



In the Family Court
sitting at **[Court name]**

Case No: **[Case number]**

[The Matrimonial Causes Act 1973] /
[The Matrimonial and Family Proceedings Act 1984 and Schedule 7 to the Civil Partnership Act 2004] /
[The Civil Partnership Act 2004]
(DELETE AS APPROPRIATE)

The **[Marriage] / [Civil Partnership]** of **[applicant name]** and **[respondent name]**

After hearing **[name the advocates(s) who appeared]**
After consideration of the documents lodged by the parties
After reading the statements of the witnesses specified below

ORDER MADE BY [NAME OF JUDGE] ON [DATE] SITTING IN [OPEN COURT] / [PRIVATE]

WARNING: IF YOU DO NOT COMPLY WITH THIS ORDER, YOU MAY BE HELD TO BE IN CONTEMPT OF COURT AND YOU MAY BE SENT TO PRISON, BE FINED, OR HAVE YOUR ASSETS SEIZED.

The parties

1. The applicant is **[applicant name]**
The **[first]** respondent is **[respondent name]**
[The second respondent is [respondent name]]
[The third [etc] respondent is [respondent name]]
[The intervener is [intervener name]]
(SPECIFY IF ANY PARTY ACTS BY A LITIGATION FRIEND)

Undertaking to the court

2. **[Insert any undertakings accepted by the court (E.G. BY ONE OR OTHER PARTY TO MAKE PAYMENTS FOR PARTICULAR OUTGOINGS SUCH AS THE MONTHLY MORTGAGE PAYMENTS OR SPECIFIC UTILITY BILLS)]**

You may be held to be in contempt of court and imprisoned or fined, or your assets may be seized, if you break the promises that you have given to the court.

If you fail to pay any sum of money which you have promised the court that you will pay, a person entitled to enforce the undertaking may apply to the court for an order. You may be sent to prison if it is proved that you —

- a. have, or have had since the date of your undertaking, the means to pay the sum; and**
- b. have refused or neglected, or are refusing or neglecting, to pay that sum.**

I understand the undertakings that I have given, and that if I break any of my promises to the court I may be sent to prison for contempt of court.

[applicant name]

Agreements

3. *[Insert any agreements reached between the parties (E.G. WHERE IT IS AGREED THAT ONE OR OTHER PARTY WILL MAKE PAYMENTS FOR PARTICULAR OUTGOINGS SUCH AS THE MONTHLY MORTGAGE PAYMENTS OR SPECIFIC UTILITY BILLS)]*

IT IS ORDERED (BY CONSENT) THAT:

4. **(EITHER)**

The [applicant] / [respondent] shall pay to the [respondent] / [applicant] maintenance pending suit until the date of [decree absolute]/ [final [divorce] / [dissolution] order] and afterwards interim periodical payments at the rate of £[amount] per annum, payable [weekly] / [monthly] [in advance] / [in arrears] by standing order from [date (E.G. INCLUDING A DATE EARLIER THAN THE DATE OF THE ORDER IF BACKDATING)] until further order. [The [applicant] / [respondent] shall be given credit for the payment(s) of £[amount] made on [dates].]

(OR)

The [applicant] / [respondent] shall pay to the [respondent] / [applicant] maintenance pending suit until the date of [decree absolute] / [final [divorce] / [dissolution] order] and afterwards interim periodical payments. Payments shall be at the rate of £[amount] per annum, payable [weekly] / [monthly] [in advance] / [in arrears] by standing order. Payments shall start [date (INCLUDING A DATE EARLIER THAN THE DATE OF THE ORDER IF BACKDATING)], and shall end on the first to occur of:

- a. the death of either the applicant or the respondent;
- b. the [respondent's] / [applicant's] remarriage;
- c. the determination of the applicant's application for a financial order; or
- d. a further order.

[The [applicant] / [respondent] shall be given credit for the payment[s] of £[amount] made on [date].]

5. *[Costs]*

Dated *[date]*