

Template supporting statement

Application for a non-molestation or occupation order (FL401)

Please read the guidance on the first page of this template carefully.

Do not print or include this first page when submitting your statement and application.

This template is designed to help you provide all the information that is needed from a supporting statement by the court. You must submit a statement but you do not need to use this template if you would prefer to write your own. However, you may still find the guidance helpful.

You should complete your statement, along with an 'FL401' application form and take or send both to the court you are applying to by post or email.

- 1 The template consists of statements that you need to complete either by providing the necessary information or by ticking the appropriate box.
2. If you are not applying for an occupation order, you should not tick the box when asked in the introduction and leave the occupation order section blank.

3. The last page in this document is a template coversheet for any exhibits you submit. An exhibit is another document that you would like the court to see as part of your evidence. This could be:
- medical reports
 - social services reports or letters
 - print outs of text messages
 - emails

If you do not want your contact details to be shared with the respondent, do not include your address or any other contact details in any exhibits.

Only include a coversheet if submitting an exhibit – one coversheet for each exhibit.

You'll find more guidance in on the right-hand side of each page as you complete this statement. Visit www.advicenow.org.uk/statement-injunction for further help and advice.

Supporting statement coversheet

To be completed by the court

Court name

Date issued

Day Month Year

Case number

Statement of the applicant

Statement number

Exhibits

Statement of the applicant:

Put the initials of your first name(s) and your surname, for example A B Smith.

Statement number: If only making one statement you

Dated

Day Month Year

Name of applicant

Name of respondent

FIRST STATEMENT OF THE APPLICANT

should write '1' here. If making more than one statement put the appropriate number.

Exhibits:

Number of exhibits you are attaching. See point 3 on guidance page.

Dated: Put the date you are completing the statement.

Applicant: Write your full name.

Respondent: The respondent is the person you are asking for the order to be against. Write their full name.

1. Introduction

1.1 My full name is

First name(s)

Middle name(s)

Last name

1.2 My full address is Building and street

Second line of address

Town or city

Note 1.2: If you have asked the court to keep your contact details confidential by completing form C8 please write 'My address is confidential'.

County (optional)

Postcode

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1.3 I make this statement in support of my application for a non-molestation order against my

Note 1.3: Enter the respondent's relationship to you, for example, husband.

whose full name is

First name(s)

Middle name(s)

Last name

1.4

I am also applying for an occupation order

I am not applying for an occupation order. **Go to question 1.6**

1.5 The occupation order should be subject to the following address

Building and street

Note 1.5: Do not check this box if you are not applying for an occupation order.

Second line of address

Town or city

County (optional)

Postcode

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I have provided further information about the address in the enclosed FL401 form. This includes who lives at the address and details about the ownership and/or tenancy arrangements.

1.6 If you are asking for a without notice order, please describe in your own words why you feel this is needed.

Note 1.6: See question 1.3 in the FL401 application form for guidance.

2. History of your relationship

2.1 The respondent and I have known each other since

Day Month Year

2.2 We

became a couple on or around the following date

Day Month Year

not applicable

2.3 The respondent's behaviour has

changed since our relationship started
always been abusive. **Got to question 2.5**

Note 2: When asked for dates in this section, please try to be specific – but even rough dates can help, such as month and year.

Note 2.5: You should tick as many of these behaviours as you think are appropriate. Economic or financial abuse could include preventing you from working or blocking access to a bank account. Coercive control is behaviour

2.4 I first noticed the respondent's behaviour change on or around

Day Month Year

2.5 Examples of their abusive behaviour have included

Physical abuse

Sexual abuse

Verbal or emotional abuse

Threats

Intimidation

Harassment

Economic or financial abuse

Coercive control

Online abuse

There may be other types of abuse you would like to include. You can provide more detail and examples in the next sections.

that can be humiliating, isolating or controlling and leave you feeling like you have no freedom or sense of self.

Online abuse could be: sending you threatening messages by text or email; controlling access to your phone, email or going online; intercepting your emails or text messages.

For examples of different forms of domestic abuse, go to [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk) and search for 'domestic abuse: recognise the signs'.

The next 3 sections ask you to provide information about specific incidents that have happened.

If there have not been specific incidents but there has been a pattern of abuse, go directly to section 6 'Patterns of abuse or other incidents'.

3. Most recent incident

3.1 The most recent incident happened/started on
Day Month Year

Note 3: Please try to provide the exact date when asked in this section if you can.

3.2 This incident of abusive behaviour
has ended
has not ended. **Go to question 3.4**

3.3 The incident ended on
Day Month Year

3.4 Details about the most recent incident

Note 3.4:

Provide as much information as possible about the behaviour from the respondent.

3.5 The impact of this incident on my health, safety or wellbeing

Note 3.5: Please describe how this has affected you, and any children, in as much detail as possible.

3.6 Witnesses and people that I've told about the incident

Note 3.6: Tell us about anyone you told about the incident or anyone who witnessed the incident. This could include a personal contact such as a family member, a friend or a colleague. Or it could be a professional person such as the police or a doctor.

Include with your application and statement copies of any relevant evidence about this incident, such as police report, medical report, photos. **Do not include any information that you do not want the respondent to see.**

4. First incident

4.1 The first incident happened/
started on

Day Month Year

4.2 The incident ended on

Day Month Year

4.3 Details about the first incident

Note 4: If the most recent incident is not the first time the abuse has happened, please provide information about the first incident you can remember.

Please try to provide the exact date when asked in this section if you can. But even rough dates can help, such as month and year.

Note 4.3:
Provide as much information as possible about the behaviour from the respondent.

4.4 The impact of this incident on my health, safety or wellbeing

Note 4.4: Please describe how this has affected you, and any children, in as much detail as possible.

4.5 Witnesses and people that I've told about the incident

Note 4.5: Tell us about anyone you told about the incident or anyone who witnessed the incident. This could include a personal contact such as a family member, a friend or a colleague. Or it could be a professional person such as the police or a doctor.

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5. Worst incident

5.1 The worst incident of abuse was

the most recent incident.

Go to Section 6.

the first incident. **Go to Section 6.**

another incident

5.2 The worst incident happened/ started on

Day Month Year

5.3 The incident ended on

Day Month Year

Note 5: Please provide details of the incident that impacted you and/or your family the most.

Please try to provide the exact date when asked in this section if you can. But even rough dates can help, such as month and year.

Only complete points 5.2 to 5.6 if you selected 'another incident' in point 5.1.

5.4 Details about the **worst incident**

Note 5.4:

Provide as much information as possible about the behaviour from the respondent.

5.5 The impact of this incident on my health, safety or wellbeing

Note 5.5: Please describe how this has affected you, and any children, in as much detail as possible.

5.6 Witnesses and people that I've told about the incident

Note 5.6: Tell us about anyone you told about the incident or anyone who witnessed the incident. This could include a personal contact such as a family member, a friend or a colleague. Or it could be a professional person such as the police or a doctor.

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6. Patterns of abuse or other incidents

6.1 Other abusive behaviour
I would like the court to consider

Note 6.1: Please try to provide the same information asked for in the previous sections.

You can use this section to describe any pattern of behaviours of the respondent that cannot be pinned down to one incident. This could include ongoing controlling behaviours.

Please use additional sheets of paper if required.

6.2 The impact of these behaviours on my health, safety or wellbeing

6.3 Witnesses and people that I've told about these behaviours

7. Occupation order

7.1 The respondent and I have the following responsibility for the relevant home – tick only **one** box

we have joint responsibility for a mortgage

we have joint responsibility for a tenancy (rental) agreement

I have sole responsibility for a mortgage

the respondent has sole responsibility for a mortgage

I have sole responsibility for a tenancy agreement

the respondent has sole responsibility for a tenancy agreement

neither of us has mortgage or tenancy responsibility

Note 7: Only complete this section if you are applying for an occupation order. If not, go to section 8. Summary.

7.2 I have the following housing needs

Note 7.2:

Describe what you need from your housing, including:

- information about travelling to and from work
- the needs of any children you are responsible for, such as number of bedrooms and proximity to their school
- financial factors – for example, if you have a low income, cannot afford to move or you have a favourable rental agreement with your landlord

7.3 The respondent has the following housing needs

Note 7.3:

Describe as best as possible what the respondent's housing needs are, including:

- information about travelling to and from work
- any other places the respondent could stay that you are aware of, such as a family member
- if you believe they are able afford to rent elsewhere and why, such as they have a high paid job
- housing needs of any children for which they are responsible

7.4 I am worried about the following if the order is not made

Note 7.4:
Describe what you think the likely impact of a decision not to make an order would be on you, the other person and any children.

7.5 I request that the court makes an order that the respondent shall not

live at the named address

enter or attempt to enter the address

go within a certain distance of the address

other

Note 7.5: Tick all that you want to apply for.

There are other things you can apply for in an occupation order. You should seek advice from a support organisation.

Visit www.gov.uk/report-domestic-abuse for a list of organisations that can provide help and advice

7.6 I also request (tick only one box)

all parts of the occupation order include a power of arrest

the following parts of the occupation order include a power of arrest:

Note 7.6: Only complete this point if you want the respondent to be arrested by the police if they do not follow all or specific parts of the order.

8. Summary

8.1 My closing summary is as follows

Note 8.1:
This should summarise your reasons for applying and include any information not already covered that you would like the court to consider.

Statement of truth

I understand that proceedings for contempt of court may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief in its truth.

I believe that the facts stated in this form and any continuation sheets are true.

Signature

Applicant

Date

Day Month Year

Full name

You can sign the application by hand or type your name in if completing electronically.

This application is to be served on the respondent.

You must not serve the documents yourself on the person you are seeking the order against. See the first page of this form for more information and instructions about serving the documents.

Where to send your completed statement

Send your completed statement with the FL401 form. See guidance in the form for how to send your application.

Exhibit coversheet

One coversheet for each exhibit.

Statement number

Exhibits

Dated

Day Month Year

Case number (to be
completed by the court)

Name of court

Name of applicant

Name of respondent

Exhibit