to Renew Restraining Order* (form GV-715); and
- *Order to Reschedule Hearing to Renew Restraining Order* (form GV-716).

2. Revise the following forms:

- *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form EPO-002);
- *Response to Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form GV-020);
- *How Can I Respond to a Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order?* (form GV-020-INFO);
- *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing on EPO-002* (form GV-030);
- *Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-100);
- *Can a Gun Violence Restraining Order Help Me?* (form GV-100-INFO);
- *Notice of Court Hearing* (form GV-109);
- *Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-110);
- *Request to Continue Court Hearing for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-115);
- *Response to Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-120);
- *How Can I Respond to a Petition for a Gun Violence Restraining Order?* (form GV-120-INFO);
- *Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order and Surrender of Firearms* (form GV-125);
- *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing or Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-130);
- *Response to Request to Terminate Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-620);
- *Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-700);
- *Notice of Hearing on Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-710);
- *Order on Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-730);
- *Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines* (form GV-800); and
- *How Do I Turn In, Sell, or Store My Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines?* (form GV-800-INFO).

The proposed new and revised forms are attached at pages 8–64.

Relevant Previous Council Action

Under the Penal Code, the Judicial Council must provide forms and instructions for use in gun violence restraining order matters and has done so for several years. The forms have been revised several times, when changes to the law required revisions and in response to suggestions from the public, judicial officers, and court professionals. The last substantive change to gun violence restraining order forms came in 2022 when the council revised these forms to implement legislation relating to the definition of “firearms” and the ability of parties and witnesses to attend hearings on gun violence restraining orders remotely.

Analysis/Rationale

This recommendation to revise the council’s gun violence restraining order forms (1) implements Assembly Bill 2870; (2) makes consistent across protective orders the language used to describe firearm parts; (3) creates forms to request continuance of a hearing to renew a gun violence protective order; and (4) clarifies that no additional service is required for enforcement if the respondent attended the hearing where the order was issued, whether attending in person or remotely. These issues are summarized below, followed by an explanation of the form revisions the committee recommends in response.

Assembly Bill 2870

Effective January 1, 2023, Assembly Bill 2870 (Stats. 2022, ch. 974) (Link A) allows additional categories of individuals to petition for gun violence restraining orders: individuals who have a child in common with the subject of the restraining order; individuals who have a dating relationship with the subject of the restraining order; and, if certain requirements are met, roommates of the subject of the restraining order. AB 2870 also broadens the definition of “immediate family member.”¹

The form revisions recommended to implement AB 2870 are straightforward. The petition, notice of hearing, response to request to terminate, request for renewal, and order forms² contain the additional categories of people who may bring a gun violence restraining order. The information sheets³ also reference the new categories of people who may bring the petition and include the expanded meaning of “immediate family member.” Finally, given that the type of petitioner is not relevant to a request to continue a hearing, this proposal replaces the specific categories of individuals listed on the request to continue hearing (form GV-115) with “person asking for the protective order or law enforcement officer/law enforcement agency” and carries that structure onto proposed new form GV-715.

¹ These changes do not affect temporary emergency gun violence restraining orders governed by Penal Code sections 18125 through 18148. These orders, also referred to as emergency protective orders, may only be requested by law enforcement officers.

² Recommended forms GV-100, GV-109, GV-110, GV-130, GV-620, GV-700, GV-710, and GV-730.

³ Recommended forms GV-100-INFO and GV-120-INFO.

Firearm parts

The language used to define “firearm parts” is inconsistent between gun violence restraining orders and other Judicial Council civil restraining order forms. Effective July 1, 2022, Assembly Bill 1057 (Stats. 2021, ch. 682) (Link B) and Assembly Bill 1621 (Stats. 2022, ch. 76) (Link C) amended the definition of “firearm” in Penal Code section 16520 and thus required individuals restrained under gun violence restraining orders to relinquish and not possess firearm parts. AB 1621 also applied the section 16520 definition of “firearm” to civil restraining orders for the first time.

The council approved revisions implementing AB 1621 in gun violence restraining order forms in September 2022.⁴ The gun violence restraining order forms were revised separately from other restraining orders that addressed firearm parts and before being sent out for comment because other changes were needed to the gun violence forms in addition to those necessary to implement AB 1621. In November 2022, the committee approved revisions to the other civil restraining order forms after a special comment period. Based on comments received on this proposal, the council approved the other civil restraining order forms with different language to describe firearm parts than was earlier approved in the gun violence restraining orders.⁵

At this time, the committee recommends revising the gun violence forms to be consistent with the other restraining order forms on this point. The recommended revisions would describe firearm parts as including “firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531),” which is the language that is already included on other civil protective order forms⁶ and criminal protective order forms.⁷ A separate recommendation going to the September 2023 council meeting is also updating domestic violence restraining order forms to include that language as well.⁸

Continuances on hearing to renew

This committee recommends adopting *Request to Reschedule Hearing to Renew Restraining Order* (form GV-715); and *Order to Reschedule Hearing to Renew Restraining Order* (form

⁴ See Judicial Council of Cal., Advisory Com. Rep., *Protective Orders: Gun Violence Forms Implementing Statutory Amendments Permitting Remote Appearances and Modifying the Definition of Firearms* (Aug. 10, 2022), <https://jcc.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=11205465&GUID=ACE8A41E-6217-4FC9-9B8A-E3ED80D7145F>.

⁵ See Judicial Council of Cal., Advisory Com. Rep., *Protective Orders: Civil Protective Order Forms Implementing Assembly Bill 1621* (Nov. 2, 2022), <https://jcc.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=11461123&GUID=89F39689-D073-494C-9390-2A55F4C5AEC0>.

⁶ *Ibid.*

⁷ See Judicial Council of Cal., Advisory Com. Rep., *Criminal Procedure: Criminal Protective Orders and Firearm Relinquishment Order* (Nov. 8, 2022), <https://jcc.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=11460928&GUID=058F0EC3-4C6A-47B7-BF10-DFCA23C91E70>.

⁸ That proposal, *Domestic Violence: Form Changes to Implement New Laws*, is available on the agenda for the September 19, 2023, Judicial Council meeting at <https://jcc.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

GV-716) to continue a hearing on a request to renew a restraining order because the existing continuance forms (forms GV-115 and GV-116) are not designed for renewal proceedings.

This committee and the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee are jointly recommending creation of such forms for the Civil Harassment (CH), Elder or Dependent Adult Abuse (EA), Private Postsecondary School Violence (SV), and Workplace Violence (WV) form sets in a separate report going to the September 2023 council meeting concurrently with this report.⁹

Clarification of service requirements after remote appearance

The committee also recommends revising gun violence restraining order forms to specify to the respondent that attending the hearing, including through the use of remote technology, will result in immediate enforcement of any orders issued.¹⁰ This recommendation is consistent with and discussed more fully in a separate joint recommendation made by this committee and the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee, which proposes two new rules of court and revisions to the CH, EA, SV, and WV notice of hearing and order after hearing forms.¹¹

Policy implications

Several of the revised forms in this proposal implement new law that permits additional categories of people to seek gun violence restraining orders. Accordingly, the key policy implications for those changes are ensuring that council forms reflect the law correctly and are not misleading to parties.

The recommended form revisions that modify language used to describe firearm parts to be consistent with statutory language and other Judicial Council protective orders promote uniformity across forms to make them more accessible and understandable.

The new forms to request continuance of a hearing to renew a gun violence protective order helps implement Goal I, “Access, Fairness, Diversity, and Inclusion,” of the Judicial Council’s strategic plan by helping to make forms easier to complete and understand for self-represented litigants.

The recommended form revisions to clarify service requirements after a hearing on a gun violence restraining order reflect existing practice regarding service requirements after a remote

⁹ That proposal, *Protective Orders: Updated Law Enforcement Information Form and New Forms for Continuances on Hearings to Renew*, is available on the agenda for the September 19, 2023, Judicial Council meeting at <https://jcc.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>. The domestic violence restraining order form proposal, *supra* note 6, also creates substantially similar forms for the DV form set.

¹⁰ Such revisions to *Order on Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-730) were inadvertently not included when the form was circulated for comment but are included as part of this recommendation.

¹¹ That proposal, *Protective Orders: Service Requirements After Remote Appearances*, is available on the agenda for the September 19, 2023, Judicial Council meeting at <https://jcc.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

appearance by the respondent at a hearing on a restraining order. As such, the policy implications are limited to confirming a prior policy decision.

Comments

The new and revised forms were circulated for comments from March 30 to May 12, 2023. This proposal received five comments.¹² Two of the comments were from superior courts and one comment each was received from a legal aid organization, the Orange County Bar Association, and the Joint Rules Subcommittee of the Trial Court Presiding Judges Advisory Committee and the Court Executives Advisory Committee. All commenters agreed that the revisions were needed and most requested further revisions to the forms.

A chart with the full text of the comments received and the committee's responses is attached beginning at page 65. The principal comments and the committee's responses are summarized below.

Form GV-100

A commenter suggested switching the order of item 6 (grounds for gun violence restraining order issuance) and item 7 (request for gun violence restraining order) on form GV-100. The committee declined this suggestion because it is helpful for the grounds to come before the request so that the petitioner can verify sufficient grounds exist before they fill out the item requesting the restraining order.

Form GV-109

A commenter suggested adding information to form GV-109 about the new form SER-001, used to request service by the sheriff. The committee declined this suggestion because this information is best suited to the information sheet about service, form GV-200-INFO, which is already mentioned on form GV-109.

Forms GV-115 and GV-715

The Joint Rules Subcommittee suggested including on the requests to continue hearing (forms GV-115 and GV-715) a check box for the restrained party to indicate if they have relinquished their firearms pursuant to a gun violence restraining order in effect. The committee recommends revising the forms accordingly because this information will be useful to the judicial officer when deciding whether a continuance is appropriate.

Form GV-800-INFO

A commenter suggested adding "firearm parts" to the list of items on form GV-800-INFO that may be sold to a firearms dealer by the restrained party after turning in the items to law enforcement. The committee declined this suggestion because many firearm parts are illegal to possess and thus could not be resold to a gun dealer.

¹² One additional comment discusses domestic violence restraining order forms but was directed to this proposal's ITC number in error.

Firearm parts

A commenter suggested adding “firearm parts” to the list of items the restrained person must surrender on forms EPO-002, GV-030, GV-110, GV-130, and GV-730. The committee declined this suggestion because the language in these sections is mandated by statute, and the statutory language does not include “firearm parts.”¹³

Alternatives Considered

In addition to the alternatives suggested by the commenters and discussed above, the committee considered not recommending any further revisions to these forms. However, because AB 2870 made significant and substantial changes to who may bring gun violence restraining orders, the committee determined that taking no action would be inappropriate. The committee also determined it would be inappropriate to take no action to update the language about firearm parts as taking no action would mean that different forms use different language to describe the same statutory provisions. The committee also decided that creating new continuance forms for renewal proceedings was preferable to not acting because a separate continuance form set for renewals would be more user-friendly. Finally, the committee determined it would be inappropriate to take no action to clarify the service requirements after a respondent’s remote appearance on the proposed forms as the committee has been asked to address this issue several times by courts and members of the Judicial Council.

Fiscal and Operational Impacts

The committee anticipates that this proposal would require courts to train court staff and judicial officers on the newly adopted and revised forms. Courts will also incur costs to incorporate the new and revised forms into the paper or electronic processes.

Attachments and Links

1. Forms EPO-002, GV-020, GV-020-INFO, GV-030, GV-100, GV-100-INFO, GV-109, GV-110, GV-115, GV-120, GV-120-INFO, GV-125, GV-130, GV-620, GV-700, GV-710, GV-715, GV-716, GV-730, GV-800, and GV-800-INFO, at pages 8–64
2. Chart of comments, at pages 65–70
3. Link A: Assembly Bill 2870,
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB2870
4. Link B: Assembly Bill 1057,
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB1057
5. Link C: Assembly Bill 1621,
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB1621

¹³ See Pen. Code, §§ 18135, 18160, 18180.

EPO-002
GUN VIOLENCE EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE ORDER

LAW ENFORCEMENT CASE NUMBER:

1. **RESTRAINED PERSON** (insert name): _____

Address: _____

Gender: ☐ M ☐ F ☐ Nonbinary Ht.: _____ Wt.: _____ Hair color: _____

Eye color: _____ Race: _____ Age: _____ Date of birth: _____

2. **TO THE RESTRAINED PERSON**

(Also see important Warnings and Information on page 2):

You are required to surrender all firearms, ammunition, and magazines that you own or possess in accordance with Section 18120 of the Penal Code and you may not have in your custody or control, own, purchase, possess, or receive, or attempt to purchase or receive, any firearm, ammunition, or magazine while this order is in effect. However a more permanent gun violence restraining order may be obtained from the court. You may seek the advice of an attorney as to any matter connected with the order. The attorney should be consulted promptly so that the attorney may assist you in any matter connected with the order.

If you have any firearms (guns), firearm parts (receivers, frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame), ammunition, or magazines, you MUST IMMEDIATELY SURRENDER (GIVE) THEM if asked by a police officer. If a police officer does not ask you to surrender the items, within 24 hours of getting this order, you must take them to a police station or a licensed gun dealer to sell or store them and must file a receipt with the court proving that this has been done. You have 48 hours to file a receipt with the court shown to the right. **If you do not file a receipt within 48 hours you have violated this order and can go to jail.**

3. **This order will last until:** _____ **Time** _____

INSERT DATE OF 21st CALENDAR DAY (DO NOT COUNT DAY THE ORDER IS GRANTED)

4. **Court Hearing** ☐ A court hearing will be set within 21 days.

☐ A court hearing will take place at the court above on: Date: _____ Time/Dept: _____

You must attend the court hearing if you do not want this restraining order against you. You may attend the hearing remotely (check your court's website for instructions). At the hearing, the judge can make this order last for up to five years.

5. Reasonable grounds for the issuance of this order exist, and a Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order (1) is necessary because the Restrained Person poses an immediate danger of causing personal injury to themselves or to another by having custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving any firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines; **and** (2) less restrictive alternatives were ineffective or have been determined to be inadequate or inappropriate under the circumstances.

6. Judicial officer (name): _____ granted this order on (date): _____ at (time): _____

APPLICATION

7. Officer has a reasonable cause to believe that the grounds set forth in item 5, above, exist (state supporting facts and dates; specify weapons—number, type and location):

8. ☐ Firearms (including parts) were ☐ observed ☐ reported ☐ physically searched for ☐ seized.

☐ Ammunition (including magazines) was ☐ observed ☐ reported ☐ physically searched for ☐ seized.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

By: _____
(PRINT NAME OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER)

(SIGNATURE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER)

Agency: _____

Telephone No: _____ Badge No: _____

Address: _____

PROOF OF SERVICE

9. I personally delivered copies of this Order to the restrained person name in item 1.

Date of service: _____ Time of service: _____ Address: _____

10. At the time of service, I was at least 18 years of age.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: _____
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF SERVER/LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER)

(SIGNATURE OF SERVER)

GUN VIOLENCE EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE ORDER WARNINGS AND INFORMATION

EPO-002

TO THE RESTRAINED PERSON: You are prohibited from owning, possessing, purchasing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive a firearm (gun), a firearm part (a receiver, frame, or any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame), ammunition, or a magazine. (Pen. Code, §§ 16531 & 18125 et seq.) A violation of this order is a misdemeanor punishable by a \$1,000 fine or imprisonment for six months or both. (Pen. Code, §§ 19 & 18205.)

Within 24 hours of receipt of this order, you must turn in all items listed above to a law enforcement agency or sell them to or store them with a licensed firearms dealer until the expiration of this order. (Pen. Code, § 18125 et seq.) A receipt proving surrender, sale, or storage must be filed with the court within 48 hours of receipt of this order, or on the next court business day if the 48-hour period ends on a day when the court is closed. You must also file the receipt with the law enforcement agency that served you with this Order. You may use form GV-800, *Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines*.

This Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order is effective when made. It will last until the date and time in item 3 on the front. The court will hold a hearing within 21 days to determine if a longer-term order should be issued. If the date and time are not stated in item 4 on the front, you will get a notice with the date and time of the hearing in the mail at the residential address listed on page 1 of this form. If you would like to respond to this order in writing you must use form GV-020, *Response to Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order*. A longer-term restraining order may be requested from the court.

If you violate this order, you will also be prohibited from having in your custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, a firearm (gun), firearm part (a receiver, frame, or any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame), ammunition, or magazine for an additional five-year period, to begin on the expiration of the existing gun violence restraining order. (Pen. Code, §§ 16531 & 18205.)

This protective order must be enforced by all law enforcement officers in the state of California who are aware of it or shown a copy of it. The terms and conditions of this order remain enforceable regardless of the acts or any agreement of the parties; it may be changed only by order of the court.

A LA PERSONA RESTRINGIDA: Tiene prohibido ser dueño de, o poseer, comprar, recibir, o tratar de comprar o recibir un arma de fuego, un componente de armas de fuego (un receptor o armadura, o cualquier artículo que puede ser usado como receptor o armadura o fácilmente convertido en receptor o armadura), municiones o cargadores. (Cód. Penal, §§ 16531 & 18125 y siguientes). Una violación de esta orden es un delito menor que está sujeta a una multa de \$1000 o encarcelamiento de seis meses o ambos. (Cód. Penal, §§ 19 & 18205.)

Dentro de las 24 horas de recibir esta orden, tiene que entregar todos los artículos indicados arriba a una agencia del orden público o venderlos a un comerciante de armas autorizado, o almacenarlos con el mismo hasta el vencimiento de esta orden. (Cód. Penal, § 18125 y siguientes). Se tiene que presentar a la corte una prueba de haberlos entregado, vendido, o almacenado dentro de las 48 horas de recibir esta orden, o el próximo día hábil, si el periodo de 48 horas termina un día en que está cerrada la corte. También tiene que presentar el recibo a la agencia del orden público que le entregó esta Orden. Se puede usar el formulario GV-800, *Recibo por armas de fuego, componentes de armas de fuego, municiones, y cargadores*.

Esta orden de protección de emergencia de armas de fuego entra en vigencia en el momento en que se emite. Durará hasta la fecha y hora indicadas en el punto 3 de la primera página. Se realizará una audiencia dentro de 21 días para determinar si es necesario emitir una orden que dure por más tiempo. Si la fecha y la hora no se indican en el punto 4 de la primera página, recibirá un aviso con la fecha y la hora de la audiencia por correo a la dirección residencial indicada en la primera página. Si desea responder a esta orden por escrito, tiene que usar el formulario GV-020, *Respuesta a la orden de protección de emergencia de armas de fuego*. Se puede solicitar a la corte una orden de restricción a más largo plazo.

Si contraviene esta orden de restricción, se le prohibirá tener en su posesión o control, comprar, poseer o recibir, o tratar de comprar o recibir un arma de fuego, un componente de armas de fuego (un receptor o armadura, o cualquier artículo que puede ser usado como receptor o armadura o fácilmente convertido en receptor o armadura), municiones o cargadores por otro periodo de cinco años más, comenzando a partir del vencimiento de la orden de restricción de armas de fuego existente. (Cód. Penal, §§ 16531 & 18205.)

Todo agente del orden público del estado de California que tenga conocimiento de la orden o a quien se le muestre una copia de la misma tiene que hacer cumplir esta orden de protección. Los términos y condiciones de esta orden se podrán hacer cumplir independientemente de las acciones de las partes; solo la corte podrá cambiar esta orden.

To law enforcement: The Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order must be served on the restrained person by the officer if the restrained person can reasonably be located. Ask the restrained person if he or she has any firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines in his or her possession or under his or her custody or control. A copy must be filed with the court as soon as practicable, but not later than three court days, after issuance, so a hearing can be set, if one was not already scheduled. If the court did not give you a hearing date when issuing the order (to put in item 4 on the front), the court will set a hearing within 21 days and will provide you with notice of the hearing. Also, the officer must have the order entered into the computer database system for protective and restraining orders maintained by the Department of Justice.

The provisions in this temporary Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order do not affect those of any other protective or restraining order in effect, including a criminal protective order. The provisions in another existing protective order remain in effect.

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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Use this form if you do not want the court to extend the *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* for a period of time between 1–5 years.

1. Read *How Can I Respond to a Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order?* (form GV-020-INFO) to protect your rights.
2. Fill out this form and take it to the filing window at the court.
3. Have someone age 18 or older—**not you**—mail a copy of this form and any attached pages to the law enforcement agency that applied for the *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form EPO-002). (Use *Proof of Service by Mail* (form GV-025).)

Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

See Notice of Hearing for case number and fill in:

Case Number:

1 Requesting Agency or Officer

(A petition may be filed in the name of the law enforcement agency in which the officer is employed.)

2 Restrained Person

- a. Your Name: _____
Your Lawyer (if you have one for this case):
Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____
Firm Name: _____
- b. Your Address (If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or email address.)
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: _____ Fax: _____
Email Address: _____

Be prepared to tell the court at the hearing why you don't agree. Write your hearing date, time, and place from the Notice of Hearing or *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form EPO-002) here:

Hearing
Date

→ Date: _____ Time: _____
Dept.: _____ Room: _____

You must obey the *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* until the expiration date. At the hearing, the court may make an order against you for a period of time between 1–5 years.

3 Gun Violence Restraining Order

- ☐ I do not agree that a gun violence restraining order should be extended for 1–5 years (explain):

- ☐ Check here if there is not enough space above for your answer. Put your complete answer on an attached sheet of paper and write "Attachment 3—Reasons I Disagree" as a title. You may use form MC-025, Attachment.



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- [illegible]

- ☐ Check here if there is not enough space above for your answer. Put your complete answer on an attached sheet of paper and write “Attachment 4—Denial, Justification, or Excuse” as a title. Use form MC-025, Attachment.

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A Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order (form EPO-002) was issued against you. You cannot own or possess any firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines. This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531). You must turn over any of these items in your possession to law enforcement when they ask you to do so. If not asked, you must sell to or store with a licensed gun dealer, or turn in to a law enforcement agency, any of the above listed items in your immediate possession or control within 24 hours of being served with form EPO-002. You must file a receipt with the court and the law enforcement agency. You may use *Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines* (form GV-800) for the receipt.

- a. ☐ I do not own or control any firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines.
- b. ☐ I have turned in my firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, and magazines to a law enforcement officer or agency, or sold them to or stored them with a licensed gun dealer. A copy of the receipt ☐ is attached ☐ has already been filed with the court and the law enforcement agency.

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Date: _____

Lawyer's name (if any)

▶

Lawyer's signature

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above and on all attachments is true and correct.

Date: _____

Type or print your name



Sign your name

What is a Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order (form EPO-002)?

It is a court order requested by law enforcement that prohibits someone from having any of the following prohibited items:

- Firearms, including any handgun, rifle, shotgun, and assault weapon;
- Firearm parts, meaning receivers, frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531) (these may also be called “ghost guns”);
- Ammunition; and
- Magazines (any ammunition feeding device).

The person must turn in, sell, or store all prohibited items listed above that they currently own.

For more information about prohibited items, please see <https://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/restraining-orders/prohibited-items>.

Who can ask for a gun violence emergency protective order?

The gun violence emergency protective order must have been requested by a law enforcement officer and was issued by a judicial officer based on the statements made under penalty of perjury in the protective order.

I've been served with a Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order (form EPO-002) and a Notice of Court Hearing. What do I do now?

Read the papers served on you very carefully. The *Notice of Court Hearing* or form EPO-002 tells you when to appear for court and where the court is located. If you want to attend the hearing remotely, such as by phone or videoconference, check your local court's website for instructions and availability. Follow the *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form EPO-002) prohibiting you from having any prohibited items listed above and requiring you to surrender, sell, or store any prohibited items that you currently own or possess. You must obey the order until the expiration date on the form.

**What if I don't obey the emergency protective order?**

The police can arrest you. You can go to jail and pay a fine. You may also be prohibited for a longer period of time from having access to firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, and magazines.

What if I don't want the order to be extended?

If you disagree with the order that has been issued and do not want the court to extend it for a longer time, fill out [*Response to Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order \(form GV-020\)*](#), before your hearing date. File the form with the court and serve it on the requesting law enforcement agency. You can get the form from legal publishers or from the California Courts website at www.courts.ca.gov/forms. You also may be able to find it at your local courthouse or county law library.

Will I have to pay a filing fee?

No.

Do I have to serve the other person with a copy of my response?

Yes. Have someone age 18 or older—not you—mail a copy of the completed *Response to Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form GV-020) to the law enforcement agency that issued the *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form EPO-002). (This is called “service by mail.”)

The person who serves the form by mail must fill out [*Proof of Service by Mail \(form GV-025\)*](#). Have the person who did the mailing sign the original form GV-025. Take the completed form back to the court clerk or bring it with you to the hearing.

Should I attend the court hearing?

Yes. You should attend the hearing listed on the *Notice of Court Hearing* or the *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form EPO-002). You can do so remotely, such as by telephone or videoconference, or go to court in person. If you do not attend the hearing, the judge can extend the order against you for a period of time between 1-5 years without hearing from you.

**Will I see the person who asked for the court order at the court hearing?**

It's possible the law enforcement officer may appear at the court hearing.

**Can I attend the court hearing remotely, such as by telephone or videoconference?**

Yes. Remote appearances are permitted for parties and witnesses. Check with your local court for instructions on how to appear remotely. Information is also available on the court's website, which you can find at www.courts.ca.gov/find-my-court.htm.

What if I need help to understand English?

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Can I bring a witness to the court hearing?

Yes. You can bring witnesses or documents that support your case to the hearing. But if possible, you should also bring the witnesses' written statements of what they saw or heard. Their statements must be made under penalty of perjury. (You can use [Declaration \(form MC-030\)](#) for this purpose.)

What if I have a disability?

If you have a disability and need an accommodation while you are at court, you can use form [MC-410, Disability Accommodation Request](#), to make your request. You can also ask the ADA Coordinator in your court for help. For more information, see form [MC-410-INFO, How to Request a Disability Accommodation for Court](#).

Do I need a lawyer?

Having a lawyer is always a good idea, but it is not required, and you are not entitled to a free, court-appointed attorney. Ask the court clerk about free and low-cost legal services and self-help centers in your county.

For help in your area, contact:

[Local information may be inserted.]

How long does the order last?

The *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form EPO-002) will last until the expiration date listed on the front of the form in item 3. The court will decide at the hearing whether to issue a gun violence restraining order that can last for a period of time between 1-5 years.

Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing on EPO-002

The court will complete this form.

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

Case Number:

1 Requesting Agency or Officer

(A petition may be filed in the name of the law enforcement agency in which the officer is employed.)

Law enforcement agency or officer that applied for the Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order: _____

2 Restrained Person

Full Name: _____

Lawyer (if there is one for this case):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

Description of Restrained Person

Gender: ☐ M ☐ F ☐ Nonbinary Height: _____ Weight: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Hair Color: _____ Eye Color: _____ Age: _____ Race: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

3 Expiration Date

This order expires at:

(Time): _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m. ☐ midnight on (date): _____

If no expiration date is written here, this order expires one year from the date of issuance.

4 Hearing

a. There was a hearing on (date): _____ at (time): _____ in Dept.: _____ Room: _____.

(Name of judicial officer): _____ made the orders at the hearing.

b. These people attended the hearing:

(1) ☐ The officer or representative of the Requesting Agency _____

(2) ☐ The Restrained Person ☐ Lawyer for the Restrained Person (name): _____

This is a Court Order.



5 Findings

- a. ☐ The court finds by clear and convincing evidence that the following are true:
- (1) The Restrained Person poses a significant danger of causing personal injury to themselves or another person by having in their custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines. This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531).

(2) A gun violence restraining order is necessary to prevent personal injury to the Restrained Person or to another person because less restrictive alternatives either have been tried and found to be ineffective, or have been determined to be inadequate or inappropriate for the current circumstances.

(3) ☐ The court has received credible information that the Restrained Person owns or possesses one or more firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or one or more magazines.

(4) ☐ The facts as stated in the *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form EPO-002) and supporting documents submitted at the time of the hearing, which are incorporated here by reference, and for the reasons set forth below, establish sufficient grounds for the issuance of this Order.
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- ☐ See the attached *Attachment* (form MC-025)
- b. ☐ A gun violence restraining order is not being issued for the reasons below:
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6 No Firearms (Guns), Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines

- a. You cannot have in your custody or control, own, purchase, possess, or receive, or attempt to purchase or receive, any prohibited items listed below in b.
- b. **Prohibited items are:**
- (1) Firearms (guns);
 - (2) Firearm parts, meaning receivers, frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531);
 - (3) Ammunition; and
 - (4) Magazines (ammunition feeding devices).
- c. You must surrender (turn in, sell, or store) all prohibited items in your custody or control or that you possess or own. If a law enforcement officer asks you to turn over prohibited items, you must do so immediately. If no request is made by a law enforcement officer, you must surrender all prohibited items within 24 hours of being served with this Order. You may surrender these items by turning them in to law enforcement, selling them to a licensed gun dealer, or storing them with a licensed gun dealer for as long as this Order or any more permanent order granted at the hearing in item **4** is in effect.
- d. Within 48 hours of receiving this Order, you must file a receipt with the court that proves that all your prohibited items have been turned in, sold, or stored. (You may use *Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines* (form GV-800) for the receipt.) You must also file a copy of the receipt with the law enforcement agency that served you with this order. **FAILURE TO FILE THIS RECEIPT IS A VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER.**
- e. ☐ **Order dissolving (terminating) Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order.**
The court dissolves (terminates) the *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form EPO-002) originally issued on (date): _____ as of (date of hearing): _____.

7 Service of Order on the Restrained Person

- a. ☐ The Restrained Person was present in court at the time the order was issued. No other proof of service is needed. The clerk has provided the Restrained Person with a blank copy of *Request to Terminate Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-600), if a restraining order was granted.
- b. ☐ The Restrained Person was not present in court at the time the order was issued. The Restrained Person must be personally served with a court file-stamped copy of this order and a blank copy of *Request to Terminate Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-600), if a restraining order was granted.

8 Number of pages attached to this Order, if any: _____

Date: _____

Judicial Officer

Warnings and Notices to the Restrained Person

To the restrained person: This order will last until the expiration date and time noted on page 1. If you have not done so already, you must surrender all firearms, ammunition, and magazines that you own or possess in accordance with section 18120 of the Penal Code. You may not have in your custody or control, own, purchase, possess, or receive, or attempt to purchase or receive a firearm, ammunition, or magazine, while this Order is in effect. Pursuant to section 18185, you have the right to request a hearing on an annual basis to terminate this Order during its effective period. You may seek the advice of an attorney as to any matter connected with the order.

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Violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a \$1,000 fine or imprisonment for six months or both. (Pen. Code, §§ 19, 18205.) If you violate this Order, you will be prohibited from having in your custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, any prohibited items listed in item 6b, above, for a period of up to five years. This Order must be enforced by any law enforcement officer in the state of California who is aware of or shown a copy of this Order. The Order remains enforceable regardless of the acts of the parties; it may be terminated only by an order of the court.

Instructions for Law Enforcement

Duties of Officer Serving This Order

The officer who serves this order on the Restrained Person must do the following:

- Ask if the Restrained Person is in possession of any of the prohibited items listed in item 6b, above, or has custody or control of any of those items that they have not already turned in.
- Order the Restrained Person to immediately surrender to you all prohibited items.
- Issue a receipt to the Restrained Person for all prohibited items that have been surrendered.
- Complete a proof of personal service and file it with the court. You may use form GV-200 for this purpose.
- Within one business day of service, submit the proof of service directly into the California Restraining and Protective Order System (CARPOS), including the serving officer's name and law enforcement agency.

Duties of Agency on Surrender of Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines

The law enforcement agency that has received the surrendered prohibited items listed in item 6b, above, must do the following:

- Retain the prohibited items until the expiration of this Order or of any other gun violence restraining order issued by the court.
- On the expiration of this order or of any later gun violence restraining order issued by the court, return the prohibited items to the Restrained Person as provided by chapter 2 of division 11 of title 4 of the Penal Code (commencing with section 33850). Section 34000 provides for the sale or destruction of any unclaimed items.
- If someone other than the Restrained Person claims title to any of the prohibited items surrendered, determine whether that person is the lawful owner. If so, return the prohibited items to that person as provided by chapter 2 of division 11 of title 4 of the Penal Code (commencing with section 33850).

Enforcing This Order

The law enforcement officer should determine if the Restrained Person had notice of the order. Consider the Restrained Person "served" (given notice) if:

- The officer sees a copy of the proof of service or confirms that the proof of service is on file;
- The Restrained Person was informed of the order by an officer; or
- Item 7a is checked, indicating the Restrained Person was present in court at the time the order was issued.

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Instructions for Law Enforcement*(continued)*

An officer can obtain information about the contents of the order and proof of service in CARPOS. If proof of service on the respondent cannot be verified, the agency must advise the restrained person of the terms of the order and then enforce it (*see above: Duties of Officer Serving This Order*).

The provisions in this *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing on EPO-002* do not affect those of any other protective or restraining order in effect, including a criminal protective order. The provisions in another existing protective order remain in effect.

*(Clerk will fill out this part.)***—Clerk's Certificate—**

Clerk's Certificate
[seal]

I certify that this *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing on EPO-002* (CLETS-HGV) (form GV-030) is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the court.

Date: _____ Clerk, by _____, Deputy

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Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order

Read *Can a Gun Violence Restraining Order Help Me?* (form GV-100-INFO) before completing this form.

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

Case Number:

1 Petitioner

a. Your Full Name or Name of Law Enforcement Agency:

I am:

- ☐ A family member of the Respondent.
- ☐ An officer of a law enforcement agency (*A petition may be filed in the name of the law enforcement agency in which the officer is employed. If you wrote your full name above, write the name of the law enforcement agency that employs you.*)

- ☐ An employer of the Respondent (*your position and name of company*):

- ☐ A coworker of the Respondent. I have had substantial and regular interactions with the Respondent for at least one year and I have obtained the approval of my employer to file this petition (*name of company*):

- ☐ An employee or teacher of a secondary or postsecondary school that the Respondent has attended in the last 6 months. I have obtained the approval of a school administrator to file this petition (*name of the school*):

- ☐ A roommate of the Respondent. I currently live with the Respondent or lived with the Respondent within the past six months and have had substantial and regular interactions with the Respondent for at least one year.

- ☐ A person who has a dating relationship with the Respondent.

- ☐ A person who has a child in common with the Respondent. I have had substantial and regular interactions with the Respondent for at least one year.

b. Your Lawyer (*if you have one for this case*): Name:

Firm Name: State Bar No.:

c. Your Address (*If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or email. Law enforcement officer, give agency information.*)

Address: Telephone:

City: State: Zip: Fax:

Email Address:

2 Respondent

Full Name: Age:

Address (*if known*):

City: State: Zip:

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3 Venue

Why are you filing in this county? (Check all that apply):

- a. ☐ The Respondent lives in this county.
 b. ☐ Other (specify): _____

4 Other Court Cases

a. Are you aware of any other court cases, civil or criminal, involving the Respondent?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, check each kind of case and give as much information as you know as to where and when each was filed:

Kind of Case	Filed in (County/State)	Year Filed	Case Number (if known)
(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Harassment	_____	_____	_____
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence	_____	_____	_____
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce, Nullity, Legal Separation	_____	_____	_____
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> Paternity, Parentage, Child Custody	_____	_____	_____
(5) <input type="checkbox"/> Elder or Dependent Adult Abuse	_____	_____	_____
(6) <input type="checkbox"/> Eviction	_____	_____	_____
(7) <input type="checkbox"/> Workplace Violence	_____	_____	_____
(8) <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal	_____	_____	_____
(9) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____	_____	_____	_____

b. Are there now any protective or restraining orders in effect relating to Respondent?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I don't know If yes, attach a copy if you have one.

5 Description of Respondent's Firearms (Guns), Firearm Parts, Ammunition, or Magazines

Answer 5a or check 5b if you have reason to believe that the respondent is in possession of firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines. This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531).

a. ☐ I am informed, and on that basis believe, that Respondent currently possesses or controls the following firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines (describe the number, types, and locations of any of those items that you believe that the Respondent currently possesses or controls):

Types of firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition or magazines	How many or what amount?	Location, if known
(1) _____	_____	_____
(2) _____	_____	_____
(3) _____	_____	_____
(4) _____	_____	_____
(5) _____	_____	_____
(6) _____	_____	_____

b. ☐ I am informed, and on that basis believe, that Respondent currently possesses or controls firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines, but I have no further specific information as to the number, types, and locations of those items.

This is not a Court Order.

8 No Fee to Serve (Notify) Restrained Person

If you want the sheriff or marshal to serve (notify) the restrained person about the orders, they will do it for free.

9 Request for Hearing

I request that the court set a hearing in this matter for the purpose of issuing a gun violence restraining order that will last between one and five years.

10 ☐ Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order

I request that a temporary gun violence restraining order be issued against the Respondent to last until the hearing. I am presenting *Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-110) for the court's signature together with this Petition.

Has the Respondent been told that you were going to court to seek a temporary gun violence restraining order?

☐ Yes ☐ No *(If you answered no, explain why below):*

☐ Reasons stated in Attachment 10.

11 ☐ Request to Give Less Than Five Days' Notice of Hearing

You must have your papers personally served on Respondent at least five calendar days before the hearing, unless the court orders a shorter time for service. (See What Is "Proof of Personal Service"? (form GV-200-INFO). Proof of Personal Service (form GV-200) may be used to show the court that the papers have been served.)

If you want there to be fewer than five days between service and the hearing, explain why below:

☐ Reasons stated in Attachment 11.

12 Number of pages attached to this form, if any: _____

Date: _____

Lawyer's name (if any)



Lawyer's signature

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above and on all attachments is true and correct.

Date: _____

Type or print your name



Sign your name

This is not a Court Order.

These instructions cannot cover all of the questions that may arise in a particular case. If you do not know what to do to protect your rights, you should see a lawyer or a self-help center.

What is a gun violence restraining order?

It is a court order that temporarily prohibits someone from having any of the following items:

- Firearms, including any handgun, rifle, shotgun, and assault weapon;
- Firearm parts, meaning receivers, frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531) (these may also be called “ghost guns”);
- Ammunition; and
- Magazines (any ammunition feeding device).

The person must turn in, sell, or store any prohibited items listed above that that person currently owns. The police will come and remove the items or the person can store them with a licensed gun dealer while the restraining order is in effect. The restrained person also cannot buy any of the prohibited items during this time.

For more information about prohibited items, please see <http://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/restraining-orders/prohibited-items>.

Can I get a gun violence restraining order against someone?

You can ask for one if you are connected to the person you think is dangerous as:

- An immediate family member;
- An employer;
- A coworker who has substantial and regular interactions with the person and has worked with them for at least a year. You must have permission from your employer to ask for the restraining order;
- An employee or teacher at a school that the person has attended in the last six months, where you have permission from a school administrator or staff member who has a supervisory role;
- A law enforcement officer or agency;
- A roommate who resided in the household in the past six months and has had substantial and regular interactions with the person for at least a year;
- Somebody in a dating relationship; or
- Somebody who shares a child with the person and has had substantial and regular interactions with the person for at least a year.

Immediate family members include:

- Your spouse or domestic partner;
- You or your spouse’s parents, children, siblings, grandparents, and grandchildren and their spouses, including any stepparents or stepgrandparents; and
- You or your spouse’s aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, first and second cousins, great-grandparents, and great-grandchildren if you have had substantial and regular interactions for at least a year.

If you do not have the necessary relationship, advise a law enforcement officer of the situation. The officer may investigate and file the petition if grounds exist.

Will I have to pay a filing fee to request the order?

No.

Will the order protect me in other ways, such as keeping the person from coming near me?

No, the only order the court can make is to force the person to not have the prohibited items listed above. If you need personal protection from a family member, you should proceed under the Domestic Violence Prevention Act. See [Can a Domestic Violence Restraining Order Help Me? \(form DV-500-INFO\)](#) for information on how to proceed. For information on other civil restraining orders, please see <http://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/restraining-orders-california>.

What forms do I need to get the order?

You must fill out the following forms:

- [Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order \(form GV-100\)](#);
- [Confidential CLETS Information \(form CLETS-001\)](#);
- [Notice of Court Hearing \(form GV-109\)](#), items 1 and 2 only; and
- [Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order \(form GV-110\)](#), items 1 and 2 only.

You may need other local forms. Ask your self-help center or visit your court’s website.

Where can I get these forms?

You can get the forms from legal publishers or the internet at www.courts.ca.gov/forms. You also may be able to find them at your local courthouse or county law library.



What do I need to do to get the order?

You must file your papers with the superior court in the county where the person to be restrained lives. Check online or ask the court how to file your request for a gun violence restraining order. (A self-help center or legal aid association may be able to assist you in filing your request.) File your forms electronically or give your forms to the clerk of the court. The court will give you a hearing date on the *Notice of Court Hearing* form.

How soon can I get the order?

You can ask for a temporary gun violence restraining order, which will be effective right away if granted. The court may decide whether or not to grant the temporary order based only on the facts that you have stated in your petition. If so, the court will decide within 24 hours whether or not to make the temporary order. Sometimes the court will want to examine you personally under oath. If you file in person, the clerk will tell you whether you should wait to talk to the judge or come back later to find out if the court has signed a temporary order.

If you don't ask for a temporary restraining order, you will have to wait until the hearing, at which the court will decide whether to make an order that will last for a period of time between 1–5 years.

How will the person to be restrained know about the order?



If the court issues a temporary restraining order, someone age 18 or older—**not you**—must personally “serve” (give) the person to be restrained a copy of the order. The server must then fill out [Proof of Personal Service \(form GV-200\)](#) and give it to you to file with the court. If the person to be restrained attends the hearing, no further proof of service is required. But if they do not attend the hearing, then any order issued at the hearing must also be personally served. For help with service, ask the court clerk for [What Is “Proof of Personal Service”? \(form GV-200-INFO\)](#). Note: A sheriff or marshal can serve the order for free.

Do I need a lawyer?

Having a lawyer is always a good idea, but it is not required and you are not entitled to a free, court-appointed attorney. Ask the court clerk about free and low-cost legal services and self-help centers in your county.

What do I have to prove to get the order?

You will have to convince the judge that the person to be restrained poses a significant danger in the near future of causing personal injury to themselves or another person by having in his or her custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving any of the prohibited items listed on page 1.

You will also have to convince the judge that a gun violence restraining order is needed to prevent personal injury to the person to be restrained or to another person because less restrictive alternatives either have been tried and haven't worked, or are inadequate or inappropriate for the current circumstances.

How can I convince the judge?



You will need to give the judge specific information. You should tell the judge everything that you know about the firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines that the person to be restrained currently owns, including how many the person owns, the types, and where they are kept.

Then you will need to present facts to show that the person to be restrained is dangerous **to themselves or others**. This could be information about any threat of violence that the person to be restrained has made, any violent incident in which the person has been involved, or any crime of violence the person has committed. It could also be evidence that the person to be restrained has violated a protective order or abuses controlled substances or alcohol. It could also be evidence of the unlawful and reckless use, display, or brandishing of a firearm or the recent acquisition of a firearm. Or it could be evidence that the person to be restrained has been identified by a mental health provider as someone prohibited from purchasing, possessing or controlling any firearms.

You should include all of this information in your Petition and also be prepared to present it to the judge at the hearing.

GV-100-INFO Can a Gun Violence Restraining Order Help Me?

Do I have to attend a court hearing?

Yes. Attend the hearing on the date listed on *Notice of Court Hearing* (form GV-109).

You can attend the hearing remotely, such as by telephone or videoconference, or go to court in person. Check with your local court for instructions on how to appear remotely. Information is also available on the court's website, which you can find here: www.courts.ca.gov/find-my-court.htm.

Can someone attend the hearing with me?

Yes. Someone can sit with you during the hearing, but that person cannot speak for you to the court. Only you or your lawyer (if you have one) can speak for you.

Do I need to bring a witness to the hearing?

Witnesses are not required, but it helps to have more proof than just your word. For example, consider bringing:

- Witnesses
- Written statements from witnesses made under oath
- Photos
- Medical or police reports
- Damaged property
- Threatening letters, emails, or telephone messages

The court may or may not let witnesses speak at the hearing. So, if possible, you should bring their written statements under oath to the hearing. (You can use [Declaration \(form MC-030\)](#) for this purpose.)

Will I see the restrained person at the court hearing?

If the person attends the hearing, yes. If you are afraid, tell the court.

How long does the order last?

If the court makes a temporary order, it will last until your hearing date, which must be within 21 days of the date of the temporary order. If at the hearing the court issues a more permanent order, it will last for one to five years. It may be renewed for an additional one to five years.

What if the restrained person does not obey the order?

Call the police. The restrained person can be arrested and charged with a crime.

Can I agree with the restrained person to terminate the order?

No. Once the order is issued, only the judge can change or terminate it. The restrained person would have to file a request with the court to terminate the order.



What if I need help to understand English?

When you file your papers, ask the clerk if a court interpreter is available. You can also use form [INT-300, Request for Interpreter \(Civil\)](#), or a local court form or website to request an interpreter. For more information about court interpreters, go to <https://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/request-interpreter>.

What if I have a disability?

If you have a disability and need an accommodation while you are at court, you can use form [MC-410, Disability Accommodation Request](#), to make your request. You can also ask the ADA Coordinator in your court for help. For more information, see form [MC-410-INFO, How to Request a Disability Accommodation for Court](#).

Information about the process is also available online.

<http://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/GV-restraining-order>.

For help in your area, contact:

[Local information may be inserted.]

Petitioner must complete items ① and ② only.

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

Case Number:

① Petitioner

Your Full Name or Name of Law Enforcement Agency:

- I am:
- ☐ A family member of the Respondent.
 - ☐ An officer of a law enforcement agency.
 - ☐ An employer of the Respondent.
 - ☐ A coworker of the Respondent.
 - ☐ An employee or teacher of a secondary or postsecondary school that the Respondent has attended in the last 6 months.
 - ☐ A roommate of the Respondent.
 - ☐ A person who has a dating relationship with the Respondent.
 - ☐ A person who has a child in common with the Respondent.

② Respondent

Full Name: _____

The court will complete the rest of this form.

③ Hearing

Hearing
Date

Date: _____ Time: _____
Dept.: _____ Room: _____

Name and address of court if different from above:

You may attend your hearing remotely, such as by phone or videoconference. For more information, go to the court's website for the county listed above. To find the court's website, go to www.courts.ca.gov/find-my-court.htm.

To the person in ②:

- If you attend the hearing (in person, by phone, or by videoconference) and the judge grants a restraining order against you, the order will be effective immediately, and you could be arrested if you violate the order.
- If you do not attend the hearing, the judge may still grant the restraining order that could last up to five years. After you receive a copy of the order, you could be arrested if you violate the order.

④ Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order *(Any order granted is on form GV-110, served with this notice.)*

- a. A Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order as requested in *Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-100) is *(check only one box below)*:

- (1) ☐ **GRANTED** until the court hearing.
- (2) ☐ **DENIED** until the court hearing. *(Specify reasons for denial in b, below.)*



4 b. Reasons for denial of a Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order as requested in *Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-100) are:

- (1) ☐ The facts as stated in form GV-100 do not show that there is a substantial likelihood that both of the following are true:

Respondent poses a significant danger of causing personal injury to themselves or another person by having custody or control of, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines. This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531).

A gun violence restraining order is necessary to prevent personal injury to Respondent or to another person because less restrictive alternatives either have been tried and found to be ineffective, or have been determined to be inadequate or inappropriate for the current circumstances.

- (2) ☐ Other (as stated): ☐ Below ☐ On Attachment 4b(2)

5 Service of Documents on Respondent

At least ☐ five ☐ _____ calendar days before the hearing, a law enforcement officer or someone age 18 or older—and not a party to the action—must personally give (serve) a court file-stamped copy of this form GV-109 to the Respondent, along with a copy of all the forms indicated below:

- a. GV-100, *Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (file-stamped)
- b. ☐ GV-110, *Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order* (file-stamped) **IF GRANTED**
- c. GV-120, *Response to Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (blank form)
- d. GV-120-INFO, *How Can I Respond to a Petition for a Gun Violence Restraining Order?*
- e. GV-125, *Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order and Surrender of Firearms* (blank form)
- f. ☐ Other (specify): _____

Date: _____

Judicial Officer



To the Petitioner in 1:

- The court cannot make an order at the court hearing unless the Respondent has been personally given (served) a copy of the Petition and a temporary order if issued. To show that the Respondent has been served, the person who served the forms must fill out a proof of service form. *Proof of Personal Service* (form GV-200) may be used.
- For information about service, read *What Is "Proof of Personal Service"?* (form GV-200-INFO).
- You may ask to reschedule the hearing if you are unable to find the Respondent and need more time to serve, or for other good reasons. Use *Request to Continue Court Hearing for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-115).
- You must attend the hearing if you want the judge to make any of the orders you requested on form GV-100, *Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order*. Bring any evidence or witnesses you have. For more information, read form GV-100-INFO, *Can a Gun Violence Restraining Order Help Me?*

To the Respondent:

- If you want to oppose the *Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-100) in writing, file *Response to Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-120) and have someone age 18 or older—**not you**—mail it to the Petitioner.
- The person who mailed the form must fill out a proof of service form. *Proof of Service by Mail* (form GV-250) may be used. File the completed form with the court before the hearing and bring a copy with you to the court hearing.
- Whether or not you respond in writing, attend the hearing if you want the judge to hear from you before making an order. You may tell the judge why you agree or disagree with the order requested.
- You may bring witnesses and other evidence.
- At the hearing, the judge may order you to turn in to law enforcement, or sell to or store with, a licensed gun dealer, any firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines that you own or possess. This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531). If issued, the order will last for one year.
- If you do not oppose the petition and are willing to give up your firearm rights, complete and file a *Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order and Surrender of Firearms* (form GV-125).
- If you are unable to attend your court hearing or need more time to prepare your case, you may ask to reschedule your court date. Use *Request to Continue Court Hearing for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-115).

**Request for Accommodations**

Assistive listening systems, computer-assisted real-time captioning, or sign language interpreter services are available if you ask at least five days before the hearing. Contact the clerk's office or go to www.courts.ca.gov/forms for *Disability Accommodation Request* (form MC-410). (Civ. Code, § 54.8.)

(Clerk will fill out this part.)

—Clerk's Certificate—

I certify that this *Notice of Court Hearing* (form GV-109) is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the court.

Clerk's Certificate

[seal]

Date: _____

Clerk, by _____, Deputy

Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

Case Number:

Petitioner must complete items ① and ② only.

① Petitioner

a. Your Full Name or Name of Law Enforcement Agency:

- I am: ☐ A family member of the Respondent
☐ An officer of a law enforcement agency
☐ An employer of the Respondent
☐ A coworker of the Respondent
☐ An employee or teacher of a secondary or postsecondary school that the Respondent has attended in the last 6 months
☐ A roommate of the Respondent.
☐ A person who has a dating relationship with the Respondent.
☐ A person who has a child in common with the Respondent.

b. Your Lawyer (if you have one for this case):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

c. Your Address (If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or email. Law enforcement officer, give agency information.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

② Respondent

(Give all the information you know. Information with a star (*) is required to add this order to the California police database. If age is unknown, give an estimate.)

*Full Name: _____	*Age: _____	Date of Birth: _____
*Race: _____	Height: _____	Weight: _____
*Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> Nonbinary	Home Address: _____	
City: _____	State: _____	Zip: _____
Relationship to Protected Person: _____		

The court will complete the rest of this form.

③ Expiration Date

This Order expires at the end of the hearing scheduled for the date and time below:

Date: _____ Time: _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m.

This is a Court Order.



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- ☐ Having examined ☐ Petitioner ☐ and other witnesses under oath,
☐ Having considered the declarations of ☐ Petitioner ☐ and other witnesses under penalty of perjury,

a. The court finds that there is a substantial likelihood that both of the following are true:

- (1) Respondent poses a significant danger in the near future of causing personal injury to himself or another person by having in their custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines. This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531).
- (2) A temporary gun violence restraining order is necessary to prevent personal injury to Respondent or to another person because less restrictive alternatives either have been tried and found to be ineffective, or have been determined to be inadequate or inappropriate for the current circumstances.

- b. ☐ The court has received credible information that Respondent owns or possesses one or more firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines.
- c. ☐ The facts as stated in the Petition and supporting documents, which are incorporated here by reference, establish sufficient grounds for the issuance of this Order. And for the reasons stated below.

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- ☐ See the attached *Attachment* (form MC-025).

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If the sheriff or marshal serves this order, service will be free.

This is a Court Order.

- 6 No Firearms (Guns), Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines**
- a. You cannot have in your custody or control, own, purchase, possess, or receive, or attempt to purchase or receive, any prohibited items listed below in b.
 - b. **Prohibited items are:**
 - (1) Firearms (guns);
 - (2) Firearm parts, meaning receivers, frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531);
 - (3) Ammunition; and
 - (4) Magazines (ammunition feeding devices).
 - c. The court has received credible information that you own or possess one or more prohibited items that have not been turned in, sold, or stored. You must surrender (turn in, sell, or store) all prohibited items in your custody or control or that you possess or own. If a law enforcement officer asks you to turn over your prohibited items, you must do so immediately. If no request is made by a law enforcement officer, you must surrender all prohibited items within 24 hours of being served with this Order. You may surrender these items by turning them in to law enforcement, selling them to a licensed gun dealer, or storing them with a licensed gun dealer for as long as this Order or any more permanent order granted at the hearing in item **3** is in effect.
 - d. Within 48 hours of receiving this Order, you must file a receipt with the court that proves that all your prohibited items have been turned in, sold, or stored. (You may use *Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines* (form GV-800) for the receipt.) You must also file a copy of the receipt with the law enforcement agency that served you with this order. **FAILURE TO FILE THIS RECEIPT IS A VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER.**

7 Number of pages attached to this Order, if any: _____

Date: _____
_____ *Judicial Officer*

Warnings and Notices to the Respondent

To the restrained person: This Order is valid until the expiration date and time noted on page 1. You are required to surrender all firearms, ammunition, and magazines that you own or possess in accordance with section 18120 of the Penal Code and you may not have in your custody or control, own, purchase, possess, or receive, or attempt to purchase or receive, any firearm, ammunition, or magazines while this order is in effect. A hearing will be held on the date and at the time noted on Page 1 to determine if a more permanent gun violence restraining order should be issued. Failure to appear at the hearing may result in a court making an order against you that is valid for a period between one and five years. You may seek the advice of an attorney as to any matter connected with the order. The attorney should be consulted promptly so that the attorney may assist you in any matter connected with the order.

Violation of this Order is a misdemeanor. If you violate this Order, you will be prohibited from having in your custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, any prohibited items listed in item 6b, above, for a period of five years. This Order must be enforced by any law enforcement officer in the state of California who is aware of or shown a copy of this Order. The Order remains enforceable regardless of the acts of the parties; it may be changed only by an order of the court.

This is a Court Order.



After You Have Been Served With a Temporary Order

- Obey the order by turning in all firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, and magazines to a law enforcement agency or selling them to or storing them with a licensed gun dealer.
- Read *How Can I Respond to a Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order?* (form GV-120-INFO) to learn how to respond to this Order.
- If you do not oppose the petition, fill out *Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order and Surrender of Firearms* (form GV-125) and file it with the court clerk.
- If you disagree with the petition, fill out *Response to Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-120) and file it with the court clerk.
- You must have form GV-120 served by mail on the Petitioner or the Petitioner's attorney. You cannot do this yourself. The person who does the mailing should complete and sign *Proof of Service by Mail* (form GV-250). File the completed proof of service with the court clerk before the hearing date or bring it with you to the hearing.
- In addition to the response, you may file and have declarations served, signed by you and other persons who have personal knowledge of the facts. You may use *Declaration* (form MC-030) for this purpose. It is available from the clerk's office at the court shown on page 1 of this form or at www.courts.ca.gov/forms. If you do not know how to prepare a declaration, you should see a lawyer.
- Whether or not you file a response, you should attend the hearing. If you have any witnesses, they must also attend the hearing. You and your witnesses may attend the hearing remotely (check with your court for instructions).
- At the hearing, the judge can make a gun violence restraining order against you that lasts between one to five years. Tell the judge why you disagree with the order requested.

Instructions for Law Enforcement

Duties of Officer Serving This Order

The officer who serves this order on the Restrained Person must do the following:

- Ask if the Restrained Person is in possession of any of the prohibited items listed in item 6b, above, or has custody or control of any that they have not already turned in.
- Order the Restrained Person to immediately surrender to you all prohibited items.
- Issue a receipt to the Restrained Person for all prohibited items that have been surrendered.
- Complete a proof of personal service and file it with the court. You may use form GV-200 for this purpose.
- Within one business day of service, submit the proof of service directly into the California Restraining and Protective Order System (CARPOS), including the serving officer's name and law enforcement agency.

Duties of Agency on Surrender of Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, or Magazines

The law enforcement agency that has received the surrendered prohibited items listed in item 6b, above, must do the following:

- Retain the prohibited items until the termination or expiration of this Order or of any other gun violence restraining order issued by the court.
- On the expiration of this Order or of any later gun violence restraining order issued by the court, return the prohibited items to the respondent as provided by chapter 2 of division 11 of title 4 of the Penal Code (commencing with section 33850). Section 34000 provides for the sale or destruction of any unclaimed items.

This is a Court Order.



Instructions for Law Enforcement*(continued)*

- If someone other than the Respondent claims title to any of the prohibited items surrendered, determine whether that person is the lawful owner. If so, return the prohibited items to that person as provided by chapter 2 of division 11 of title 4 of the Penal Code (commencing with section 33850).

Enforcing This Order

The law enforcement officer should determine if the Respondent had notice of the order. Consider the Respondent “served” (given notice) if:

- The officer sees a copy of the proof of service or confirms that the proof of service is on file; or
- The Respondent was informed of the order by an officer; or
- The officer sees a filed copy of form GV-125.

An officer can obtain information about the contents of the order and proof of service in CARPOS. If proof of service on the Respondent cannot be verified, the agency must advise the restrained person of the terms of the order and then enforce it (*see above: Duties of Officer Serving This Order*).

The provisions in this *Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order* do not affect those of any other protective or restraining order in effect, including a criminal protective order. The provisions in any other another existing protective order remain in effect.

(Clerk will fill out this part.)

Clerk's Certificate
[seal]

—Clerk's Certificate—

I certify that this *Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order (CLETS-TGV)* (form GV-110) is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the court.

Date: _____ Clerk, by _____, Deputy

This is a Court Order.

Request to Continue Court Hearing for Gun Violence Restraining Order

Instructions: Use this form to ask the court to reschedule the court date listed on *Notice of Court Hearing* (form **GV-009**, **GV-109**, or **GV-110**) or *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form **EPO-002**).

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Fill in case number:

Case Number:

1 My Information

a. My name is: _____

b. I am the:

(1) ☐ **Petitioner** (person asking for the protective order or law enforcement officer/law enforcement agency) (skip to **2**).

(2) ☐ **Respondent** (give your contact information below).

Address where I can receive mail:

This address will be used by the court and other party to notify you in this case. If you want to keep your home address private, you can use another address like a post office box or another person's address, if you have their permission. If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's address and contact information.

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Additional contact information (optional):

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

Lawyer's information (skip if you do not have one):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

2 Information About My Case

a. The other party in this case is (full name): _____

b. I have a court date currently scheduled for (date): _____

This is not a Court Order.



3 Why does the court date need to be rescheduled?

- a. ☐ I could not get the papers served before the court date. I need more time to have the respondent personally served.
- b. ☐ I am either the petitioner or the respondent. I request the the court reschedule the court date for these reasons:

4 Current orders in effect

- a. Is a temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order or Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order in effect?
- ☐ Yes. Date the order was made, if known: _____
Please attach a copy of the order if there is one.
- ☐ No.
- ☐ I don't know.
- b. If you are the respondent and answered yes or I don't know above, have you turned in, sold, or stored your prohibited items (guns, firearm parts, ammunition, and magazines)? (Skip if you are the petitioner or answered no above)
- ☐ Yes.
- ☐ No.

Notice: If the court date is rescheduled, the *Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form **GV-110**) or *Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order* (form **EPO-002**) will remain in effect until the end of the new court date, unless otherwise ordered by the court.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

Date: _____

Type or print your name



Sign your name

Date: _____

Lawyer's name, if you have one



Lawyer's signature

This is not a Court Order.

Response to Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order

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Use this form to respond to the Petition (form GV-100)

- Read *How Can I Respond to a Petition for a Gun Violence Restraining Order?* (form GV-120-INFO) to protect your rights.
- If you agree to the Petition for a gun violence restraining order filed against you, use *Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order and Surrender of Firearms* (form GV-125) to agree to a voluntary gun violence restraining order.
- If you do not agree to the gun violence restraining order filed against you, fill out this form and take it to the filing window at the court.
- Have someone age 18 or older—**not you**—mail a copy of this form and any attached pages to the Petitioner or to their lawyer. (Use *Proof of Service by Mail* (form GV-250).)

Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

See Petition for case number and fill in:

Case Number:

1 Petitioner

Name of person or law enforcement agency seeking order (see form GV-100, item ①):

2 Respondent

a. Your Name: _____

Your Lawyer (if you have one for this case):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

b. Your Address (If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or email.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

Be prepared to tell the court at the hearing why you don't agree. Write your hearing date, time, and place from form GV-109 item ③ here:

Hearing
Date

→ Date: _____ Time: _____

Dept.: _____ Room: _____

If a Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order was issued, you must obey it until the hearing. At the hearing, the court may make an order against you for one to five years.

3 Gun Violence Restraining Order

☐ I do not agree to the order requested in the Petition because:

☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on an attached sheet of paper and write "Attachment 3—Reasons I Disagree" as a title. You may use Attachment (form MC-025).



4 ☐ **Denial**

I did not do anything described in item **6** of form GV-100.

5 ☐ **Justification or Excuse**

If I did some or all of the things that the Petitioner has accused me of, my actions were justified or excused for the following reasons (*explain*):

☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on an attached sheet of paper and write "Attachment 5—Justification or Excuse" as a title. You may use Attachment (form MC-025).

6 **Firearms (Guns), Firearms Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines**

If a **Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order** (form GV-110) was issued, you cannot own or possess any firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines. This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531). (See item **6** of form GV-110.) You must sell to or store with a licensed gun dealer, or turn in to a law enforcement agency or officer, any of those items in your immediate possession or control within 24 hours of being served with form GV-110. You must file a receipt with the court. You may use *Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines* (form GV-800) for the receipt.

- a. ☐ I do not own or control any firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines.
- b. ☐ I have turned in my firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, and magazines to a law enforcement officer or agency, or sold them to or stored them with a licensed gun dealer. A copy of the receipt ☐ is attached. ☐ has already been filed with the court.

7 Number of pages attached to this form, if any: _____

Date: _____

Lawyer's name (if any)

Lawyer's signature

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above and on all attachments is true and correct.

Date: _____

Type or print your name

Sign your name

What is a gun violence restraining order?

It is a court order that temporarily prohibits someone from having any firearms (guns), firearm parts (also called “ghost guns”), ammunition, or magazines (any ammunition feeding device). This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531). The person must turn in, sell, or store all such items that the person currently owns.

For more information about prohibited items and obeying these orders, please see <http://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/restraining-orders/prohibited-items>.

I've been served with a *Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order*. What do I do?

Read the papers served on you very carefully. The *Notice of Court Hearing* (form GV-109) tells you when to appear in court. There may also be a *Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-110) prohibiting you from having any firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines and requiring you to turn in, sell, or store any such items that you currently own or possess. You must obey the order until the hearing.

Who can ask for a gun violence restraining order?

The petition must have been filed by a:

- Law enforcement officer or agency,
- An employer,
- A coworker who has had “regular interactions” with you for at least a year,
- A teacher or employee of a school that you have attended in the last 6 months,
- An immediate family member of yours,
- A roommate,
- Somebody in a dating relationship with you, or
- Somebody who shares a child with you.

“Immediate family member” is defined to include people who are not blood relatives. The definition includes (1) your spouse or domestic partner; (2) you or your spouse’s parents, children, siblings, grandparents, and grandchildren and their spouses, including any stepparent or stepgrandparent; and (3) you or your spouse’s aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, first and second cousins, great-grandparents, and great-grandchildren if you have had substantial and regular interactions for at least a year.

What if I don't obey the temporary order?

The police can arrest you. You can go to jail and pay a fine. You could lose access to firearms and other items for a longer period of time.

**What if I don't agree with what the order says?**

If you disagree with the order that the Petitioner is asking for, fill out [Response to Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order \(form GV-120\)](#) before your hearing date and file it with the court. You can get the form from legal publishers or from the California Courts website at www.courts.ca.gov/forms. You also may be able to find it at your local courthouse or county law library.

What if I don't oppose the Petition?

If you agree to give up your access to firearms and your rights to own, possess, and buy guns, firearm parts, ammunition, and magazines for the time period requested in the petition, which is between one and five years, then you can fill out [Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order and Surrender of Firearms \(form GV-125\)](#) and check the box for item 4a. Make sure you take it to the court clerk and file it, and then mail it to the person or law enforcement agency that applied for the petition. The court will issue the gun violence restraining order before the hearing and remove the hearing from the calendar. You do not have to go to your court date, and the court will mail you a copy of the order. Make sure you check with the court to see if you have to show up for your court date.

Will I have to pay a filing fee?

No.

Do I have to serve the other person with a copy of my response?

Yes. Have someone age 18 or older—**not you**—mail a copy of completed *Response to Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-120) to the person who asked for the order (or that person’s lawyer). (This is called “service by mail.”)

The person who serves the form by mail must fill out [Proof of Service by Mail \(form GV-250\)](#). Have the person who did the mailing sign the original. Take the completed form back to the court clerk or bring it with you to the hearing.

Do I need a lawyer?

Having a lawyer is always a good idea, but it is not required, and you are not entitled to a free, court-appointed attorney. Ask the court clerk about free and low-cost legal services and self-help centers in your county.

Should I attend the court hearing?

Yes. You should attend the hearing on the date listed on *Notice of Court Hearing* (form GV-109). If you do not attend the hearing, the judge can extend the order against you for a period between one and five years without hearing from you.



GV-109 Notice of Court Hearing

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

1 **Petitioner**

a. Your Full Name: _____

I am: ☐ A family member of the Respondent
☐ A law enforcement officer employed by (name of law enforcement agency): _____

b. Your Lawyer (if you have one for this case):
 Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____
 Firm Name: _____

c. Your Address (if you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or e-mail. Law enforcement officer, give agency information.)
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Telephone: _____ Fax: _____
 E-Mail Address: _____

2 **Respondent**

Full Name: _____

3 **Hearing**

The court will complete the rest of this form.

Hearing Date: _____ Time: _____
 Dept.: _____ Room: _____

4 **Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order** (Any order granted is on Form GV-110, served with this notice.)

a. A Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order as requested in Form GV-100, *Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order*, is (check only one box below):

(1) ☐ GRANTED until the court hearing.

(2) ☐ DENIED until the court hearing. (Specify reasons for denial in b, below.)

Notice of Court Hearing (Gun Violence Prevention) GV-109, Page 1 of 3

You can attend the hearing remotely, such as by telephone or videoconference, or go to court in person. Check with your local court for instructions on how to appear remotely. Information is also available on the court's website, which you can find here:

www.courts.ca.gov/find-my-court.htm.

Information about the process is also available online.

<http://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/GV-restraining-order>.

How long does the order last?

If the court issued a temporary restraining order before the hearing, it will last until your hearing date. At that time, the court will decide whether to issue a gun violence restraining order that can last for one to five years.

Will I see the person who asked for the order at the court hearing?

Assume that the person who is asking for the order will attend the hearing. It is probably best not to talk to them unless the judge or that person's attorney says that you can.

Can I bring a witness to the court hearing?

Yes. You can bring witnesses or documents that support your case to the hearing. But if possible, you should also bring the witnesses' written statements of what they saw or heard. Their statements must be made under penalty of perjury. (You can use [Declaration \(form MC-030\)](#) for this purpose.)

Can I agree with the protected person to terminate the order?

No. Once the order is issued, only the judge can change or terminate it. You would have to file a request with the court to terminate the order.



What if I need help to understand English?

When you file your papers, ask the clerk if a court interpreter is available. You can also use form [INT-300, Request for Interpreter \(Civil\)](#), or a local court form or website to request an interpreter. For more information about court interpreters, go to <https://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/request-interpreter>.

What if I have a disability?

If you have a disability and need an accommodation while you are at court, you can use form [MC-410, Disability Accommodation Request](#), to make your request. You can also ask the ADA Coordinator in your court for help. For more information, see form [MC-410-INFO, How to Request a Disability Accommodation for Court](#).

For help in your area, contact:

[Local information may be inserted.]

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Use this form if you have been served with a Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order (form GV-100) and you want to agree to voluntarily give up your firearm rights without a court hearing.

- Fill out this form and take it to the court clerk.
- Have someone age 18 or older—**not you**—mail a copy of this form and any attached pages to the Petitioner or to their lawyer. (Use *Proof of Service by Mail* (form GV-250).)
- If you do not agree to a gun violence restraining order, use *Response to Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-120) to tell the court you oppose a gun violence restraining order.

Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

See Petition for case number and fill in:

Case Number:

1 Petitioner

Name of person or law enforcement agency seeking order (see form GV-100, item ①):

2 Respondent

- a. Your Name: _____
 Your Lawyer (if you have one for this case):
 Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____
 Firm Name: _____
- b. Your Address (If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or email.)
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Telephone: _____ Fax: _____
 Email Address: _____

3 Gun Violence Restraining Order

- ☐ • By checking this box and signing this form, I agree to give up my right to own, possess, or purchase firearms (guns), firearm parts, magazines, and ammunition for the time requested in the petition (between one to five years) or, if no time is specified, then for one year. This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531).
- I am not contesting the petition.
 - I understand that the petitioner can request to renew this order for one to five years.
 - I understand that I can only request to terminate this order once per year while it is in effect.



4 Firearms (Guns), Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines

- After you file this form, the court will issue a *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing or Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-130) and send it to you and the petitioner in the mail.
- This form will be listed in the statewide California Restraining and Protective Order System, where it will be accessible to all law enforcement.
- You cannot own or possess any guns, other firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines. This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531). You must sell to or store with a licensed gun dealer, or turn in to a law enforcement agency, those items in your immediate possession or control within 48 hours of filing this form. You must file a receipt with the court. You may use *Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines* (form GV-800) for the receipt.

- a. ☐ I do not own or control any firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines.
- b. ☐ I have turned in my firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, and magazines to a law enforcement officer or agency, or sold them to or stored them with a licensed gun dealer. A copy of the receipt ☐ is attached. ☐ has already been filed with the court.

Instructions to Clerk

- On the filing of *Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order and Surrender of Firearms* (form GV-125), submit the proposed order, *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing or Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-130) to the judicial officer, because the court must issue the order at least five court days before the scheduled hearing, or if this form is filed within five court days before the scheduled hearing, the court must issue, without any hearing, the gun violence restraining order, as soon as possible.
- Within one business day of issuance of the order, submit this form directly into the California Restraining and Protective Order System (CARPOS) or to law enforcement to enter into CARPOS within one business day of receipt from the court.

Date: _____

*Lawyer's name (if any)*_____
Lawyer's signature

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above and on all attachments is true and correct.

Date: _____

*Type or print your name*_____
Sign your name

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Petitioner must complete items ① and ② only.

① Petitioner

a. Your Full Name or Name of Law Enforcement Agency:

- I am: ☐ A family member of the Respondent.
☐ An officer of a law enforcement agency (*A petition may be filed in the name of the law enforcement agency in which the officer is employed.*)
☐ An employer of the Respondent.
☐ A coworker of the Respondent.
☐ An employee or teacher of a secondary or postsecondary school that the Respondent has attended in the last 6 months.
☐ A roommate of the Respondent.
☐ A person who has a dating relationship with the Respondent.
☐ A person who has a child in common with the Respondent.

b. Your Lawyer (*if you have one for this case*):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

c. Your Address (*If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or email. Law enforcement officer, give agency information.*)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____ Fax: _____

Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of _____

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

Case Number: _____

② Respondent

(Give all the information you know. Information with a star () is required to add this order to the California police database. If age is unknown, give an estimate.)*

*Full Name: _____ *Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____
 *Race: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____ Hair Color: _____ Eye Color: _____
 *Gender: ☐ M ☐ F ☐ Nonbinary Home Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Relationship to Protected Person: _____

The court will complete the rest of this form.

③ Expiration Date

This Order expires at:(Time): _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m. ☐ midnight on (date): _____

If no expiration date is written here, this Order expires one year from the date of issuance.

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- a. ☐ There was a hearing *(date)*: _____ at *(time)*: _____ in Dept.: _____ Room: _____.
(Name of judicial officer): _____ made the orders at the hearing.
- b. ☐ These people attended the hearing.
- (1) ☐ The Petitioner (3) ☐ The lawyer for the Petitioner *(name)*: _____
- (2) ☐ The Respondent (4) ☐ The lawyer for the Respondent *(name)*: _____
- c. ☐ There was not a hearing because Respondent filed a *Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order and Surrender of Firearms* (form GV-125).

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- a. The court finds by clear and convincing evidence that the following are true:
- (1) Respondent poses a significant danger of causing personal injury to themselves or another person by having in their custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines. This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531).
- (2) A gun violence restraining order is necessary to prevent personal injury to Respondent or to another person because less restrictive alternatives either have been tried and found to be ineffective, or have been determined to be inadequate or inappropriate for the current circumstances.
- b. ☐ The court has received credible information that the Respondent owns or possesses one or more firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or one or more magazines.
- c. ☐ The facts as stated in the Petition and supporting documents, which are incorporated here by reference, establish sufficient grounds for the issuance of this Order. Any reasons stated below apply as well.
- _____
- _____
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- _____
- ☐ See the attached *Attachment* (form MC-025).
- d. ☐ The Respondent filed *Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order and Surrender of Firearms* (form GV-125). The court finds that Respondent agreed not to have in Respondent's custody or control, own, purchase, possess, or receive a firearm, firearm part, ammunition, or magazine or attempt to purchase or receive those items until: *(expiration date)* _____.

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6 No Fee to Serve

If the sheriff or marshal serves this order, service will be free.

7 No Firearms (Guns), Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines

- a. You cannot have in your custody or control, own, purchase, possess, or receive, or attempt to purchase or receive, any prohibited items listed below in b.
- b. **Prohibited items are:**
 - (1) Firearms (guns);
 - (2) Firearm parts, meaning receivers, frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531);
 - (3) Ammunition; and
 - (4) Magazines (ammunition feeding devices).
- c. You must surrender (turn in, sell, or store) all prohibited items in your custody or control or that you possess or own. If a law enforcement officer asks you to turn over your prohibited items, you must do so immediately. If no request is made by a law enforcement officer, you must surrender all prohibited items within 24 hours of being served with this Order. You may surrender these items by turning them in to law enforcement, selling them to a licensed gun dealer, or storing them with a licensed gun dealer for as long as this Order is in effect.
- d. Within 48 hours of receiving this Order, you must file a receipt with the court that proves that all your prohibited items have been turned in, sold, or stored. (You may use *Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines* (form GV-800) for the receipt.) You must also file a copy of the receipt with the law enforcement agency that served you with this order. **FAILURE TO FILE THIS RECEIPT IS A VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER.**

8 Service of Order on Respondent

- a. ☐ The Respondent was present in court, either physically or remotely (by telephone or videoconference), at the time the order was issued. No other proof of service is needed. The clerk has provided the Respondent with a blank copy of *Request to Terminate Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-600).
- b. ☐ The Respondent was not present in court at the time the order was issued. The Respondent must be personally served with a court file-stamped copy of this Order and a blank copy of *Request to Terminate Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-600) by a law enforcement officer or someone age 18 or older, **and not a party to the action.**
- c. ☐ This is an order based on the Respondent's filing of a *Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order and Surrender of Firearms* (form GV-125). The court will provide notice to all parties.

9 Number of pages attached to this Order, if any: _____

Date: _____

Judicial Officer

This is a Court Order.



Warnings and Notices to the Respondent

To the restrained person: This Order is valid until the expiration date and time noted on page 1. If you have not done so already, you must surrender all firearms, ammunition, and magazines that you own or possess in accordance with section 18120 of the Penal Code. You may not have in your custody or control, own, purchase, possess, or receive, or attempt to purchase or receive a firearm, ammunition, or magazine, while this Order is in effect. Pursuant to section 18185, you have the right to request a hearing on an annual basis to terminate this Order during its effective period. You may seek the advice of an attorney as to any matter connected with the order.

Violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a \$1,000 fine or imprisonment for six months or both. (Pen. Code, §§ 19, 18205.) If you violate this Order, you will be prohibited from having in your custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, any prohibited items listed in item 7b, above, for a period of five years. This Order must be enforced by any law enforcement officer in the State of California who is aware of or shown a copy of this Order. The Order remains enforceable regardless of the acts of the parties; it may be terminated only by an order of the court.

Instructions for Law Enforcement

Duties of Officer Serving This Order

The officer who serves this order on the Restrained Person must do the following:

- Ask if the Restrained Person is in possession of any of the prohibited items listed in item 7b, above, or has custody or control of any that they have not already turned in.
- Order the Restrained Person to immediately surrender to you all prohibited items.
- Issue a receipt to the Restrained Person for all prohibited items that have been surrendered.
- Complete a proof of personal service and file it with the court. The officer may use form GV-200 for this purpose.
- Within one business day of service, submit the proof of service directly into the California Restraining and Protective Order System (CARPOS), including the serving officer's name and law enforcement agency.

Duties of Agency on Surrender of Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition and Magazines

The law enforcement agency that has received surrendered prohibited items listed in item 7b, above, must do the following:

- Retain the prohibited items until the expiration of this order or of any other gun violence restraining order issued by the court.
- On the expiration of this order or of any later gun violence restraining order issued by the court, return the prohibited items to the Respondent as provided by chapter 2 of division 11 of title 4 of the Penal Code (commencing with section 33850). Section 34000 provides for the sale or destruction of any unclaimed items.
- If someone other than the Respondent claims title to any of the prohibited items surrendered, determine whether that person is the lawful owner. If so, return the prohibited items to that person as provided by chapter 2 of division 11 of title 4 of the Penal Code (commencing with section 33850).

This is a Court Order.



Instructions for Law Enforcement*(continued)***Enforcing This Order**

The law enforcement officer should determine if the Respondent had notice of the order. Consider the Respondent “served” (given notice) if:

- The officer sees a copy of the proof of service or confirms that the proof of service is on file; or
- The respondent was informed of the order by an officer.
- Item 8a or 8c is checked.

An officer can obtain information about the contents of the order and proof of service in CARPOS. If proof of service on the respondent cannot be verified, the agency must advise the restrained person of the terms of the order and then enforce it (*see above: Duties of Officer Serving This Order*).

The provisions in this *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing or Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-130) do not affect those of any other protective or restraining order in effect, including a criminal protective order. The provisions in any other existing protective order remain in effect.

Instructions to Clerk

This order must be served on all parties by the court, if it is made following the filing of a *Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order and Surrender of Firearms* (form GV-125).

(Clerk will fill out this part.)

—Clerk's Certificate—

Clerk's Certificate
[seal]

I certify that this *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing or Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order (CLETS-OGV)* (form GV-130) is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the court.

Date: _____ Clerk, by _____, Deputy

This is a Court Order.

Use this form to respond to the *Request to Terminate Gun Violence Restraining Order* (Form GV-600).

- Fill out this form and then take it to the court clerk.
- Have someone age 18 or older—**not you**—mail a copy of this form and any attached pages to the Respondent at the address in ② below. Use *Proof of Service by Mail* (form GV-250).

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Fill in case number:

Case Number:

The court will consider your response at the hearing. Write your hearing date, time, and place from form GV-610 item ③ here.

Hearing
Date

Date: _____

Time: _____

Dept.: _____ Room: _____

① Petitioner

a. Your Full Name or Name of Law Enforcement Agency:

- I am:
- ☐ A family member of the Respondent.
 - ☐ An officer of a law enforcement agency.
 - ☐ An employer of the Respondent.
 - ☐ A coworker of the Respondent.
 - ☐ An employee or teacher of a secondary or postsecondary school that the Respondent has attended in the last 6 months.
 - ☐ A roommate of the Respondent.
 - ☐ A person who has a dating relationship with the Respondent.
 - ☐ A person who has a child in common with the Respondent.

Your Lawyer (if you have one for this case):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

- b. Your Address (If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or email. Law enforcement officer, give agency information.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

② Respondent

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____




3 Response

- a. ☐ I do not oppose termination of the order.
- b. ☐ I oppose termination of the order for the following reasons (*specify below*):

- ☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on an attached sheet of paper and write “Attachment 3b—Reasons Not to Terminate” for a title. You may use Attachment (form MC-025).


Date:

Lawyer's name, if you have one

Lawyer's signature

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

Date:

Type or print your name

*Sign your name***To the Petitioner:**

1. Have someone age 18 or older—**not you**—mail a copy of this completed form GV-620 to the Respondent or to the Respondent’s lawyer, if any. This is called “service by mail.”
2. The person who serves the form by mail must fill out *Proof of Service by Mail* (form GV-250). Have the person who did the mailing sign the original form GV-250.
3. Take the completed *Proof of Service by Mail* (form GV-250) back to the court clerk or bring it with you to the hearing.

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Fill in case number:

Case Number:

1 Petitioner

a. Your Full Name or Name of Law Enforcement Agency:

- I am: ☐ A family member of the Respondent.
☐ An officer of a law enforcement agency (*a petition may be filed in the name of the law enforcement agency in which the officer is employed*).
☐ An employer of the Respondent.
☐ A coworker of the Respondent.
☐ An employee or teacher of a secondary or postsecondary school that the Respondent has attended in the last 6 months.
☐ A roommate of the Respondent.
☐ A person who has a dating relationship with the Respondent.
☐ A person who has a child in common with the Respondent.

b. Your Lawyer (*if you have one for this case*):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

c. Your Address (*If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or email. Law enforcement officer, give agency information.*)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

2 Respondent

Full Name: _____

Address (*if known*): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

3 Request to Renew Restraining Order

I ask the court to renew the *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing or Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-130) for an additional period of between 1 and 5 years. A copy of the order is attached.a. The order currently will end on (*date*): _____*(If the order has already expired, you must file a new petition.)***This is not a Court Order.**

Case Number:

3 b. ☐ This is my first request to renew the order.
☐ The order has been renewed _____ times.

c. I ask the court to renew the gun violence restraining order because (*explain below*):

This image shows a single sheet of white paper with horizontal blue ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the paper.

☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Attach a sheet of paper and write “Attachment 3c—Reasons to Renew Order” for a title. You may use Attachment (form MC-025).

Date: _____

Lawyer's name (if any)

Lawyer's signature

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above and on all attachments is true and correct.

Date: _____

Type or print your name

Sign your name

This is not a Court Order.

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For your protection and privacy, please press the Clear This Form button after you have printed the form.

Print this form

Save this form

Clear this form

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Fill in case number:

Case Number:

Respondent completes items ① and ②. Court completes items ③ and ④.

① Petitioner

a. Your Full Name or Name of Law Enforcement Agency:

- I am: ☐ A family member of the Respondent.
☐ An officer of a law enforcement agency (*a petition may be filed in the name of the law enforcement agency in which the officer is employed*).
☐ An employer of the Respondent.
☐ A coworker of the Respondent.
☐ An employee or teacher of a secondary or postsecondary school that the Respondent attended in the last 6 months.
☐ A roommate of the Respondent.
☐ A person who has a dating relationship with the Respondent.
☐ A person who has a child in common with the Respondent.

Your Lawyer (*if you have one for this case*):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

 b. Your Address (*If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or email. Law enforcement officer, give agency information.*)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Fax: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

② Respondent

Full Name: _____

Address (*if known*): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

③ Court Hearing

The judge has set a court hearing date. Court will fill in box below.

The current restraining order stays in effect.

Name and address of court if different from above:



Date: _____ Time: _____

Dept.: _____ Room: _____

 You may attend your hearing remotely, such as by phone or videoconference. For more information, go to the court's website for the county listed above. To find the court's website, go to www.courts.ca.gov/find-my-court.htm.

This is a Court Order.


To the Petitioner:**4 Service on Respondent**

Someone age 18 or older—**not you**—must serve a copy of the following forms on the Respondent:

- *Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-700);
- *Notice of Hearing on Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-710) (this form);
- *Response to Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-720) (blank copy);

- a. ☐ The forms must be personally served on the Respondent _____ days before the hearing.
- b. ☐ The forms may be served by mail on the Respondent or the Respondent's lawyer _____ days before the hearing.

Date: _____

*Judicial Officer***To the Respondent:**

At the hearing, the judge can renew the current restraining order for between one and five years. You *must* continue to obey the current restraining order. At the hearing, you can tell the judge if you do not want the order against you renewed. If the restraining order is renewed, you *must* continue to obey the order even if you do not attend the hearing.

If you wish to make a written response to the request to renew the restraining order, you may fill out *Response to Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-720). File the original with the court before the hearing and have someone age 18 or older—**not you**—mail a copy of it to the Petitioner at the address in ① at least _____ days before the hearing. Also file *Proof of Service by Mail* (form GV-250) with the court before the hearing or bring it with you to the hearing.

Requests for Accommodations

Assistive listening systems, computer-assisted real-time captioning, or sign language interpreter services are available if you ask at least five days before the proceeding. Contact the clerk's office or go to www.courts.ca.gov/forms for *Disability Accommodation Request* ([form MC-410](#)). (Civ. Code, § 54.8.)

*(Clerk will fill out this part.)***—Clerk's Certificate—***Clerk's Certificate**[seal]*

I certify that this *Notice of Hearing on Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-710) is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the court.

Date: _____

Clerk, by _____, Deputy

This is a Court Order.

**Request to Reschedule Hearing to
Renew Restraining Order**

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Fill in case number:

Case Number:

Instructions: Either party may use this form to ask the court to reschedule the hearing (court date) listed on form **GV-710, Notice of Hearing on Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order**. Note: If the hearing is rescheduled, the restraining order will be extended until the new court hearing.

1 My Information

a. My name is: _____

b. I am the (*check one*):(1) ☐ **Petitioner** (person asking for the protective order or law enforcement officer/law enforcement agency) (*skip to 2*).(2) ☐ **Restrained Party** (*give your contact information below*).**Address where I can receive mail:**

This address will be used by the court and by the other party to send you official court dates, orders, and papers. For privacy, you may use another address like a post office box, a Safe at Home address, or another person's address, if you have their permission. If you have a lawyer, give their information.

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Additional contact information (optional):

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

Lawyer's information (skip if you do not have one):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

Have you turned in, sold, or stored your prohibited items (guns, firearm parts, ammunition, and magazines)?☐ Yes.☐ No.**2 Information About My Case**a. The other party in this case is (*full name*): _____b. The court date is currently scheduled for (*date*): _____**This is not a Court Order.**

3 Why does the court date need to be rescheduled?a. ☐ I need more time to have the restrained party served.b. ☐ Other reason:

4 Signature

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

Date: _____

Type or print your name_____
*Sign your name***5 Lawyer's signature (if you have one)**

Date: _____

Lawyer's name_____
*Lawyer's signature***Your Next Steps**

- Complete form GV-716, *Order to Reschedule Hearing to Renew Restraining Order* (only items ① and ②).
- File forms GV-715 and GV-716 with the court. A judge will review your forms and decide whether to reschedule your court date.
- If the judge grants your request to reschedule your court date, you must have someone serve a copy of all forms listed on form GV-716, item ⑤. Your server can be the sheriff or another adult who is not involved in the case. For more information on how to serve the restrained person, go to <https://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/GV-restraining-order/renew/sheriff-serves>.
- If the judge denies your request to reschedule, you must go to your court hearing (listed on form GV-710).

Order to Reschedule Hearing to Renew Restraining Order

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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(Complete ① and ② only. The court will complete the rest of this form.)

① **Petitioner:** _____② **Restrained Party:** _____③ **Next Court Date**a. ☐ **Denied:** The request to reschedule the court date is denied.

Your court date is: _____

(1) The *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing or Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-130) granted in this case stays in full force and effect until your court date.

(2) Your court date is not rescheduled because:

b. ☐ **Granted:** The request to reschedule the court date is granted. Your court date is rescheduled for the date and time listed below. The current restraining order stays in effect until the hearing date below or the original expiration date, whichever is later. See ④–⑦ for more information.

Name and address of court, if different from above:

**New
Court
Date**

→ Date: _____ Time: _____

Dept.: _____ Room: _____

Warning and Notice to the Restrained Party:
You must obey the restraining order while it is in effect.

This is a Court Order.


4 Reason Court Date Is Rescheduled

- a. ☐ The petitioner has not served the restrained party.
- b. ☐ Other reason:

5 Serving (Giving) Order to Other Party

The request to reschedule was made by the:

a. ☐ **Petitioner**

- (1) ☐ You do not have to serve the restrained party because they or their lawyer were at the court date or agreed to reschedule the court date.
- (2) ☐ You must have the restrained party personally served with a copy of all the forms listed on form GV-710, item ④, by (date): _____
- (3) ☐ You must have the restrained party served with a copy of this order. This can be done by mail. You must serve by (date): _____

(4) ☐ Other: _____

b. ☐ **Restrained party**

- (1) ☐ You do not have to serve the petitioner because they or their lawyer were at the court date or agreed to reschedule the court date.
- (2) ☐ You must have the petitioner personally served with a copy of this order by (date): _____
- (3) ☐ You must have the petitioner served with a copy of this order. This can be done by mail. You must serve by (date): _____

(4) ☐ Other: _____

c. ☐ **Court**

- (1) ☐ Further notice is not required.
- (2) ☐ The court will mail a copy of this order to all parties by (date): _____
- (3) ☐ Other: _____
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6 No Fee to Serve

The sheriff or marshal will serve this order for free.
Bring a copy of all the papers that need to be served to the sheriff or marshal.

7 ☐ Other Orders

Date: _____

Judicial Officer**Request for Accommodations**

Assistive listening systems, computer-assisted real-time captioning, or sign language interpreter services are available if you ask at least five days before the hearing. Contact the clerk's office or go to www.courts.ca.gov/forms.htm for *Disability Accommodation Request* ([form MC-410](#)). (Civ. Code, § 54.8.)

Instructions to Clerk

If the court rescheduled the court date, the court must enter this order into CLETS or send this order to law enforcement to enter into CLETS. This must be done within one business day from the day the order is made.

—Clerk's Certificate—

Clerk's Certificate

[seal]

I certify that this *Order to Reschedule Hearing to Renew Restraining Order* (form GV-716) is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the court.

Date: _____ Clerk, by: _____, Deputy

This is a Court Order.

Order on Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order

Prevailing party completes items ① and ②. If the Order is granted, the Petitioner is the prevailing party. If the Order is denied, the Respondent is the prevailing party.

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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① Petitioner

a. Your Full Name or Name of Law Enforcement Agency:

- I am:
- ☐ A family member of the Respondent.
 - ☐ An officer of a law enforcement agency (a petition may be filed in the name of the law enforcement agency in which the officer is employed).
 - ☐ An employer of the Respondent.
 - ☐ A coworker of the Respondent.
 - ☐ An employee or teacher of a secondary or postsecondary school that the Respondent attended in the last 6 months.
 - ☐ A roommate of the Respondent.
 - ☐ A person who has a dating relationship with the Respondent.
 - ☐ A person who has a child in common with the Respondent.

Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

Case Number:

Your Lawyer (if you have one for this case):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

b. Your Address (If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or email.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

② Respondent

Full Name: _____

Address (if known): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

③ Hearing

There was a hearing on (date): _____ at time: _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m. Dept.: _____ Room: _____
(Name of judicial officer): _____ made the orders at the hearing.

These people attended the hearing:

- a. ☐ The Petitioner
- b. ☐ The Respondent
- c. ☐ The lawyer for the Petitioner (name): _____
- d. ☐ The lawyer for the Respondent (name): _____

This is a Court Order.



4 Order on Request for Renewal

The request to renew the attached *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing or Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-130), originally issued on (date): _____, is:

☐ **DENIED.** The attached order expires as stated in item (3) of the order.

☐ **GRANTED.** The attached order is renewed and will now expire:

on (date): _____ at (time): _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m. or ☐ midnight

If no expiration date is written here, the order expires one year from the date of the hearing in item (3).

a. The court finds by clear and convincing evidence that both of the following are true:

- (1) Respondent continues to pose a significant danger of causing personal injury to himself or another person by having in his or her custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing, or receiving firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines. This includes firearm receivers and frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531).
- (2) A gun violence restraining order remains necessary to prevent personal injury to Respondent or to another person because less restrictive alternatives either have been tried and found to be ineffective, or have been determined to be inadequate or inappropriate for the current circumstances.

b. ☐ The facts as stated in the *Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order* (form GV-700) and supporting documents, which are incorporated here by reference, establish sufficient grounds for the issuance of this Order. Any reasons stated below apply as well.

☐ See the attached Form MC-025, *Attachment*.

c. **To the restrained person: If this order is renewed, it will last until the date and time noted above. If you have not done so already, you must surrender all firearms, ammunition, and magazines that you own or possess in accordance with section 18120 of the Penal Code. You may not have in your custody or control, own, purchase, possess, or receive, or attempt to purchase or receive a firearm, ammunition, or magazine, while this order is in effect. Pursuant to section 18185, you have the right to request one hearing on an annual basis to terminate this Order at any time during its effective period. You may seek the advice of an attorney as to any matter connected with the order.**

This is a Court Order.



To the Prevailing Party:**5 Service of Order**

Someone age 18 or older—**not you**—must serve a copy of this order on the other party.

- ☐ **Order Granted**—The Respondent was present in court, either physically or remotely (by telephone or videoconference), at the time the order was renewed. **No further service is required.**
- ☐ **Order Granted**—The Respondent was not present in court at the time the order was renewed. **Personal service is required.** The Respondent must be personally served with this Order. *(After the Respondent has been served, file form GV-200, Proof of Personal Service, with the court clerk. For help with service, read form GV-200-INFO, What Is “Proof of Personal Service”?)*
- ☐ **Order Denied—Service by Mail**—If the Petitioner was not present in court at the hearing, the Petitioner may be served with this Order by mail. *(After the Petitioner has been served, the person doing the mailing should fill out form POS-030, Proof of Service by First-Class Mail—Civil. File the form with the court clerk. For help with service by mail, read the Information Sheet on page 2 of form POS-030.)*

Date: _____

*Judicial Officer**(Clerk will fill out this part.)***—Clerk's Certificate—***Clerk's Certificate*
[seal]

I certify that this *Order on Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order* is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the court.

Date: _____ Clerk, by _____, Deputy

This is a Court Order.

1 Petitioner/Requesting Agency

Name: _____

2 Respondent/Restrained Person

a. Your Name: _____

Your Lawyer (if you have one for this case):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

b. Your Address (If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or email.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of _____

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

Case Number: _____

3 To the Restrained Person:

If a judge has ordered you to turn in, sell, or store your firearms (guns), firearm parts—meaning receivers, frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531)—use this form to prove to the judge that you have obeyed their orders. Take this form to law enforcement officer or a licensed gun dealer to complete item ④ or ⑤. For more information on how to properly turn in your items, read form GV-800-INFO, *How Do I Turn In, Sell, or Store My Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines?*

4**To Law Enforcement**

(Complete the section below. Keep a copy and give the original to the person in ②.)

Name of Law Enforcement Agency: _____

Name of Law Enforcement Agent: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Items Surrendered

a. Firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, and magazines transferred on:

Date: _____ Time: _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m.

b. List of items (List all the items surrendered by the person in ②. You may attach a separate form from your agency (e.g., a property report), use item ⑥, or both. Check below if you have attached a separate form):

☐ Separate form is attached. (If it does not include all surrendered items, list additional items in item ⑥.)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

► Signature of law enforcement agent: _____

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To Licensed Gun Dealer*(Complete the section below. Keep a copy and give the original to the person in (2).)*

Name of Licensed Gun Dealer: _____

License number: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Items Stored or Sold

a. Firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, and magazines transferred on:

Date: _____ Time: _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m.b. List of items *(List all the items surrendered by the person in (2). You may attach a separate form (e.g., Department of Justice's Report of Firearms Acquisition) or you may use item (6). Check below if you have attached a separate form):*☐ Separate form is attached. *(If it does not include all surrendered items, list additional items in item (6).)*

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

► Signature of licensed gun dealer: _____

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☐ **List of Items Surrendered****Firearms and firearm parts**

	Make	Model	Serial Number, if there is one	Sold	Stored	To be destroyed
(1)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(4)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(5)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(6)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Ammunition and magazines

	Brand	Type	Amount	Sold	Stored	To be destroyed
(1)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(4)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(5)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(6)	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

☐ Check here if there is not enough space above for your answer. Use a separate sheet of paper to list other items. Write "GV-800, item 6" at the top, and attach it to this form.

7 To the Restrained Person:

Besides the items listed on page 2 or in an attached form, do you have or own any other firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines?

☐ No

☐ Yes *(If yes, check one of the boxes below:)*

- a. ☐ I filed a *Receipt of Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines* (form GV-800) or other proof for those items with the court on *(date):* _____
- b. ☐ I am filing the proof for those firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines along with this proof.
- c. ☐ I have not yet filed the proof for the other firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines. *(Explain why not):*

Your signature

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

Date: _____

Type or print your name



Sign your name

Your Next Steps

- After the form is complete, make two additional copies. Take the copies and original to the court clerk to file.
- If law enforcement served you with the restraining order, give a copy to the law enforcement agency that served you with the restraining order.
- Keep a copy for yourself.

Note that failure to file a receipt with the court and with the law enforcement agency is a violation of the court's order.

What items do I need to turn in, sell, or store?

You must turn in, sell, or store all of the following prohibited items that you have or control:

- Firearms, including any handgun, rifle, shotgun, and assault weapon;
- Firearm parts, meaning receivers, frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (see Penal Code section 16531) (these may also be called “ghost guns”);
- Ammunition, also called ammo, including bullets, shells, cartridges, and clips; and
- Magazines (any ammunition feeding device, whether fixed or removable).

How do I properly turn in, sell, or store the prohibited items?

You must take them to:

- Law enforcement, who will accept all prohibited items and may store them or destroy them;

OR

A licensed gun dealer, who can buy or store firearms.
If you have firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines, call ahead for more information.

When do I have to turn in, sell, or store the prohibited items?

Immediately if law enforcement asks you for the items.
Otherwise, within 24 hours.

Who can I turn in, sell, or store the prohibited items with?

Only law enforcement or a licensed gun dealer. You cannot give your prohibited items to a family member, friend, or anyone else.

Where can I sell the prohibited items?

At a licensed gun dealer in your area. You can search the internet for “Gun Dealers” or “Firearms Dealers” to find one. Make sure the dealer is licensed.

Do I have to pay a fee to store prohibited items?

You may have to pay a fee. Contact your local law enforcement agency or a licensed gun dealer about fees and whether they have space to store your items.

How do I turn in the prohibited items to law enforcement?

Call your local law enforcement agency to ask about their procedures. Unload your firearms and take a copy of the court order with you.

Do not bring firearms to court.

If I turn in the prohibited items to law enforcement, how long will they keep them?

It depends. There are procedures for getting your firearms back after the restraining order has expired. Ask the law enforcement agency for more information.

After I turn in the prohibited items to law enforcement, can I change my mind?

Yes. You are allowed to sell firearms, ammunition, and magazines to a licensed gun dealer. To do this, the gun dealer must present a bill of sale to your local law enforcement agency. The law enforcement agency will give the licensed gun dealer the items that you are selling.

Do I have to prove that I have turned in, sold, or stored the prohibited items?

Yes. Within 48 hours you must file a receipt with the court and the law enforcement agency showing that you have surrendered the prohibited items to a law enforcement agency or sold them to or stored them with a licensed gun dealer. You may use [Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines \(form GV-800\)](#) for this purpose.

Additional Questions?

Contact an attorney for legal advice. Call your local law enforcement agency, for example, your city police or county sheriff for their procedures.

Information about prohibited items and how to obey these orders is also available online.

<https://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/respond-to-GV-restraining-order/obey-firearms-orders>.

For help in your area, contact:

[Local information may be inserted.]

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	Commenter	Position	Comment	Committee Response
1.	Bay Area Legal Aid By Kemi Mustapha Family Law Supervising Attorney	A	BayLegal believes that the proposal addresses the stated purpose of conforming with new state laws that add to the category of individuals who can request gun violence restraining orders (AB 2870) and that require restrained parties to surrender firearm parts under the modified definition of “firearms” (AB 1057 and AB 1621). BayLegal also supports the proposed forms to request continuance of a hearing to renew a gun violence protective order (see also above comments re Item Number SPR23-26).	The committee appreciates the information provided.
2.	Orange County Bar Association by Michael A. Gregg President	A		No response required.
3.	Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles by Bryan Borys Director of Research and Data Management	AM	The following comments are submitted on behalf of the Los Angeles Superior Court. Regarding EPO-002 Gun Violence Emergency Protective Order (CLETS-EGV) form: o Page 1, Section 2: In the first sentence, add “firearm parts” Regarding GV-030 Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing on EPO-002 form: o Page 3, Warning and Notices to the Restrained Person: Add “firearm parts” to list of items that must be surrendered Regarding GV-100-INFO Can a Gun Violence	The committee declines this suggestion as the language in that section is provided in Penal Code section 18135, which does not include “firearm parts.” The committee declines this suggestion as the language in that section is provided in Penal Code section 18135, which does not include “firearm parts.” In light of this comment, “to themselves or

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		Restraining Order Help Me? form: o Page 2, How Can I Convince the Judge?, Second paragraph: Add “to themself or others” at the end of the first sentence, “Then you will need to present facts to show...” for clarity and to match the examples listed in the sentences that follow.	others” has been added to the recommended form.
		Regarding GV-100 Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order form: o Suggest switching Sections 6 & 7 so that the Request comes first, then the Grounds	The committee declines this suggestion as it is helpful for the grounds to come before the request so that the petitioner can verify sufficient grounds exist before they fill out the item requesting the restraining order.
		Regarding GV-109 Notice of Court Hearing form: o Page 3, 3rd bullet: Suggest adding language about using the Sheriff’s Department for service and completing form SER-001	The committee declines this suggestion as it believes it is better suited for an information sheet and will work to add it to form GV-200-INFO as time and resources permit.
		Regarding GV-110 Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order form: o Page 3, Warning and Notices to the Restrained Person: Add “firearm parts” to list of items that must be surrendered	The committee declines this suggestion as the language in that section is provided in Penal Code section 18160, which does not include “firearm parts.”
		Regarding GV-120-INFO How Can I Respond to a Petition for a Gun Violence Restraining Order? form: o Page 2, Should I attend the court hearing?: Correct the phrasing in the sentence “You can	In light of this comment, the change has been made to the recommended form.

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			<p>attend the hearing by remotely..."</p> <p>Regarding GV-130 Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing or Consent to Gun Violence Restraining Order form:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Page 4, Warning and Notices to the Restrained Person: Add "firearm parts" to list of items that must be surrendered <p>Regarding GV-716 Order to Reschedule Hearing to Renew Restraining Order form:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Page 3, Section 6a: The phrase "The order is based on unlawful violence, a credible threat of violence, or stalking" appears to be the criteria for Civil Harassment, not Gun Violence. <p>Regarding GV-730 Order on Request to Renew Gun Violence Restraining Order form:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Page 2, Warning and Notices to the Restrained Person: Add "firearm parts" to list of items that must be surrendered <p>Regarding GV-800-INFO Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazines form:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Page 1, Second column, After I turn in prohibited items to law enforcement, how long will they keep them?: Add "firearm parts" in items permissible to sell 	<p>The committee declines this suggestion as the language in that section is provided in Penal Code section 18180, which does not include "firearm parts."</p> <p>In light of this comment, the recommended form has been corrected to reflect that service is made for free.</p> <p>The committee declines this suggestion as the language in that section is provided in Penal Code section 18180, which does not include "firearm parts."</p> <p>The committee declines this suggestion as certain firearm parts are illegal and thus are not eligible for sale.</p>
4.	Superior Court of California, County of San Diego	AM	<p>Request for Specific Comments</p> <p>Does the proposal appropriately address the</p>	The committee appreciates the information provided.

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by Mike Roddy Executive Officer		stated purpose? Yes.	
		Would the proposal provide cost savings? If so, please quantify. No.	The committee appreciates the information provided.
		What would the implementation requirements be for courts—for example, training staff (please identify position and expected hours of training), revising processes and procedures (please describe), changing docket codes in case management systems, or modifying case management systems? Updating internal procedures and packets, training staff, and adding new forms to case management system.	The committee appreciates the information provided.
		Would three months from Judicial Council approval of this proposal until its effective date provide sufficient time for implementation? Yes, provided the final versions of the forms are provided to the court at that time. This will ensure that the court is able to provide training to staff and update its internal procedures and case management systems.	The committee appreciates the information provided.
		How well would this proposal work in courts of different sizes? It appears the proposal would work for courts of various sizes.	The committee appreciates the information provided.
		General Comments GV-730, Item 4: Propose removing “for one year” when an order on request for renewal is	In light this of this comment, “for one year” has been removed from item 4 in the recommended form.

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			<p>granted as follows: “GRANTED. The attached order is renewed for one year and will now expire: ...”</p> <p>Penal Code section 18190(f)(1) provides that a renewal of a GVRO shall have a duration of between one to five years.</p> <p>No additional Comments.</p>	
5.	Trial Court Presiding Judges Advisory Committee (TCPJAC) and the Court Executives Advisory Committee (CEAC) (TCPJAC/CEAC Joint Rules Subcommittee)	AM	<p>The JRS notes the following impact to court operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact on existing automated systems. Results in additional training, which requires the commitment of staff time and court resources. <p>The JRS also notes that the proposal is required to conform to a change of law.</p> <p>Suggested Modifications Recommend on forms GV-115 and GV-715 that a check box with language for the restrained party who is requesting to continue a hearing for a GVRO or to renew a GVRO to indicate that they have complied with the applicable EPO, TGVRO or GVRO by turning in all firearms, firearm parts, ammunition and magazines to law enforcement or sold or stored them with a</p>	In light of this comment, the committee has revised recommended forms GV-115 and GV-715 accordingly.

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		<p>licensed gun dealer and has provided proof to the court. While the court will need to confirm the veracity of the representation, the presence of this check box may alert the court to a deficiency and serve to remind the restrained party of their obligations with regard to firearms.</p> <p>Response to Request for Specific Comments:</p> <p>1. Yes, the proposal appropriately addresses the stated purpose.</p> <p>Response to Request for Courts' Comments:</p> <p>1. No, the proposal will not provide cost savings.</p> <p>2. Implementation will require training of judicial officers and staff, anticipate minimal impact.</p> <p>3. Changes in case management systems may be necessary for system generated forms.</p> <p>4. 3 months should be sufficient time to implement.</p> <p>5. Do not anticipate that court size will impact how well the proposal will work.</p>	<p>The committee appreciates the information provided.</p> <p>The committee appreciates the information provided.</p>

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