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Each state has different requirements for getting a civil domestic violence protection order. Because it makes protective orders difficult for teens to obtain, Nevada's grade for protecting teen victims of domestic and dating violence is a C.

Do I Qualify for an Order for Protection in Nevada?

Type of Relationship

In order to qualify for an order for protection, the abuser must be someone:

- You are dating or used to date¹
- You are living with or used to live with²
- You have a child with³
- You are married to or used to be married to⁴
- You are related to by blood or marriage⁵

Type of Abuse⁶

A judge is allowed to give you an order for protection when your abuser has:

- Physically abused you
- Attempted to physically abuse you
- Threatened to physically abuse you
- Sexually abused you
- Harassed you
- Stalked you
- Unlawfully held you against your will
- Criminally damaged your property

Age

If you are 18 or older, you can obtain an order for protection yourself without an adult's permission. If you are under 18, the law does not say who can file for you. It will be up to the individual courts and judges whether you can get an order for protection without your parent's permission. Check with a local domestic violence organization to see how your local courts handle minors who want orders for protection.

How Do I Get an Order for Protection?

If you want an order for protection, you can go to court to file for a temporary order. A judge can give you the temporary order that day and will schedule a full hearing within 45 days of your request for protection.⁷ After the hearing, a judge can give you a permanent order for protection which lasts 1 year.⁸

What Can I Ask for in an Order for Protection?

You may ask the court for the following in an order for protection:

- Your abuser must stay away from your home, school, work, day care or other places you frequent⁹
- Abuser must not harass, threaten, or communicate with you or your minor child directly or indirectly¹⁰
- Temporary visitation¹¹
- Child and spousal support (including rent or mortgage payments)¹²
- Abuser must surrender any firearms¹³
- Attorneys fees and court costs¹⁴

How Much Will It Cost?

It is free.¹⁵

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- ¹ Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. §33.018(1), (2) (2007).
² *Id.* §33.018(1).
³ *Id.* §33.018(1).
⁴ *Id.* §33.018(1).
⁵ *Id.* §33.018(1).
⁶ *Id.* §33.018.
⁷ *Id.* §33.420(3).
⁸ *Id.*
⁹ *Id.* §§33.030(1)(c), (4); 33.400(3)(a).
¹⁰ *Id.* §33.030(1)(a), (1)(e).
¹¹ *Id.* §33.030(2).
¹² *Id.*
¹³ *Id.* §33.030(2)(1)(A)-(B). See 2007 Nev. ALS 318,9
¹⁴ *Id.* §33.030(2)(b)(4).
¹⁵ *Id.* §33.050(1).

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