

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING  
FOR A  
STALKING PROTECTION ORDER  
IN WYOMING

***Petitioning the court for a Stalking Protection Order does not guarantee your safety or that the alleged stalker or Respondent will comply with the terms of such an order.***

*For help in developing a safety plan or about protection orders and how to get one, contact your local domestic violence program (see Crisis Intervention in the Yellow Pages) or call the Wyoming Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault at (844) 264-8080 (toll free) or (307) 755-0992 or Wyoming Division of Victim's Services at (888) 996-8816 or the National Domestic Violence Hotline at (800) 799-SAFE (7233) or (512) 453-8117 (multi-lingual advocates are available); TTY: (800) 787-3224.*

**Read all the instructions before completing forms to ensure that you qualify to seek a stalking protection order in Wyoming. YOU DON'T NEED TO FILL OUT EVERY FORM. ONLY FILL OUT THE INFORMATION SHEET AND THE PETITION. Keep the other forms, as you may need them at a later date.**

**Definitions for Stalking Order of Protection**  
**Wyo. Stat. § 7-3-506**

- (i) "Court" means the Circuit Court \* \* \* in the County where an alleged victim of stalking resides or where the alleged perpetrator of the stalking is found;
- (ii) "Order of Protection" means a court order granted for the protection of a victim of stalking;
- (iii) "Stalking" means conduct as defined by W.S. § 6-2-506, which states:
  - (a) As used in this section:
    - (i) "Course of Conduct" means a pattern of conduct composed of a series of acts over any period of time evidencing a continuity of purpose;
    - (ii) "Harass" means to engage in a course of conduct, including but not limited to verbal threats, written threats, lewd or obscene statements or images, vandalism, or nonconsensual physical contact, directed at a specific person that the defendant [respondent] knew or should have known would cause a reasonable person to suffer substantial emotional distress; a reasonable person to suffer substantial fear for their safety or the safety of another person; or a reasonable person to suffer substantial fear for the destruction of their property.

- (b) Unless otherwise provided by law, a person commits the crime of stalking if, with intent to harass another person, the person engages in a course of conduct reasonably likely to harass that person including, but not limited to any combination of the following:
- (i) Communicating, verbally or otherwise, or causing a communication with another person by verbal, electronic, mechanical, telegraphic, telephonic or written means in a manner that harasses;
  - (ii) Following a person other than within the residence of the respondent;
  - (iii) Placing a person under surveillance by remaining present outside his or her school, place of employment, vehicle, other place occupied by the person, or residence other than the residence of the respondent; or
  - (iv) Otherwise engaging in a course of conduct that harasses another person.