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**Civil Division**  
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# **Gun Violence Prevention Restraining Order**

This packet includes the necessary forms to request a Gun Violence Prevention Order.

**All documents must be typed or printed legibly per Rules of Court 2.104. One (1) original plus two (2) copies are required for filing.**

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- Stanislaus County Superior Court  
<http://www.stanislaus.courts.ca.gov/common-forms-packets>
- Judicial Council's Self-Help website  
<http://www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp.htm>
- Judicial Council Forms  
<http://www.courts.ca.gov/forms.htm>

For more information on Libraries, Websites, or Self-Help Legal Books

- <https://www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp-lowcosthelp.htm>  
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**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. The restrained person also may not own, possess, or buy body armor. If they have body armor, they must relinquish it.

For more information about prohibited items, please see [selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/restraining-orders/prohibited-items](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 [selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/types-restraining-orders](http://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/types-restraining-orders).

### **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 [courts.ca.gov/forms](http://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 of causing personal injury to themselves or another person by having in their 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.

You will need to give the judge specific information. You should tell the judge everything that you know about the firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, body armor, 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 body armor. 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.



**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: [courts.ca.gov/find-my-court](http://courts.ca.gov/find-my-court).

**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 [selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/request-interpreter](http://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.**

See [selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/GV-restraining-order](http://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/GV-restraining-order).

**For help in your area, contact:**

[Local information may be inserted.]

# CLETS-001 Confidential Information for Law Enforcement

## Instructions:

- If you are asking for a restraining order, you must complete this form and give it to the court clerk, along with the other court forms required in your case. For juvenile orders, list the primary protected person's information in ② and ③.
- If the judge grants the restraining order, information you give on this form will be entered into a California database (called CLETS) to help law enforcement enforce the order.
- If information changes later, you may complete this form again and turn it in to the court.

**To Court Clerk: Do not file this form. The information on this form must be entered into the protective order registry in CLETS.**

*Court fills in case number when form is received.*

**Case Number:**

Date received by court: \_\_\_\_\_

Information that has a star (\*) next to it is required. All other information is helpful.

## ① Person You Want a Restraining Order Against

\*Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Other names used: \_\_\_\_\_

Marks, scars, or tattoos: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's license (number and state): \_\_\_\_\_ SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle type: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Plate number: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of employer and address: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the person speak English?

Yes

No (list language): \_\_\_\_\_

I don't know

Does the person have any firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or body armor?

No

I don't know

Yes (Give any information you have below, like the type, amount, or location of any items, if known.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

2 \*Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Skip 3 and 4 if you are asking for a gun violence (form GV-100) or retail crime (form RT-100) restraining order.)

3 Your Information

\*Gender:  M  F  X (nonbinary) Race: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (month, day, year): \_\_\_\_\_

*(If the judge grants your restraining order, your information will be entered into California's law enforcement database. If you give your date of birth, it will also be entered into the federal law enforcement database. If your information is not in the federal law enforcement database, your restraining order may be more difficult to enforce outside of California.)*

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you speak English?

Yes

No (list language): \_\_\_\_\_

4 Other People You Want Protected

\*Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Race: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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Check here if you have more people to list. Write them on a separate piece of paper, write "Item 4" at the top, and attach it to this form.

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Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

Fill in court name and street address:

**Superior Court of California, County of STANISLAUS**  
801 10TH STREET, 4TH FLOOR  
MODESTO, CA 95354

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

**Case Number:**

**2 Respondent**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (*if known*): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**This is not a Court Order.**



Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**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 the 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 the 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 the 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.**





**9 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.*

**10 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.

**11  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 11.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**12  Request to Give Less Than Five Days' Notice of Hearing**

*You must have your papers personally served on the 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 12.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**13** 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.**

# GV-110

## Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

Petitioner must complete 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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: <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.**





Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**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 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 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  Restrained Person Has Prohibited Items**

The court finds that you have the following prohibited items:

a. **Firearms, firearm parts, and/or magazines**

Description (include serial number, if known)	Location, if known	Proof of compliance received by the court
(1) _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> (date): _____
(2) _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> (date): _____
(3) _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> (date): _____
(4) _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> (date): _____

b. **Ammunition**

Description	Amount, if known	Location, if known	Proof of compliance received by the court
(1) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> (date): _____
(2) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> (date): _____
(3) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> (date): _____
(4) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> (date): _____

Check here to list additional items. List them on a separate piece of paper, write "GV-110, Restrained Person Has Prohibited Items" at the top, and attach it to this form.

**This is a Court Order.**



Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**8**  **Court Hearing to Review Firearms (Guns), Firearm Parts, Ammunition, and Magazine Compliance**

In addition to the hearing listed on form GV-109, you must attend the court hearing listed below to prove that you have properly turned in, sold, or stored all prohibited items (described in **6**) you still have or own, including any items listed in **7**. If you do not attend the court hearing listed below, a judge may find that you have violated the restraining order and notify law enforcement and a prosecuting attorney of the violation.



Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Dept.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Room: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of court, if different than court address listed on page 1:

**9** **No Body Armor**

You cannot own, possess, or buy body armor (defined in Penal Code section 16288). You must relinquish any body armor you have in your possession.

**10** 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.

**This is a Court Order.**



**Warnings and Notices to the Respondent***(Continued)*

**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 ⑥ b, 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.**

**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 [courts.ca.gov/rules-forms/find-your-court-forms](http://courts.ca.gov/rules-forms/find-your-court-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 ⑥ b, 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.

**This is a Court Order.**

Case Number:

## Instructions for Law Enforcement

(Continued)

### 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 (6) b, 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.
- 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

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

*Petitioner must complete items ① and ② only.***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.

Fill in court name and street address:

**Superior Court of California, County of STANISLAUS**  
 801 10TH STREET, 4TH FLOOR  
 MODESTO, CA 95354

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

**Case Number:** \_\_\_\_\_**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](http://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 the 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)

Four horizontal lines for providing additional information.

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 an order is granted, you will also be prohibited from owning, possessing, or buying body armor and will have to relinquish any body armor you have.
- 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](http://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*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*[seal]*

Clerk, by \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy

**What is “service”?**

Service is the act of giving your legal papers to the other party. There are many kinds of service—in person, by mail, and others. This form is about personal or “in-person” service. The *Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (Form GV-100), the *Notice of Court Hearing* (Form GV-109), and the *Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order* (Form GV-110) must be served “in person.” That means that someone must personally “serve” (give) a copy of the forms to the respondent (the person to be prohibited from having guns).

**These forms cannot be served by mail; they must be given to the respondent personally.**

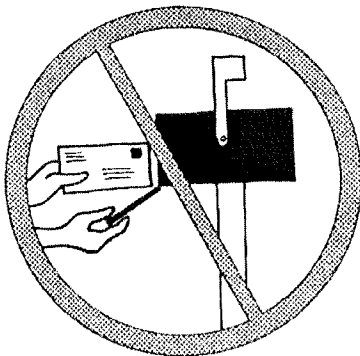
Service lets the respondent know:

- Why you are asking for a Gun Violence Restraining Order;
- The hearing date;
- How to respond.

**Why do I have to get the orders served?**

- The police cannot arrest anyone for violating an order unless that person knows about the order.
- No hearing can be held to extend the order for a year unless the respondent was served and knows about the hearing.

*Don't serve it by mail!*

**Who can serve?**

Any law enforcement officer may serve the respondent, even if the petition was filed by a law enforcement officer. **It is recommended that you ask a law enforcement officer to serve the forms because of the potential for gun violence. A sheriff or marshal will serve the order at no cost to you.**

However, service may also be by any person who is at least 18 years old and not a party to the action. That means that if the petitioner is a family member rather than a law enforcement officer, that person may not serve the forms on the respondent. You may use a process server. A “registered process server” is a business that you pay to deliver court forms. Look for “Process Serving” in the Yellow Pages or on the Internet.

**How to serve**

Ask the server to:

- Make personal contact with the person to be served.
- Make sure it is the right person. Ask the person’s name.
- Give the person copies of all papers checked on Form GV-200, *Proof of Personal Service*.
- Fill out and sign the *Proof of Personal Service* form.
- Give the signed *Proof of Personal Service* to you.

**What if the person won’t take the papers or tears them up?**

- If the person won’t take the papers, just leave them near him or her.
- It doesn’t matter if the person tears them up. Service is still complete.

## GV-200-INFO What Is "Proof of Personal Service?"

### When do the orders have to be served?

It depends. To know the exact date, you have to look at two things on Form GV-109, *Notice of Court Hearing*:

First, look at the hearing date on page 1 of Form GV-109.

③ Hearing

Hearing Date	→	Date: _____
		Dept.: _____

Next, look at the number of days in item ⑤ on page 2 of Form GV-109.

⑤ Service of Documents on Respondent

At least  five  \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days before the hearing.

Look at a calendar. Subtract the number of days in ⑤ from the hearing date. That is the final date to have the orders served. It is always OK to serve earlier than that date. If nothing is checked or written in ⑤, you must serve the orders at least five days before the hearing.

### Who signs the *Proof of Personal Service*?

Only the person who serves the forms can sign Form GV-200, *Proof of Personal Service*. You do not sign it; the restrained person does not need to sign it.

### What do I do with the completed *Proof of Personal Service*?

If someone other than a law enforcement officer serves the papers, you should:

- Make several copies.
- File the original with the court before your hearing.
- Bring a copy of the completed *Proof of Personal Service* to your hearing.
- Always keep an extra copy of the restraining orders with you for your safety.

### What happens if I can't get the orders served before the hearing date?

You will need to ask the court to "continue" (postpone and reschedule) the hearing until after you are able to have the respondent served. Fill out and file Form GV-115, *Request to Continue Court Hearing for Gun Violence Restraining Order*. If the court grants you a continuance, the *Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order* (Form GV-110) will remain in effect until the new hearing date.

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

**1 Petitioner/Requesting Agency**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

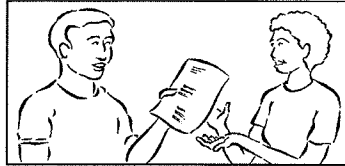
**2 Respondent/Restrained Person**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**3 Notice to Server**

The server must:

- Be 18 years of age or older.
- Not be the Petitioner unless the Petitioner is a law enforcement officer.
- Give a copy of all documents checked in **4** to the Respondent / Restrained Person. (You cannot send them by mail.) Then complete and sign this form and give or mail it to the Petitioner.



Fill in court name and street address:

**Superior Court of California, County of STANISLAUS**  
 801 10TH STREET, 4TH FLOOR  
 MODESTO, CA 95354

Fill in case number:

**Case Number:** \_\_\_\_\_**PROOF OF PERSONAL SERVICE****4** I personally gave the Respondent a copy of the forms checked below:

- a.  GV-030, *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing on EPO-002*
- b.  GV-100, *Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order*
- c.  GV-109, *Notice of Court Hearing*
- d.  GV-110, *Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order*
- e.  GV-116, *Order for Continuance and Notice of New Hearing Date*
- f.  GV-120, *Response to Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order* (blank form)
- g.  GV-120-INFO, *How Can I Respond to a Petition for a Gun Violence Restraining Order?*
- h.  GV-130, *Gun Violence Restraining Order After Hearing*
- i.  GV-600, *Request to Terminate Gun Violence Restraining Order* (blank form)
- j.  GV-800, *Proof of Firearms, Ammunition, and Magazines Turned In, Sold, or Stored* (blank form)
- k.  Other (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_

**5** I personally gave copies of the documents checked above to the Respondent/Restrained Party:

- a. On (*date*): \_\_\_\_\_ b. At (*time*): \_\_\_\_\_  a.m.  p.m.
- c. At this address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**6 Server's Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

*(If you are a registered process server):*

County of registration: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration number: \_\_\_\_\_

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 server's name*      *Server to sign here*

**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. The person also may not own, possess, or buy body armor. If they have body armor, they must relinquish it.

For more information about prohibited items and obeying these orders, please see [selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/restraining-orders/prohibited-items](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](http://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**

*Petitioner must complete items (1) and (2) only.*

**(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: _____	Name and address of court if different from above: _____
	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](http://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.)

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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](http://www.courts.ca.gov/find-my-court.htm).

**Information about the process is also available online.**

See [selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/GV-restraining-order](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 [selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/request-interpreter](http://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.]

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

**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 STANISLAUS**  
801 10TH STREET, 4TH FLOOR  
MODESTO, CA 95354

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):

Multiple horizontal lines for writing an explanation.

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 No Body Armor

If you were served with form GV-110, Temporary Gun Violence Restraining Order, you are prohibited from owning, possessing, or buying body armor. You must also relinquish any body armor you have in your possession.

(Check all that apply):

- a.  I do not own or have any body armor.
b.  I have relinquished all body armor that I have in my possession.
c.  I was granted an exception, or will ask for an exception, to have body armor. Note: This exception is granted by a chief of police or sheriff. See Penal Code section 31360(c). (Attach a copy of the letter granting permission, if you have one.)



Case Number:

8 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*

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

**1 Petitioner**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

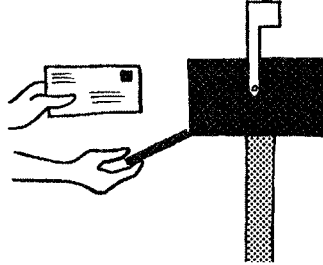
**2 Respondent**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**3 Notice to Server**

The server must:

- Be 18 years of age or older.
- Live or be employed in the county where the mailing took place.
- Not be a party to the case.
- Mail a copy of all documents checked in **4** to the person in **1**.
- Complete and sign this form and give it to the person in **2**.



Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of  
 STANISLAUS  
 801 10TH STREET, 4TH FLOOR  
 MODESTO, CA 95354

Fill in case number:

**Case Number:** \_\_\_\_\_**4 PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL**

I am 18 years of age or older and not a party to this case. I live or am employed in the county where the mailing took place. I mailed the  Petitioner  Respondent a copy of all documents checked below:

- a. Form GV-120, *Response to Petition for Gun Violence Restraining Order*  
 b.  Other (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_

**5** I placed copies of the documents above in a sealed envelope and mailed them as described below:

- a. Mailed to (*name*): \_\_\_\_\_  
 b. To this address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. On (*date*): \_\_\_\_\_ Mailed from City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

**6 Server's Information**


Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

*(If you are a registered process server):*

County of registration: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration number: \_\_\_\_\_

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 server's name
  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Server to sign here

**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 firearms 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.]*

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

Fill in court name and street address:

**Superior Court of California, County of  
STANISLAUS**  
801 10TH STREET, 4TH FLOOR  
MODESTO, CA 95354

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: \_\_\_\_\_



Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**5 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: \_\_\_\_\_

**6  List of Items Surrendered**

Firearms and firearm parts			Serial Number, if there is one	Sold	To be	
Make	Model	Stored			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			Amount	Sold	To be	
Brand	Type	Stored			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:)

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):

I am filing the proof for those firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines along with this proof.

I have not yet filed the proof for the other firearms (guns), firearm parts, ammunition, or magazines. (Explain why not):

Blank lines for explaining 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.