How to File a Response to a Request

(to Set or Change Custody, Visitation, Support and/or Other Orders)

Step 1	Complete the following forms in blue or black ink:
	☑ FL-320 Responsive Declaration to Request for Order
	FL-150 Income and Expense Declaration, if child support or spousal support is at issue
	▼ FL-311 Child Custody and Visitation Application Attachment
	☐ MC-025 Attachment to Judicial Council Form
Step 2	Copies: Make □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 copies, in addition to the original.
Step 3	File: File the original and copies in the Clerk's Office of the courthouse located at: 201 North First Street, San Jose, CA 95113 The Clerk's Office opens at 8:30am Monday-Friday, closing times are subject to change, visit www.scscourt.org or call 408-534-5600 for current office hours.
There is no filing fee.	If the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) is involved in your case, ask the court clerk to keep 1 filed copy to give to DCSS for you.
	There is no filing fee for these forms however you may be required to pay a fee if you are filing other forms at the same time or if you owe money for forms you already filed. You can check with the clerk when you file.
Step 4	Service: After the filed copies are returned to you:
	Keep for your records—1 filed copy
	Serve 1 filed copy by mail on the other party. "Service by mail" means: someone, NOT you, who is at least 18 years old must mail the filed copies to the other party. Service must be completed at least:
	9 court days before the court hearing (weekends and holidays do not count)
	 2 calendar days before the court hearing (if the judge granted a request for emergency orders)
	Whoever does the service must complete the attached <i>Proof of Service by Mail form</i> (FL-335) and give it back to you. You must file the original and a copy of this form at the Clerk's Office, the clerk will file stamp the copy and give it back to you. Keep this copy for your records.
STEP 5	Go to your court date.

Please turn over for important information



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WHAT IS A "REQUEST FOR ORDER"?

A *Request for Order* is a request for the court to have a hearing so the Judge can make a court order. If a party wants the Judge to make a new order about custody and visitation, support or other orders in an existing case, or if they want to change an order that already exists, they would file a *Request for Order*. The person who files the request is called the "moving party". The other party is called the "responding party".

WHY SHOULD I FILE A RESPONSE?

You should complete and file a *Responsive Declaration to Request for Order* to let the Judge know whether you agree or disagree with the other party's request. You also get to tell the Judge what you think the order should be. However, you cannot raise any new issues in your responsive papers. For example, if the moving party only asked for custody and visitation orders, you cannot bring up the issue of child support in your response. Instead, you would need to file your own *Request for Order*. In addition to filing a response, it is important to go to the court date. If you do not, the Judge may grant the moving party's request without your input. Please look at the first page of the *Request for Order* for the court date, time and location.

HOW CAN I GET HELP?

Here are some ways to get help:

- Go to http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Public, then click on "Lawyer Referral services" to hire or consult with a private attorney.
- For free legal advice and information, see our "Do-It-Yourself Resources" flyer. Go to www.scscourt.org, click on "Self-Help" then "Self-Help Flyers".
- The Self Help Center/Family Law Facilitator See our information flyer:
 - Contact us: Go to www.scscourt.org then click "Contact the Self Help Center". Walk-in assistance is limited to emergencies so contact us remotely first.
 - Obtain Forms: Go to www.scscourt.org then click "Complete Forms at Home"
 - o Form Review: Email your forms as a PDF file to SHCDocReview@scscourt.org.
 - o Note: We **cannot** help people who have attorneys.

Superior Court, County of Santa Clara **Self Help Center/Family Law Facilitator's Office**201 N. First Street, San Jose, CA 95113
408-882-2926

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RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ORDERS

THESE ARE THE DOCUMENTS YOU HAVE TO COMPLETE, COPY, FILE AND SERVE.

PAI	RTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY OR ATTORNEY	STATE BAR NUI	MBER:	FOR COURT USE ONLY
NAI	ME:			
FIR	M NAME:			
STF	REET ADDRESS:			
CIT		STATE:	ZIP CODE:	
TEL	EPHONE NO.:	FAX NO.:		
EM.	AIL ADDRESS:			
АТ	FORNEY FOR (name): Self-Represented			
S1	PERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF REET ADDRESS: AND ING ADDRESS: Y AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME: PROBLEM TO COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF CALIFORNIA, C	Santa Cla	ara	
	PETITIONER:			
	RESPONDENT:			
0	THER PARENT/PARTY:			
		LTO DEOLIE	et for order	CASE NUMBER:
	RESPONSIVE DECLARATION	I TO REQUE		CASE NOMBER.
	HEARING DATE: TIME:		DEPARTMENT OR ROOM:	
	Read Information Sheet: Responsive Decla	ration to Reque	st for Order (form <u>FL-320-IN</u>	NFO) for more information about this form.
1.	RESTRAINING ORDER INFORMATION	ON		
	a. No domestic violence restraining/p	rotective orders	s are now in effect between	the parties in this case.
				now in effect between the parties in this case.
2.	CHILD CUSTODY VISITATION (PARENTING TIME) a. I consent to the order requested fo b. I consent to the order requested fo c. I do not consent to the order reque but I consent to the following	r visitation (pare sted for		v). Visitation (parenting time)
3.	CHILD SUPPORT a. I have completed and filed a current <i>Inco Statement (Simplified)</i> (form FL-155) to s b. I consent to the order requested. c. I consent to guideline support. d. I do not consent to the order reques	upport my resp		
4.	SPOUSAL OR DOMESTIC PARTNER a. I have completed and filed a current <i>Incom</i> b. I consent to the order requested. c. I do not consent to the order requested.	me and Expens	se <i>Declaration</i> (form <u>FL-150</u> I consent to the following o	

FL-320

PETITIONER:	CASE NUMBER:
RESPONDENT:	
OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	
5. PROPERTY CONTROL	
a. I consent to the order requested.	
b. I do not consent to the order requested but I conser	nt to the following order:
6. ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS	
a. I have completed and filed a current Income and Expense Declar	
b. I have completed and filed with this form a Supporting Declaration	n for Attorney's Fees and Costs Attachment (form <u>FL-158</u>) or a
declaration that addresses the factors covered in that form. c. I consent to the order requested.	
	onsent to the following order:
	one on the remember of the rem
7. OTHER ORDERS REQUESTED	
a. I consent to the order requested.	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	onsent to the following order:
	one on the remaining of
8. TIME FOR SERVICE / TIME UNTIL HEARING	
a. I consent to the order requested.	
b. I do not consent to the order requested but I co	onsent to the following order:
9. FACTS TO SUPPORT my responsive declaration are listed be	
longer than 10 pages, unless the court gives me permission.	Attachment 10.
I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California	a that the information provided in this form and all attachments
is true and correct.	
Date:	
	P
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)	(SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT)

PETITIONER:		CASE NUMBER:	
RESPONDENT: OTHER PARENT/PARTY:			
CHILD CUSTODY AND	VISITATION (PARENTIN	IG TIME) APPLICATION AT	TACHMENT
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TO Petition Response	Request for Orde		ration to Request for Order
TO Petition Response Other (specify):	Request for Orde	Responsive Decia	ration to Request for Order
1. a. Custody. Custody of the mino	r children of the parties is re	equested as follows:	Attachment 1a.
			Physical Custody to
Child's Name		Legal Custody to on who decides about the child ealth, education, and welfare)	(marrage tha abild
b. Custody with allegations of	a history of abuse or subs	etaneo abuso	
b. Custody with allegations of (1) Petitioner	•		leged to have
	st any of the following perso	ns: a child, the other parent, the	<u> </u>
(2) Petitioner	Respondent Other	parent/party is (or are) all	leged to have
the habitual or continual	· —	stances, or the habitual or cont	nual abuse of alcohol, or the
(3) I ask that the court history of abuse or		tody of the minor child to the pe	rson(s) alleged to have a
(Write the reasons	why you think it would be g	ne court make the child custody ood for the children that the pern of a history of abuse or substance. Other (specify):	rson(s) be granted custody,
2. Visitation (Parenting Time).			
Note: Unless specifically ordered, a ch	•		· •
a Reasonable right of parer involving domestic viole		party without physical custody (not appropriate in cases
	-page document dated (sp	ecify date):	
c. The parties will go to child location):	Family Court Services www.scscourt.org	custody recommending counse	eling at (specify date, time, and
	201 N. First Street San Jose, CA 95113		
d. No visitation (parenting tir	me).		

	THONER: ONDENT: T/PARTY:	CASE NUMBER:
e	from at a.m p.m./ if ap to at a.m p.m./ if ap (day of week) (time) (a) The parties will alternate the fifth weekends, with other parent/party having the initial fifth w	Saturday.) end of the month plicable, specify: start of school after school plicable, specify: start of school after school after school after school after school after school of the petitioner respondent reekend, which starts (date): other parent/party will have the fifth
	(day of week) (time)	if applicable, specify: start of school after school start of school after school after school after school
	(3) Weekdays starting (date):	
3. Visitatio a.	n (parenting time) with allegations of a history of abuse, substance Supervised visitation (parenting time)	arent/party have supervised visitation se of (specify): of controlled substances, or the habitual
	(2) The reasons why the court should make the orders are (specify): (Write the reasons why you think unsupervised visitation (parentin Below in Attachment 3a(2) Other (specify):	g time) would be bad for the children.)

PETITIONER:	CASE NUMBER:
RESPONDENT:	
OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	
(3) I ask for the following orders about the supervised visitation provid	er:
(a) Visitation (parenting time) be monitored by (name, if known):	
(i) The person or agency is a professional provider. A prequirements listed in <i>Declaration of Supervised Vis</i> (form FL-324(P)) and sign the declaration.	
(ii) The person is a nonprofessional provider. That person beclaration of Supervised Visitation Provider (Nonpring a declaration.	
(iii) The provider's phone number is (specify):	
(b) Any costs of supervision be paid as follows: petitioner: other parent/party: percent.	percent; respondent: percent.
 b. Unsupervised visitation (parenting time) (Complete 3b only if you want the court to order unsupervised visitation abuse or substance abuse.) (1) Petitioner Respondent Other parent/party a history of abuse against any of the following persons: a child, the 	is (or are) alleged to have
the person they live with or are dating or engaged to. (2) Petitioner Respondent Other parent/party habitual or continual illegal use of controlled substances, or the habitual or continual abuse of prescribed controlled substances.	is (or are) alleged to have the bitual or continual abuse of alcohol, or the
(3) Even though there are allegations of a history of abuse or substan	Respondent Other parent/party that the person(s) be granted unsupervised
 (5) The orders for visitation (parenting time) that you request must be of transfer of the child, as Family Code section 6323(c) requires. 4. Transportation for visitation (parenting time) and place of exchange Note: In cases of domestic violence, the court must have enough information to place, and manner of transfer (exchange) of the child for custody and visit 	make orders that are specific as to the time,
 a. The children must be driven only by a licensed and insured driver. The vehicl Department of Motor Vehicles and must have child restraint devices properly 	e must be legally registered with the
b Transportation to begin the visits will be provided by (name):	· · · ·
c. Transportation from the visits will be provided by <i>(name)</i> :	
d. The exchange point at the beginning of the visit will be (address):	
e. The exchange point at the end of the visit will be (address):	
f. During the exchanges, the party driving the children will wait in the car (or exchange location) while the children go between the car and the h	
g. Other (specify):	ome (or exemange location).

OTHE	PETITIONER: RESPONDENT: R PARENT/PARTY:	CASE NUMBER:
5.	Travel with children The Petitioner Respondent Other must have written permission from the other parent or party, or a court order, to a. the state of California. b. the following counties (specify): c. other places (specify):	er parent/party take the children out of the following places:
6.	Child abduction prevention. There is a risk that one of the parties will take the party's permission. I request the orders set out on attached form FL-312 .	children out of California without the other
7.	Children's holiday schedule. I request the holiday and vacation schedule set o	ut below on form FL-341(C)
8.	Additional custody provisions. I request the additional orders for custody set of	out below on form FL-341(D)
9.	Joint legal custody provisions. I request joint legal custody and want the addit on form FL-341(E)	ional orders set out below
10	Other. I request the following additional orders (specify):	

SHORT TITLE: CASE NUMBER:		
	ATTACHMENT (Number): (This Attachment may be used with any Judicial Council form.)	Page of (Add pages as required)
(If the item that this Att penalty of perjury.)	tachment concerns is made under penalty of perjury, all statements in this Atta	achment are made under Page 1 ol



ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address):	FOR COURT USE ONLY
TELEPHONE NO.:	
E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional):	
ATTORNEY FOR (Name):	
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF Santa Clara	
STREET ADDRESS: 201 North First Street	
MAILING ADDRESS: 191 North First Street	
CITY AND ZIP CODE: San Jose, CA 95113	
BRANCH NAME: Family	
PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF:	
RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT:	
OTHER PARENT/CLAIMANT:	
INCOME AND EXPENSE DECLARATION	CASE NUMBER:
1. Employment (Give information on your current job or, if you're unemployed, your most re	cent job.)
Attach copies a. Employer:	
of your pay b. Employer's address:	
stubs for last c. Employer's phone number:	
two months d. Occupation:	
(black out e. Date job started:	
social f. If unemployed, date job ended:	
security g. I work about hours per week.	
numbers). h. I get paid \$ gross (before taxes) $lacksquare$ per	month per week per hour.
If you have more than one job, attach an 8 1/2-by-11-inch sheet of paper and list the sam obs. Write "Question 1 - Other Jobs" at the top.)	e information as above for your other
2. Age and education	
a. My age is (specify):	
b. I have completed high school or the equivalent: Yes No If no, highest grad	le completed (specify):
c. Number of years of college completed (specify): Degree(s) obtain	
	s) obtained (specify):
e. I have: professional/occupational license(s) (specify):	
vocational training (specify):	
3. Tax information	
a. I last filed taxes for tax year (specify year):	
b. My tax filing status is single head of household married, filing	separately
married, filing jointly with (specify name):	
 c. I file state tax returns in California other (specify state): d. I claim the following number of exemptions (including myself) on my taxes (specify): 	
d. I claim the following number of exemptions (including myself) on my taxes (<i>specify</i>).	
4. Other party's income. I estimate the gross monthly income (before taxes) of the other party.	ty in this case at (specify): \$
This estimate is based on (explain):	
(If you need more space to answer any questions on this form, attach an 8 1/2-by-11-inch question number before your answer.) Number of pages attached:	sheet of paper and write the
Trumbor or pages attached.	
declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information of	ontained on all pages of this form and
any attachments is true and correct.	
Date:	
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(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)	SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT)
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	PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF:	CASE NUMBER:	
	SPONDENT/DEFENDANT:		
OTH	IER PARENT/CLAIMANT:		
	h copies of your pay stubs for the last two months and proof of any other incom turn to the court hearing. <i>(Black out your social security number on the pay st</i>		deral
	ncome (For average monthly, add up all the income you received in each category in t and divide the total by 12.)	the last 12 months Last month	Average monthly
	. Salary or wages (gross, before taxes)	\$	
	Overtime (gross, before taxes)		
	. Commissions or bonuses		
d		\$	
е	Spousal support from this marriage from a different marriage	\$	
f.	Partner support from this domestic partnership from a different domestic	c partnership \$	
g	Pension/retirement fund payments	\$	
h	. Social security retirement (not SSI)		
i.	Disability: Social security (not SSI) State disability (SDI) Priva	ite insurance. \$	
j.	Unemployment compensation	\$	
k	. Workers' compensation	\$	
I.	Other (military BAQ, royalty payments, etc.) (specify):	\$	
	nvestment income (Attach a schedule showing gross receipts less cash expenses for Dividends/interest		
b	. Rental property income	\$	
С	. Trust income	\$	
d	. Other (specify):	\$	
 	ncome from self-employment, after business expenses for all businesses am the owner/sole proprietor business partner other (specify): Jumber of years in this business (specify): Jame of business (specify): Type of business (specify): Attach a profit and loss statement for the last two years or a Schedule C from you cocial security number. If you have more than one business, provide the information.	ur last federal tax return. Black	out your
. [Additional income. I received one-time money (lottery winnings, inheritance, etc.) amount):	in the last 12 months (specify se	ource and
. [☐ Change in income. My financial situation has changed significantly over the last 1	2 months because (specify):	
	Deductions		st month
	Required union dues		
b			
C			
d	!! ! ?		
e			
f.			
g	. Necessary job-related expenses not reimbursed by my employer (attach explanation	n labeled "Question 10g")\$_	
1. A	Assets	То	
_	. Cash and checking accounts, savings, credit union, money market, and other depos		
b	Stocks, bonds, and other assets I could easily sell	\$	

c. All other property, areal and personal (estimate fair market value minus the debts you owe)

PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF: RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT:	CASE NUMBER:			
OTHER PARENT/CLAIMANT:				
2. The following people live with	n me:			
Name	Age	How the person is related to me? (ex: son)	That person's gross monthly income	Pays some of the household expenses?
a. b. c. d. e.				Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No
3. Average monthly expenses a. Home:	Estimated	h Laundry ar	enses Proposed n	
(1) Rent or morto	gage\$		g	
If mortgage:	•			
(a) average principal:(b) average interest:	\$ \$	•		
	•	k. Entertainm	k. Entertainment, gifts, and vacation	
(2) Real property taxes		i. Auto exper (insurance	nses and transportation , gas, repairs, bus, etc.)	\$
(if not included above)		m. Insurance ((life, accident, etc.; do not oo, home, or health insuran	ce) \$
(4) Maintenance and repair		n. Savings an	nd investments	\$
b. Health-care costs not paid by	y insurance\$	o. Charitable contributions		
Q				Φ
c. Child care \$ d. Groceries and household supplies \$		(itemize be	lyments listed in item 14 Flow in 14 and insert total h	ere) \$
		q. Other (spe	cify) :	\$
e. Eating out			VDENCES (a. s.) (da mat ada	dim C
f. Utilities (gas, electric, water, trash)		r. TOTAL EXPENSES (a-q) (do not add in the amounts in a(1)(a) and (b))		1 III \$
g. Telephone, cell phone, and e	e-mail\$	s. Amount of	f expenses paid by other	s \$
4. Installment payments and de	bts not listed above			
Paid to	For	Amount	Balance	Date of last payment
		\$ \$	\$	
			\$ \$	
		\$ \$	\$	
		\$	\$	
		\$	\$	
 5. Attorney fees (This is required a. To date, I have paid my atto b. The source of this money w. c. I still owe the following fees d. My attorney's hourly rate is 	orney this amount for yas (specify): and costs to my attor	fees and costs (specify):\$		
confirm this fee arrangement.				
Pate:				
		k		
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME (DE ATTORNEY)	/	(SIGNATURE OF ATTOR	NEV)

PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF:	CACE NUMBER	FL-150
RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT:	CASE NUMBER:	
OTHER PARENT/CLAIMANT:		
CHILD SUPPORT INFOR	MATION	
(NOTE: Fill out this page only if your case		
16. Number of children		
a. I have (specify number): children under the age of 18 with the of		
·	percent of their time with the o	•
(If you're not sure about percentage or it has not been agreed on, please	describe your parenting sche	dule here.)
17. Children's health-care expenses		
 a. I do I do not have health insurance available to me for th b. Name of insurance company: 	e children through my job.	
c. Address of insurance company:		
d. The monthly cost for the children's health insurance is or would be (spe (Do not include the amount your employer pays.)	cify): \$	
18. Additional expenses for the children in this case	Amount per month	
a. Child care so I can work or get job training		
b. Children's health care not covered by insurance		
c. Travel expenses for visitation d. Children's educational or other special needs (specify below):		
u. Offiliarer s educational of other special freeds (specify below).	Ψ	
19. Special hardships. I ask the court to consider the following special financial	circumstances	
(attach documentation of any item listed here, including court orders) :	Amount per month	For how many months?
a. Extraordinary health expenses not included in 18b		— — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
b. Major losses not covered by insurance (examples: fire, theft, other		
insured loss)	\$	
c. (1) Expenses for my minor children who are from other relationships and		
are living with me	\$	

The expenses listed in a, b and c create an extreme financial hardship because $\ (explain)$:

(3) Child support I receive for those children

(2) Names and ages of those children (specify):

20. Other information I want the court to know concerning support in my case (specify):

PROOF OF SERVICE

RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ORDERS

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SERVER (SEE INSTRUCTIONS FOR DETAILS)

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ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address):	FOR COURT USE ONLY
TELEPHONE NO.: FAX NO. (Optional):	
E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional):	
ATTORNEY FOR (Name): Self-Represented	
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF Santa Clara STREET ADDRESS: 201 North First Street	
MAILING ADDRESS: 191 North First Street	
CITY AND ZIP CODE: San Jose, CA 95113	
BRANCH NAME: Family Justice Center Courthouse	
PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF:	CASE NUMBER:
RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT:	(If applicable, provide):
OTHER PARENT/PARTY:	HEARING DATE:
DDOOF OF CEDVICE BY MAIL	HEARING TIME:
PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL	DEPT.:
NOTICE: To serve temporary restraining orders you must use personal service (see	form FL-330).
 I am at least 18 years of age, not a party to this action, and I am a resident of or employ place. 	ved in the county where the mailing took
My residence or business address is:	
3. I served a copy of the following documents (specify):	
Filed copy of: Responsive Declaration to Request for Order	
☐ FL-150 Income and Expense Declaration	
by enclosing them in an envelope AND	
a. A depositing the sealed envelope with the United States Postal Service with the	
 placing the envelope for collection and mailing on the date and at the place sh business practices. I am readily familiar with this business's practice for collect 	•
mailing. On the same day that correspondence is placed for collection and ma business with the United States Postal Service in a sealed envelope with postal	
4. The envelope was addressed and mailed as follows:	
a. Name of person served:b. Address:	
b. Address.	
c. Date mailed:	
d. Place of mailing (city and state):	
5. I served a request to modify a child custody, visitation, or child support judgment address verification declaration. (Declaration Regarding Address Verification—Per Custody, Visitation, or Child Support Order (form FL-334) may be used for this per custody.	ostjudgment Request to Modify a Child
6. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foreg	oing is true and correct.
Date:	
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME) (SIGNAT	TURE OF PERSON COMPLETING THIS FORM)