

Injunctions - Associated Persons

When the Family Court is asked to make injunctive orders under the Family Law Act 1996, such as a Non-molestation Order or an Occupation Order, certain criteria must be met. In particular, the Court only has the right to make orders against persons who are associated with the applicant.




Associated Persons Criteria

You are considered to be 'associated person' if:

- You have been married to each other or are civil partners.
- You are cohabitants or former cohabitants.
- You live or have lived in the same household (except where you are employees, tenants, lodgers or borders).
- You are relatives (including in-laws and relatives of half-blood).
- There is an agreement to marry or form a civil partnership with each other, even if such an agreement was subsequently terminated.
- You have a child together or you share parental responsibility for a child together.
- You are parties to the same family Court proceedings.
- You have had an intimate relationship with each other for a significant duration.

There are alternative remedies available in criminal law should your relationship not fall into one of the categories above.

To find out more, please refer to the information sheets which can be found on our website under Resources.

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