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## INVITATION TO COMMENT

SPR25-12

### Title

Criminal Law: Implementation of Recent Legislation Regarding Criminal Protective Orders

### Proposed Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes

Amend Cal. Rules of Court, rule 1.51; repeal rule 4.700; adopt form CLETS-002; approve forms CR-800, CR-800-INFO, CR-830, CR-840, and CR-850; revise forms CR-160, CR-161, and CR-162

## **Proposed by**

Criminal Law Advisory Committee Hon. Lisa Rodriguez, Chair

## **Action Requested**

Review and submit comments by May 23, 2025

## **Proposed Effective Date**

January 1, 2026

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## **Executive Summary and Origin**

To implement recent legislation addressing firearm and ammunition relinquishment for defendants subject to a criminal protective order and lengthening the time frame for certain postconviction criminal protective orders, the Criminal Law Advisory Committee proposes repealing a rule of court, revising three existing criminal protective order forms, and approving four new forms and an information sheet. The committee also proposes adoption of a new confidential California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System form for use with criminal protective orders, and amending California Rules of Court, rule 1.51 to require prosecuting agencies to use the form.

## **Background**

## **Assembly Bill 2308**

Effective January 1, 2025, Assembly Bill 2308 (Stats. 2024, ch. 649)<sup>1</sup> allows a court to issue a postconviction protective order for up to 15 years when a defendant is convicted of a violation of Penal Code section 273.5(a).<sup>2</sup> Previously, a court could issue such orders for up to 10 years.

## **Assembly Bill 2907**

Effective January 1, 2025, Assembly Bill 2907 (Stats. 2024, ch. 538)<sup>3</sup> amended Penal Code section 273.75(d) to require a court to inform a defendant about how to comply with firearm and ammunition prohibitions if the court has information or evidence that a defendant charged with a domestic violence–related offense *and* subject to a domestic violence criminal protective order has a firearm or ammunition.<sup>4</sup> If evidence of compliance is not provided by the defendant within 48 hours, the court must notify within two business days the prosecuting agency and appropriate law enforcement officials. The prosecuting agency and law enforcement must take all necessary action to obtain the firearms and ammunition as soon as practicable.<sup>5</sup>

Effective January 1, 2025, Penal Code section 29825.5 requires a defendant subject to specified postconviction protective orders<sup>6</sup> to relinquish firearms to law enforcement or a licensed firearms dealer within 24 hours of being served with the order and to file proof with the court within a specified period. The court is required to provide information on how to relinquish firearms and ammunition, according to local procedures, and the process for submitting a receipt to the court showing proof of relinquishment.<sup>7</sup> The bill also adds exemption criteria for sworn peace officers and others.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Link A.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> All further statutory references are to the Penal Code unless otherwise specified.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Link B.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> § 273.75(d). Section 273.75(d) applies to protective orders issued in a case involving acts of domestic violence under section 136.2(h) and (i), and sections 273.5(j), 368(*l*), 646.9(k), and 1203.097(a)(2). Section 136.2(h)(1) concerns pretrial domestic violence protective orders and (h)(2) concerns a pretrial protective order issued when a sex offense is charged. Because section 273.75 addresses domestic violence offenses, the reference to orders issued under section 136.2(h) likely only applies to cases involving domestic violence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> § 273.75(d).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Specifically, orders issued under section 273.5(j), 368(*l*), or 646.9(k).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> § 29825.5(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> § 29825.5(g).

## Senate Bill 899

Effective January 1, 2026, Senate Bill 899 (Stats. 2024, ch. 544)<sup>9</sup> requires the relinquishment of ammunition for a defendant subject to a criminal protective order under section 136.2 and adds new court procedures related to firearms and ammunition relinquishment:<sup>10</sup>

- Upon the issuance of a protective order:
  - The court is required to provide information on how to relinquish firearms and ammunition, according to local procedures, and the process for submitting a receipt to the court showing proof of relinquishment.<sup>11</sup>
  - A court holding a hearing on the matter must determine whether a receipt has been filed and inquire of the respondent whether they have complied. 12
  - O Any violations of the firearms prohibition must be reported to the prosecutor within two business days of the court hearing unless the restrained person provides a receipt showing compliance at a subsequent hearing or by direct filing with the clerk.<sup>13</sup>
  - If the restrained person does not file a receipt within 48 hours after receiving the order for a firearm in their possession, the court must notify appropriate law enforcement officials.<sup>14</sup>
  - The court may grant an exemption based on modified criteria for sworn peace officers and others. 15

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See Link C.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> SB 899 also amended statutes governing civil harassment, elder and dependent abuse, postsecondary private school violence, workplace violence, and gun violence restraining orders. The Civil and Small Claims Advisory Committee is circulating an invitation to comment proposing changes to several forms to implement SB 899. Similarly, the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee is circulating an invitation to comment proposing form revisions to implement AB 2759, which changed the requirements for granting a firearm exception to a domestic violence or juvenile restraining order. See SPR25-27, Protective Orders: Civil Restraining Order Forms to Implement SB 899 and SPR25-26, Protective Orders: Changes to Domestic Violence and Juvenile Forms to Implement AB 2759, available at <a href="https://courts.ca.gov/policy-administration/invitations-comment">https://courts.ca.gov/policy-administration/invitations-comment</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Code Civ. Proc., § 527.9(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> *Ibid*.

<sup>13</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> *Ibid*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Code Civ. Proc., § 527.9(f).

- When relevant information is provided to the court at any noticed hearing that the restrained person has a firearm:
  - o The court must determine whether the restrained person has a firearm in violation of the order. <sup>16</sup>
  - o In making the determination, the court may consider whether the restrained person has filed a firearm relinquishment receipt or if an exemption was granted. 17
  - The court may make the determination at any noticed hearing where a restraining order is issued, at a subsequent review hearing, or at any subsequent hearing while the order remains in effect.<sup>18</sup>
  - The court may set a review hearing within 10 court days after the hearing at which the information was presented. 19
  - If the restrained person is not present when the court sets the review hearing, the protected person must provide notice of the review hearing to the restrained person.<sup>20</sup>

Previously, Senate Bill 320 (Stats. 2021, ch. 685) implemented similar relinquishment procedural requirements for civil domestic violence restraining orders, and SB 899 was intended to replicate that framework for other civil and criminal protective orders. <sup>21</sup> As a result, many of the committee's proposed amendments to implement SB 899 are modeled after those adopted for domestic violence restraining orders in light of SB 320.

## **Confidential CLETS information form**

Confidential Information for Law Enforcement (form CLETS-001) must be submitted with requests for specified civil protective orders. <sup>22</sup> The form requires the protected person's age and gender, and gives the option of including the protected person's date of birth, telephone number, and whether they speak English or another language. The form also requires the name and gender of additional protected people and gives the option of including their race and date of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> § 18120.5(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> § 18120.5(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> § 18120.5(b)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> § 18120.5(c)(1), (2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> § 18120.5(c)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> See Sen. Rules Com., Off. of Sen. Floor Analyses, Rep. on Sen. Bill 899 (2023–2024 Reg. Sess.) Aug. 28, 2024, pp. 5, 7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Cal. Rules of Court, rule 1.51(a).

birth. After the protected person's information from the form is entered into the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS),<sup>23</sup> the form must be promptly destroyed.<sup>24</sup>

The Judicial Council first adopted a confidential CLETS information form to address safety concerns raised by domestic violence victim advocates about how including the protected person's date of birth and other identifying information on a domestic violence restraining order could be used to harass or stalk the protected person.<sup>25</sup> Subsequently, similar forms were adopted for use with juvenile protective orders and proceedings to prevent elder and dependent abuse, civil harassment, private postsecondary school violence, and workplace violence. These forms were consolidated into a single form, CLETS-001, effective January 1, 2012.

Adopted effective January 1, 2011, California Rules of Court, rule 1.51 provides direction to the public and the courts about how the confidential CLETS information form should be used, who has access to the information it contains, and how long courts should retain the form.

## Protected person's date of birth

All restraining orders issued in California must be entered into the California Department of Justice's restraining order database (CARPOS). Eligible restraining orders entered into CARPOS are then forwarded to a federal electronic database called the National Crime Information Center Protection Order File (NCIC-POF), which is maintained by the U.S. Department of Justice. The NCIC-POF is used by law enforcement agencies to verify and enforce out-of-state protective orders.

Currently, civil and criminal restraining orders do not require the protected person's date of birth, and only the age of the protected person is required for entry into CARPOS. However, the federal database will not display the protected person's name in a restraining order record unless the protected person's date of birth is provided. This proposal includes the option of providing the protected person's date of birth through a confidential CLETS information form for inclusion in the federal database.

## The Proposal

The Criminal Law Advisory Committee proposes amending rule 1.51, repealing rule 4.700, revising forms CR-160, CR-161, and CR-162, and adopting two new forms and approving four new forms and an information sheet, effective January 1, 2026, as described below.

## **Confidential CLETS information form**

The committee proposes adoption of a new form, *Confidential Information for Law Enforcement—Criminal* (form CLETS-002), modeled after form CLETS-001, for use in criminal

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> CLETS is a state law enforcement database.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Cal. Rules of Court, rule 1.51(e).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> See Judicial Council of Cal., Advisory Com. Rep., *Domestic Violence Prevention Act Forms* (Aug. 27, 2003), p. 2.

cases to provide the protected person's gender, age, and date of birth, as well as additional information about the protected person and the defendant. The committee anticipates that the prosecuting agency would fill out and submit the form with the protected person's information. Forms CR-160 and CR-161 would be revised to delete the protected person's gender and age and the gender of additional protected persons, and to include a reference to using form CLETS-002. These changes would align the criminal protective orders with all other protective orders with a protected party that are entered into CLETS, address concerns with the protected person's identifying information being available on the order, and allow the protected person's date of birth to be provided for inclusion in the federal database in a confidential manner.

Additionally, the committee proposes amending rule 1.51 by adding to subdivision (a) that a prosecuting agency requesting protective orders issued under Penal Code section 136.2, 273.5(j), 368(l), 646.9(k), or 1203.097(a)(2) must submit to the court with the request a completed form CLETS-002.<sup>26</sup> The committee also proposes amending the rule where necessary to refer to "Confidential CLETS Information forms," plural, to make clear that the rule's other provisions apply to form CLETS-002, including the requirement in rule 1.51(b) that CLETS forms be kept confidential.

Unlike form CLETS-001, form CLETS-002 does not include an item regarding the protected person and defendant/restrained person's language preferences and an item for the petitioner to identify whether the defendant has firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, or body armor. The criminal protective orders do not currently ask for the language preferences of the protected person and defendant, so the committee preferred not to require this additional information. The committee also did not think information about prohibited items needed to be included on the CLETS form in criminal cases, given that the protective orders include that information.

While the committee's consensus was that adopting form CLETS-002 would result in a modest but manageable workload increase, the committee seeks specific comments on whether requiring the use of form CLETS-002 would create workload pressures for prosecuting agencies, law enforcement, or the courts. It is the committee's understanding that several prosecuting agencies already use form CLETS-001 in conjunction with forms CR-160 and CR-161.

## Repealing rule 4.700

The committee proposes repealing rule 4.700 and seeks specific comments on whether there are reasons to retain all or part of the rule.

Rule 4.700 requires a court, upon issuing specified criminal protective orders, to set a review hearing to determine whether the defendant relinquished firearms if the court has good cause to believe that the defendant owns a firearm. The main rationale for the rule was that at the time, there were no statutory provisions to ensure that a court's order to relinquish firearms had been

<sup>26</sup> The Judicial Council is considering amendments to rule 1.51, effective July 1, 2025. (See Judicial Council of Cal., W25-07, *Protective Orders: New Civil Retail Crime Restraining Order*, p. 7, <a href="https://courts.ca.gov/system/files/itc/w25-07.pdf">https://courts.ca.gov/system/files/itc/w25-07.pdf</a>).

followed, <sup>27</sup> and one of the rule's stated purposes is to assist courts issuing criminal protective orders to determine whether a defendant has a firearm and assist courts to determine compliance with orders to relinquish under Code of Civil Procedure section 527.9.<sup>28</sup>

A similar rule governing civil domestic violence restraining orders, rule 5.495, was adopted by the Judicial Council effective July 1, 2014. The rationale for that rule was also the lack of statutory provisions around following up on relinquishment orders issued as part of restraining orders. <sup>29</sup> Subsequently, SB 320 codified rule 5.495 as Family Code section 6322.5, and the rule was repealed as of January 1, 2023.

Under Penal Code section 18120.5, which largely mirrors Family Code section 6322.5, it appears that the statutory gaps around firearm relinquishment compliance that rule 4.700 sought to address no longer exist. Though section 18120.5 does not directly codify rule 4.700, it does address when and how a court must determine whether a restrained person has a prohibited firearm, and the consequences of noncompliance.

## **Revising form CR-160**

The committee proposes revising Criminal Protective Order—Domestic Violence (form CR-160) by:

- Removing the protected person's gender and age and the item on the gender of additional protected persons and adding a reference to use form CLETS-002, where that information will be provided;
- Adding a statement that orders issued under section 273.5(j) last to up to 15 years;
- Adding, in item 8:
  - o Ammunition as an item that must be relinquished;
  - A statement that the defendant may use Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, and Ammunition (form CR-800); and
  - New item 8e for the court to indicate if a firearm exemption was granted, and if so, to see detailed orders on attached Permission to Have Firearm or Ammunition for Work (form CR-850);

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> See Judicial Council of Cal., Advisory Com. Rep., Domestic Violence: Firearms Relinquishment in Criminal Protective Order Cases (Apr. 19, 2010), p. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Cal. Rules of Court, rule 4.700(b)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> See Judicial Council of Cal., Advisory Com. Rep., Domestic Violence: Firearms Relinquishment in Family and Juvenile Law Restraining Order Cases (Apr. 2, 2014), p. 1.

- Adding new item 9, "Possession of prohibited items," for the court to list prohibited firearms and ammunition, note when the defendant provided proof of compliance, and set a review hearing on compliance;
- Adding new item 10, "Noncompliance with surrendering prohibited items," stating that the court will notify the prosecuting attorney and law enforcement that the defendant has not complied with relinquishment orders; and
- Adding citations to Code of Civil Procedure section 527.12 to the Instructions for Law Enforcement on page 5.

## **Revising form CR-161**

The committee proposes revising *Criminal Protective Order—Other Than Domestic Violence* (form CR-161) by:

- Removing the protected person's gender and age and the item on the gender of additional protected persons, and adding a reference to use form CLETS-002, where that information will be provided;
- Adding, in item 8:
  - Relinquishment requirements and time frames for orders issued under section 136.2 (item 8b) and sections 368(l) and 646.9(k) (new item 8c);
  - New item 8d stating that the defendant may use *Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, and Ammunition* (form CR-800); and
  - New item 8e for the court to indicate if a firearm exemption was granted, and if so, to see detailed orders on attached *Permission to Have Firearm or Ammunition for Work* (form CR-850);
- Adding new item 9, "Possession of prohibited items," for the court to list prohibited firearms and ammunition, note when the defendant provided proof of compliance, and set a review hearing on compliance;
- Adding new item 10, "Noncompliance with surrendering prohibited items," stating that the
  court will notify the prosecuting attorney and law enforcement that the defendant has not
  complied with relinquishment orders; and
- Adding citations to Code of Civil Procedure section 527.12 to the Instructions for Law Enforcement on page 4.

## **Revising form CR-162**

The committee proposes revising *Order to Surrender Firearms in Domestic Violence Case* (form CR-162) by:

- Changing the form title to *Order to Surrender Firearms, Firearm Parts, and Ammunition in Domestic Violence Case*;
- Revising item 4 to follow the structure and language of forms CR-160 and CR-161;
- Adding new item 4b for the court to indicate if a firearm exemption was granted, and if so, to see detailed orders on attached *Permission to Have Firearm or Ammunition for Work* (form CR-850);
- Adding new item 5, "Relinquishment of prohibited items," for the court to list prohibited firearms and ammunition, note when the defendant provided proof of compliance, and set a review hearing on compliance; and
- Adding new item 6, "Noncompliance with surrendering prohibited items," stating that the court will notify the prosecuting attorney and law enforcement that the defendant has not complied with relinquishment orders.

## Approving forms CR-800, CR-800-INFO, CR-830, CR-840, and CR-850

The committee proposes several new forms to implement the changes in law:

- Approve Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, and Ammunition (form CR-800) and a corresponding information sheet (form CR-800-INFO). Under SB 899, courts must provide information to a defendant subject to a criminal protective order on how to relinquish firearms and ammunition, according to local procedures, and the process for submitting a receipt to the court showing proof of relinquishment.<sup>30</sup> Forms CR-800 and CR-800-INFO are modeled after existing forms for use with civil restraining orders.
- Approve *Noncompliance With Firearms and Ammunition Order* (form CR-830). This form would be used by a court to report noncompliance with relinquishment orders to both the prosecuting agency and law enforcement.<sup>31</sup> In domestic violence cases, the agencies must "take all actions necessary to obtain those and any other firearms or ammunition owned, possessed, or controlled by the defendant and to address any violation of the order with respect to firearms or ammunition as appropriate and as soon as practicable."<sup>32</sup> This directive is not included for cases that do not involve domestic violence. To reflect these differences, the form has separate items for domestic violence cases and cases not involving domestic violence.
- Approve *Prohibited Items Finding and Orders* (form CR-840). This form is intended for use by the court when it learns that the restrained person has a firearm *after* a protective order has issued, pursuant to the procedures under Penal Code section 18120.5 and Code of Civil

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Code Civ. Proc., § 527.9(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Code Civ. Proc., § 527.9(b); Pen. Code, § 273.75(d).

<sup>32 § 273.75(</sup>d).

Procedure section 527.9. The form allows the court to list prohibited firearms and ammunition, note when the defendant provided proof of compliance, set a review hearing on compliance, and state that the court will notify the prosecuting attorney and law enforcement if the defendant has not complied with relinquishment orders.

 Adopt Permission to Have Firearm or Ammunition for Work (form CR-850). This form allows the court to make appropriate findings and orders when granting a request for a firearm exemption under Code of Civil Procedure section 527.9(f) or Penal Code section 29825.5(g).

## Alternatives Considered

The committee did not consider the alternative of taking no action because form revisions are needed to comply with AB 2308, AB 2907, and SB 899. To the extent the proposed revisions were not required by the terms of the new laws, the committee considered taking no action but ultimately determined the revisions were warranted in light of the benefits the revisions would provide to the courts and court users.

## Conflict between relinquishment procedures in SB 899 and AB 2907

Though AB 2907 and SB 899 both address relinquishment of prohibited items due to a criminal protective order, there are some discrepancies on requirements and procedures depending on whether the order was issued pretrial, postconviction, or in a domestic violence case. Because the discrepancies appear to be due to oversight, the committee discussed whether to attempt to reconcile or standardize the requirements and procedures, but decided to directly reflect the applicable statutory language.

For example, while ammunition must now be relinquished with most criminal protective orders, <sup>33</sup> no statute requires ammunition relinquishment for postconviction criminal protective orders issued under Penal Code section 273.5(j), 368(*l*), or 646.9(k) in a case not involving domestic violence (see form CR-161, item 8c), because section 29825.5, the only statute addressing these types of cases, does not include clear language on ammunition relinquishment.

Additionally, section 273.75(d), regarding criminal protective orders issued in domestic violence cases, does not specify how prohibited items should be relinquished but requires the court to provide information to the defendant on how to comply with the prohibition. Given that relinquishment in the criminal context generally involves surrendering to law enforcement or selling to a licensed gun dealer, the committee proposes directing relinquishment to law enforcement or a licensed gun dealer for orders issued under Penal Code section 1203.097.<sup>34</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> See Code Civ. Proc., § 527.9(b); Pen. Code, § 273.75(d).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> All other criminal protective orders are subject to statutes requiring relinquishment to law enforcement or a licensed gun dealer (see Code Civ. Proc., § 527.9(b); Pen. Code, § 29825.5(b).)

# Conflict between conviction-based relinquishment procedures under Penal Code section 29810 and postconviction criminal protective order relinquishment procedures

Postconviction criminal protective orders are generally issued in cases in which a conviction of the underlying offense also prohibits the defendant from possessing a firearm. In these matters, the postconviction criminal protective order relinquishment procedures conflict with some of the conviction-based relinquishment procedures under Penal Code section 29810, and there are no cross-references in the statutory language.

It is not certain which provisions supersede, and the committee noted the difficulty for litigants and judges to understand how to navigate the conflicting procedures. The committee discussed whether to try to reconcile the procedures in the forms but decided that it would require legislative clarity or resolution by the courts.

## Service by protected person

Penal Code section 18120.5(c)(1), which applies to gun violence restraining orders and criminal protective orders issued under section 136.2, states that if the restrained person is not present when the court sets a review hearing regarding their compliance with relinquishment orders, the protected person must provide notice of the review hearing to the restrained person at least two court days before the review hearing, by personal service or by mail to the restrained person's last known address.

Despite the statutory language, the committee is not including an item addressing service of the defendant by the protected person on form CR-840, as this is not a common practice in a criminal case and the likelihood that the protected person would be present at the time a review hearing is set is minimal. The committee discussed the option of including an item about service of the defendant by the protected person and modifying it to state that the protected person may seek assistance from the prosecuting agency, but ultimately preferred excluding the language entirely.

## Mandatory or optional forms

Forms CR-830 and CR-840 are modeled after forms DV-830 and DV-840, which are used for proceedings related to domestic violence restraining orders. Forms CR-830 and DV-830 allow a court to report a restrained person's noncompliance with a relinquishment order to the prosecuting agency and law enforcement, and forms CR-840 and DV-840 are for courts to use when compliance issues arise after a restraining order has issued. Forms DV-830 and DV-840 are mandatory forms. Though there is a preference for Judicial Council forms to be as consistent as possible, the committee proposes making forms CR-830 and CR-840 optional rather than mandatory, since criminal courts have additional avenues to address noncompliance, such as a probation revocation, or may have local preferences to communicate with the prosecuting agency and law enforcement.

## Firearm exemption advisement

On form CR-850, the committee initially considered presenting item 2c as a stand-alone warning text box:

Warning: The court orders listed above in ② only apply to this restraining order. If you are prohibited from having firearms or ammunition by another order or law, you may be in violation of state or federal law.

The committee discussed how to make this advisement as clear as possible to the defendant to avoid any confusion in the future, including whether to require the defendant to initial the warning to confirm it was received. The committee decided it would be clearer to make the advisement part of the order as item 2c. The committee seeks specific comments on whether the advisement is more clearly communicated as a stand-alone warning text box.

## Notice of noncompliance to law enforcement and the prosecuting agency

For the notice to the law enforcement and prosecuting agency of a defendant's noncompliance with surrendering prohibited items,<sup>35</sup> the committee considered deriving the time frame for such notification from the statutory language of Code of Civil Procedure section 527.9(b)<sup>36</sup> and Penal Code section 273.75(d)<sup>37</sup> rather than calling for the court's immediate notification of law enforcement and prosecuting agencies. The committee modeled the language to immediately notify the agencies after the language implementing SB 320 in the domestic violence restraining orders, communicating to the restrained person that this exchange would occur swiftly.

## **Review hearings**

Under new Penal Code section 18120.5, when relevant information is provided to the court at any noticed hearing that a person subject to a criminal protective order issued under section 136.2 has a firearm, the court must determine if the person has a firearm in violation of the order, with the option of setting a review hearing.<sup>38</sup> Section 18120.5 does not discuss ammunition, though under SB 899, it is now a prohibited item that must be relinquished, alongside firearms, under Code of Civil Procedure section 527.9(b).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> See item 10 of forms CR-160 and CR-161, and item 5 on form CR-840.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> "Violations of the firearms prohibition of any restraining order under this section shall be reported to the prosecuting attorney in the jurisdiction where the order has been issued within two business days of the court hearing unless the restrained party provides a receipt showing compliance at a subsequent hearing or by direct filing with the clerk of the court. If the person does not file a receipt with the court within 48 hours after receiving the order for a firearm in their possession, the court shall order the clerk of the court to immediately notify, by the most effective means available, appropriate law enforcement officials of the issuance and contents of a protective order, information about the firearm or ammunition, and of any other information the court deems appropriate." (Code Civ. Proc., § 527.9(b).)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> "If evidence of compliance with firearms prohibitions is not provided within 48 hours of the defendant being served with the protective order or after a review hearing under rule 4.700 of the California Rules of Court if required or as may be required otherwise, the court shall order the clerk of the court to notify within two business days, by the most effective means available, the prosecuting agency and appropriate law enforcement officials of the issuance and contents of the protective order, information about the firearm or ammunition, and of any other information obtained through the search that the court determines is appropriate." (Pen. Code, § 273.75(d).)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> § 18120.5(a), (c)(1).

To maintain consistency between the prohibited items that are required to be relinquished and the court findings and review hearings, the committee proposes adding ammunition as an item subject to the court findings and review hearings.<sup>39</sup> While new Penal Code section 18120.5 only expressly requires the court to determine if a person has a firearm in violation of an order, there is nothing precluding the court from making findings regarding ammunition as well.

## Service by peace officer

SB 899 introduced new Code of Civil Procedure section 527.12, requiring a peace officer, "upon the request of a petitioner," to serve specified protective orders on the respondent, including criminal protective orders issued under section 136.2. The committee considered but declined to include language on the existing or proposed forms regarding this provision, noting that a defendant will generally be personally served at the time the order is issued.

## **Use of form CLETS-001**

The committee initially proposed including criminal protective orders in form CLETS-001, alongside civil restraining orders. However, the committee ultimately proposes a separate form due to the differences present in criminal cases. Form CLETS-002 is intended to be completed by a prosecuting agency rather than a petitioner and is designed for streamlined use by focusing on the protected person's information.

## **Fiscal and Operational Impacts**

The proposal will require training of court staff and judicial officers on the revised and new forms and amended rules. Additional expected costs include case management system updates and the production of new forms.

While the committee anticipates that requiring the use of form CLETS-002 for criminal protective orders will result in a modest but manageable workload increase, the committee seeks specific comments on whether this may create workload pressures for the courts, prosecuting agencies, or law enforcement.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> See item 9b on forms CR-160 and CR-161, and item 4 on form CR-840.

## **Request for Specific Comments**

In addition to comments on the proposal as a whole, the advisory committee is interested in comments on the following:

- Does the proposal appropriately address the stated purpose?
- Should all or parts of California Rules of Court, rule 4.700 be retained rather than repealed? If so, why?
- Item 2c on form CR-850 is an advisement to the defendant that a granted firearm exemption only applies to the specific restraining order, and that if the defendant is prohibited from having firearms or ammunition by another order or law, the defendant may be in violation of state or federal law. Is such information more clearly communicated as a stand-alone warning box?
- Would proposed form CLETS-002 increase the workload for courts, prosecuting agencies, and law enforcement?
- Would it be helpful to include language preferences and prohibited item information on form CLETS-002, similar to form CLETS-001?

The advisory committee also seeks comments from *courts* on the following cost and implementation matters:

- Would the proposal provide cost savings? If so, please quantify.
- What would the implementation requirements be for courts—for example, training staff (please identify position and expected hours of training), revising processes and procedures (please describe), changing docket codes in case management systems, or modifying case management systems?
- Would two months from Judicial Council approval of this proposal until its effective date provide sufficient time for implementation?
- How well would this proposal work in courts of different sizes?

## **Attachments and Links**

- 1. Cal. Rules of Court, rules 1.51 and 4.700, at pages 15–18
- 2. Form CLETS-002, CR-160, CR-161, CR-162, CR-800, CR-800-INFO, CR-830, CR-840, and CR-850, at pages 19–41
- 3. Link A: Assem. Bill 2308, https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\_id=202320240AB2308
- 4. Link B: Assem. Bill 2907, https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\_id=202320240AB2907
- 5. Link C: Sen. Bill 899, https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\_id=202320240SB899

1		e 1.51. California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS)
2	info	rmation form
3 4	(a)	Confidential CLETS Information form to be submitted to the court
5	(a)	Confidential CLE 15 finormation form to be submitted to the court
6		(1) A person requesting protective orders under Code of Civil Procedure section
7		527.6, 527.8, or 527.85; Family Code section 6320, 6404, or 6454; Penal
8		Code sections 18100–18205; or Welfare and Institutions Code section 213.5
9		or 15657.03 must submit to the court with the request a completed
10		Confidential CLETS Information form.
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12		(2) A prosecuting agency requesting protective orders under Penal Code section
13 14		136.2, 273.5(j), 368( <i>l</i> ), 646.9(k), or 1203.097(a)(2) must submit to the court
15		with the request a completed Confidential Information for Law Enforcement—Criminal (form CLETS-002).
16		Enjorcement Criminal (191111 CEETS 002).
17	(b)	Confidentiality of the form
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19		The Confidential CLETS Information forms is are confidential, and access to the
20		information on the forms is limited to the persons listed in (c).
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22	(c)	Access to information on the form
<ul><li>23</li><li>24</li></ul>		The Confidential CLETS Information forms must not be included in the court file.
25		After the form is submitted to the court, only the following persons may have
26		access to the information on the form:
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28		(1) Authorized court personnel; and
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30		(2) Law enforcement and other personnel authorized by the California
31		Department of Justice to transmit or receive CLETS information.
32	(4)	Amondment of the form
<ul><li>33</li><li>34</li></ul>	(d)	Amendment of the form
35		A person or party requesting protective orders or the person's attorney may submit
36		an amended <i>Confidential CLETS Information</i> form as a matter of right to provide
37		updated or more complete and accurate information.
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39	(e)	Retention and destruction of the form
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41		(1) When a Confidential CLETS Information form is submitted to the court, the
42		court, if a temporary restraining order or order after hearing is entered, may:

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2			A) Transmit the form to a law enforcement agency for entry into CLETS
3			and not retain any copy; or
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5			B) Enter the information on the form into CLETS itself and promptly
6			destroy the form or delete it from its records.
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8		(2)	f no temporary restraining order or order after hearing is entered, the court
9			nay promptly destroy the form or delete it from its records.
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11		(3)	Intil the court has completed (1) or (2), the form must be retained in a secure
12			manner that prevents access to the information on the form except to those
13			persons identified in (c).
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16	Rule	e <b>4.700.</b>	Firearm relinquishment procedures for criminal protective orders
17		Rep	aled]
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19	<del>(a)</del>	<del>Appl</del> i	eation of rule
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21			tle applies when a court issues a criminal protective order under Penal Code
22			136.2 during a criminal case or as a condition of probation under Penal
23			ection 1203.097(a)(2) against a defendant charged with a crime of domestic
24		violer	se as defined in Penal Code section 13700 and Family Code section 6211.
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28		This r	tle is intended to:
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30		` /	Assist courts issuing criminal protective orders to determine whether a
31			lefendant subject to such an order owns, possesses, or controls any firearms;
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34			Assist courts that have issued criminal protective orders to determine whether
35			defendant has complied with the court's order to relinquish or sell the
36			irearms under Code of Civil Procedure section 527.9.
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38	<del>(c)</del>	Settin	<del>g review hearing</del>
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40			At any hearing where the court issues a criminal protective order, the court
41			must consider all credible information, including information provided on

behalf of the defendant, to determine if there is good cause to believe that the 1 2 defendant has a firearm within his or her immediate possession or control. 3 4 (2) If the court finds good cause to believe that the defendant has a firearm 5 within his or her immediate possession or control, the court must set a review 6 hearing to ascertain whether the defendant has complied with the requirement 7 to relinquish the firearm as specified in Code of Civil Procedure section 8 527.9. Unless the defendant is in custody at the time, the review hearing 9 should occur within two court days after issuance of the criminal protective 10 order. If circumstances warrant, the court may extend the review hearing to occur within 5 court days after issuance of the criminal protective order. The 11 12 court must give the defendant an opportunity to present information at the 13 review hearing to refute the allegation that he or she owns any firearms. If the 14 defendant is in custody at the time the criminal protective order is issued, the 15 court should order the defendant to appear for a review hearing within two 16 court days after the defendant's release from custody. 17 18 (3) If the proceeding is held under Penal Code section 136.2, the court may, 19 under Penal Code section 977(a)(2), order the defendant to personally appear 20 at the review hearing. If the proceeding is held under Penal Code section 21 1203.097, the court should order the defendant to personally appear. 22 23 <del>(d)</del> **Review hearing** 24 25 (1) If the court has issued a criminal protective order under Penal Code section 26 136.2, at the review hearing: 27 28 (A) If the court finds that the defendant has a firearm in or subject to his or 29 her immediate possession or control, the court must consider whether 30 bail, as set, or defendant's release on own recognizance is appropriate. 31 32 (B) If the defendant does not appear at the hearing and the court orders that 33 bail be revoked, the court should issue a bench warrant. 34 35 (2) If the criminal protective order is issued as a condition of probation under 36 Penal Code section 1203.097, and the court finds at the review hearing that 37 the defendant has a firearm in or subject to his or her immediate possession 38 or control, the court must proceed under Penal Code section 1203.097(a)(12).

section 527.9, the burden of proof is on the prosecution.

(3) In any review hearing to determine whether a defendant has complied with

the requirement to relinquish firearms as specified in Code of Civil Procedure

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1 2 **Advisory Committee Comment** 3 4 When issuing a criminal protective order under Penal Code section 136.2 or 1203.097(a)(2), the 5 court is required to order a defendant "to relinquish any firearm in that person's immediate 6 possession or control, or subject to that person's immediate possession or control . . . . " (Code 7 Civ. Proc., § 527.9(b).) Mandatory Judicial Council form CR-160, Criminal Protective Order 8 Domestic Violence, includes a mandatory order in bold type that the defendant "must surrender to 9 local law enforcement or sell to a licensed gun dealer any firearm owned or subject to his or her 10 immediate possession or control within 24 hours after service of this order and must file a receipt with the court showing compliance with this order within 48 hours of receiving this order." 11 12 13 Courts are encouraged to develop local procedures to calendar review hearings for defendants in 14 custody beyond the two-court-day time frame to file proof of firearms relinquishment with the 15 court under Code of Civil Procedure section 527.9. 16

## **CLETS-002** Confidential Information for Law Enforcement—Criminal

## Instructions:

- The prosecuting agency seeking the criminal order must complete item (1) and (2) of this form and give it to the court clerk along with form CR-160 or CR-161. Item (3) is optional.
- If the judge grants the protective order, information on this form will be entered into the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS) and may be entered into a federal law enforcement database.
- If information changes later, this form may be completed again and turned 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.

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA **DEFENDANT:** 

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)	*Protected Person's Information
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*Name: _					
*Gender:	$\square$ M	$\Box$ F	☐ Nonbinary	*Race:	
*Age:		Date	e of Birth (month, a	day, year):	
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Telephone					

## **Other Protected People**

(Date of birth is required for the information of any protected people listed below to appear in a federal law enforcement database.)

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

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.

This is not a Court Order—Do not place in court file.



				Case Number:	
<b>Defendant</b>					
*Name:					
☐ See form CR-160 or	CR-161 for all additiona	al information.			
Other names used:					
*Gender: $\square$ M $\square$	F Nonbinary	*Race:			
*Age:(estin	nate, if age unknown)	Date of Birth:			
Marks, scars, or tattoos:					
Driver's license (numbe	*			CCNI	
Vehicle type:			ear:	Plate number:	
Telephone:					
Name of employer and a	address:				

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	CRIMINAL PROTECTIVE ORDER—DOMESTIC (CLETS—CPO)	the Judicial Council			
l,	ORDER PENDING TRIAL (Pen. Code, § 136.2)	MODIFICATION			
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	rotected person <mark>(use form CLETS-002)</mark>				
	Name:				
3. <b>A</b> c	dditional protected persons (use form CLETS-002)				
	*Name	Relationsl	hip to person in item 2		
a.	. The court finds that the additional protected persons we orders issued under Penal Code section 136.2(i)(1)).	re also victims of the crime (fin	iding required for postconviction		
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	items 1, 2, and 3: Information that has a star (*) next to it is required r System. Please provide all known information.)	red to add this order into the C	alifornia Restraining and Protective		
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4. <b>EX</b>	Expiration date For pretrial orders, this order remains in effect until further con  Protective Order in Criminal Proceeding (form CR-165).	urt order. To terminate, courts ı	must use Notice of Termination of		
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	136.2(i), 368( <i>l</i> ), and 646.9(k) may be valid for up to 10 years,				
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	l <b>earing</b> his proceeding was heard on <i>(date):</i>	-+ /Line - ) .	. 5		
		at (time):	in Dept.:		
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6. <b>Pe</b>	Personal service  Defendant was personally served with a copy of this order at the court hearing, and no additional proof of service of this order				
7 Th	is required.  he court finds good cause to grant a protective order. See items	Q_ <mark>91</mark>			
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	o the defendant				
	If you do not obey these orders, you can be charged with a continuous co	crime, go to jail or prison, and/o	or pay a fine.		
	• It is a felony to take or hide a child in violation of this order.		!		
	Traveling across state or tribal boundaries with the intent to violate and across state or tribal boundaries.	violate the order may be punish	nable as a federal offense.		
	(18 U.S.C. § 2261(a)(1).)				

**CR-160** 

DE	EFEN	NDANT:			CASE NUMBER:	
8.	<ul> <li>No firearms (guns), firearm parts, or ammunition</li> <li>a. The defendant must not own, possess, buy or try to buy, receive or try to receive, or in any other way get any firearms (guns), firearm parts (meaning receivers, frames, or any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame; see Penal Code section 16531), or ammunition. Possession of firearms, firearm parts, or ammunition while this order is in effect may subject the defendant to state or federal prosecution and may include jail or prison time and/or a fine.</li> </ul>					
	b.	Within 24 hours of receiving this order, the gun dealer, any firearms, firearm parts, and possession or control.				ensed
	C.	Within 48 hours of receiving this order the dand ammunition have been turned in, sold of		eipt with the co	urt showing that all firearms, firearm	parts,
	d.	The defendant may use Receipt for Firearm	ns, Firearm Parts, and Ar	mmunition (forr	m CR-800).	
	e.	The court has granted a limited exceptorm CR-850.	otion to allow firearms or	ammunition for	work only. See detailed orders on a	ttached
9.		Possession of prohibited items				
	a.	The court finds that the defendant has	s the following prohibited	items:		
		(1) Firearms and/or firearm parts				
		Description (include serial number, if known)	Location	on, if known	Proof of compliance received by the cou	
		(a)			(date):	
		(b)			(date):	
		(2) Ammunition			Proof of compliance	20
		Description	Amount, if known	Location, it	f known received by the co	
					(date):	
		Check here to list additional items. List ltems" at the top, and attach it to this		ece of paper, w	rite "Restrained Person Has Prohibit	ed
	b.	The court sets a review hearing for (da defendant has properly turned in, sold, does not attend the review hearing, the enforcement and a prosecuting attorne	or stored all prohibited it court may find that the	ems, including		endant
10.		Noncompliance with surrendering pro	hibited items			
	a.	The court finds that the defendant has not f court has not received a receipt or proof of	*			. The
	b.	The court will immediately notify the for agencies):	ollowing law enforcement	t agency of this	s violation (law enforcement agency o	or
	C.	The court will immediately notify the fo	ollowing prosecuting age	ncy of this viola	ation (prosecuting agency):	
11	Th	body armor e defendant must not own, possess, or buy a y body armor in their possession.	any body armor (defined	in Penal Code	section 16288). Defendant must reli	nquish
12		No dissuading victim or witness (for p The defendant must not attempt to or act or making a report to any law enforcement	ually prevent or dissuade			stifying,

DE	EFENDANT:	CASE NUMBER:
	No obtaining addresses (for orders issued under Penal Code section 136.2)  a. The defendant must take no action to obtain the addresses or locations of protected caretakers, or guardians unless good cause exists otherwise.  b. The court finds good cause not to make this order.	d persons or their family members,
14.		
	Defendant must not harass, strike, threaten, assault (sexually or otherwise), hit, follow, or real property, disturb the peace of, keep under surveillance, annoy by phone or othe contact), impersonate (on the internet, electronically, or otherwise), or block movement and 3.	r electronic means (including repeatedly
	<ul> <li>"Disturb the peace of" means to destroy someone's mental or emotional calm. as through someone else. This can also be done in any way, such as by phone includes coercive control.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>"Coercive control" means a number of acts that unreasonably limit the free will by this restraining order. Examples include isolating them from friends, relative or basic needs; controlling or keeping track of them, including their movements services; and making them do something by force, threat, or intimidation, including immigration status; and reproductive coercion, meaning controlling someone's threat, or intimidation to pressure someone to be or not be pregnant, and to co contraception, birth control, pregnancy, or access to related health information.</li> </ul>	s, or other support; keeping them from food s, contacts, activities, money, or access to ding threats based on actual or suspected reproductive choices, such as using force, ntrol or interfere with someone's
15.	No-contact order  Defendant must not contact the protected persons named in items 2 and 3, directly or telephone, mail, email or other electronic means, or through a third party. Contact throset by the court does not violate this order.	
16.	Stay-away order	
	Defendant must stay at least yards away from (check all that apply):	
	a. The protected person	
	b The protected person's home job or workplace vehicc other protected persons in item 3 d Other location:	cle
17.	Exceptions  Defendant may have peaceful contact with the protected persons named in items 2 an stay-away orders in items 15 and 16 of this order, only for the safe exchange of children	
	a. the family, juvenile, or probate court order in <i>(case number):</i> issued on <i>(date):</i>	
	b. any family, juvenile, or probate court order issued <i>after</i> the date this order is	signed.
	The restrained and protected persons should always carry a certified copy of the most probate court.	recent order issued by the family, juvenile, or
18.		
	a. The protected persons named in items 2 and 3 are given the exclusive care, posses	ssion, and control of the animals listed below:
	Name: Type of animal: Bree	ed (optional): Color (optional):
	<ul> <li>b. Defendant must not take, transfer, sell, encumber, conceal, molest, attack, st the animals listed above.</li> </ul>	·
	c. Defendant must not come within yards of the animals listed above	c.

Executed on (date):

JUDICIAL OFFICER

## Certificate of Compliance With Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

This protective order meets all full faith and credit requirements of the Violence Against Women Act, 18 U.S.C. § 2265 (1994). This court has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter, and the restrained person has been afforded notice and a timely opportunity to be heard as provided by the laws of this jurisdiction. This order is valid and entitled to enforcement in each jurisdiction throughout the 50 states of the United States, the District of Columbia, all tribal lands, and all U.S. territories, and shall be enforced as if it were an order of that jurisdiction.

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DEFENDANT:	CASE NUMBER:

## **Instructions for Law Enforcement**

### 1. Start Date and End Date of Order

This order starts on the date it was issued by a judicial officer.

This order ends as ordered in item 4 on page 1 of this order.

- Orders under Penal Code section 136.2(a) are valid as long as the court has jurisdiction over the case. They are not valid after imposition of a county jail or state prison commitment. (People v. Stone (2004) 123 Cal.App.4th 153.)
- Orders issued under Penal Code sections 136.2(i)(1), 368(I), and 646.9(k) are valid for up to 10 years, and orders under section 273.5(j) are valid for up to 15 years, and may be issued by the court regardless of whether the defendant is sentenced to state prison, county jail, or subject to mandatory supervision or if imposition of sentence is suspended and the defendant is placed on probation.
- Orders under Penal Code section 1203.097(a)(2) are probationary orders, and the court has jurisdiction as long as the defendant is on probation.
- To terminate this protective order, courts should use Notice of Termination of Protective Order in Criminal Proceeding (form CR-165).

### 2. If the Protected Person Contacts the Restrained Person

Even if the protected person invites or consents to contact with the restrained person, the orders remain in effect and must be enforced. The protected person cannot be arrested for inviting or consenting to contact with the restrained person. The orders can be changed only by another court order. (Pen. Code, § 13710(b).)

### 3. Enforcing This Order in California

- This order must be enforced in California by any law enforcement agency that has received the order, or is shown a copy of the order, or has verified its existence on the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS).
- The peace officer or law enforcement officer must first determine if the restrained person had notice of the order. If notice cannot be verified, the restrained person must be advised of the terms of the order. If the restrained person fails to obey the order, the officer must enforce it. (Code Civ. Proc., § 527.12; Fam. Code, § 6383.)

## 4. Conflicting Orders—Priority of Enforcement

If more than one restraining order has been issued protecting the protected person from the restrained person, the orders must be enforced in the following priority (see Code of Civil Procedure, section 517.12(d)(2), Penal Code section 136.2 and Family Code sections 6383(h)(2), 6405(b)):

- Emergency Protective Order (EPO): If one of the orders is an Emergency Protective Order (form EPO-001), provisions (e.g., stay-away order) that are more restrictive than in the other restraining/protective orders must be enforced. Provisions of another order that do not conflict with the EPO must also be enforced.
- **No-Contact Order:** If a restraining/protective order includes a no-contact order, the no-contact order must also be enforced. Item 15 is an example of a no-contact order.
- Criminal Protective Order (CPO): If none of the orders includes an EPO or a no-contact order, the most recent CPO must be enforced. (Code of Civil Procedure section 517.12(d)(2), Family Code sections 6383(h)(2), 6405(b).) Additionally, a CPO issued in a criminal case involving charges of domestic violence, Penal Code sections 261, 261.5, or former 262, or charges requiring sex offender registration must be enforced over any civil court order. (Penal Code section 136.2(e)(2).) All provisions in the civil court order that do not conflict with the CPO must also be enforced.
- Civil Restraining Orders: If there is more than one civil restraining order (e.g., domestic violence, juvenile, elder abuse, civil harassment), then the order that was issued last must be enforced. Provisions that do not conflict with the most recent civil restraining order must also be enforced.

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8.		lo firearms (guns), firearm parts, or ammunition a. The defendant must not own, possess, buy or try to buy, receive or try to receive, or in any other way get any firearms (guns), firearm parts (meaning receivers, frames, or any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame; see Penal Code section 16531), or ammunition. Possession of firearms, firearm parts, or ammunition while this order is in effect may subject the defendant to state or federal prosecution and may include jail or prison time and/or a fine.				
	b.	For orders issued under Penal Code section 136.2: Within 24 hours of rece local law enforcement, or sell to or store with a licensed gun dealer, any fire by the defendant or within the defendant's immediate possession or control defendant must file a receipt with the court showing that all firearms, firearn sold, or stored.	rearms <mark>,</mark> firearm parts, <mark>and ammunition</mark> owne ol. Within <u>48 hours of rece</u> iving this order the	ed e		
	C.	For orders issued under Penal Code sections 368(I) or 646.9(k): Within 24 must turn in to local law enforcement, or sell to or store with a licensed gun by the defendant or within the defendant's immediate possession or control must file a receipt with the court showing that all firearms and firearm parts	n dealer, any firearms and firearm parts own bl. By <i>(date):</i> the defenda	ned		
	d.	The defendant may use Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, and Ammunition (for	orm CR-800).			
	e.	The court has granted a limited exception to allow firearms or ammunition f form CR-850.	for work only. See detailed orders on attach	ned		
9.		Possession of prohibited items				
	a.	The court finds that the defendant has the following prohibited items:				
		(1) Firearms and/or firearm parts				
		Description (include serial	Proof of compliance			
		number, if known)	received by the court			
		<mark>(a)</mark>	(date):			
		<mark>(b)</mark>	(date):			
		(2) Ammunition	Proof of compliance			
		Description Amount, if known Location,	n, if known received by the court (date):			
		Check here to list additional items. List them on a separate piece of paper, Items" at the top, and attach it to this form.	, write "Restrained Person Has Prohibited			
	b.	The court sets a review hearing for (date): (time):  defendant has properly turned in, sold, or stored all prohibited items, includir does not attend the review hearing, the court may find that the defendant has enforcement and a prosecuting attorney of the violation.		ant		
10		Noncompliance with surrendering prohibited items (for orders issued un	nder Penal Code section 136.2)			
	a.	The court finds that the defendant has not fully complied with the orders previous court has not received a receipt or proof of compliance for all the items listed in it		he		
	b.	The court will immediately notify the following law enforcement agency of the agencies):	his violation ( <i>law enforcement agency o</i> r			
	C.	The court will immediately notify the following prosecuting agency of this vio	iolation (prosecuting agency):			
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12		No dissuading victim or witness (for pretrial orders issued under Penal C The defendant must not attempt to or actually prevent or dissuade any victim or or making a report to any law enforcement agency or person.		ng,		

JUDICIAL OFFICER

DEFENDANT	CASE NUMBER:
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## 2. Enforcing This Order in California

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- **No-Contact Order:** If a restraining/protective order includes a no-contact order, the no-contact order must also be enforced. Item 15 is an example of a no-contact order.
- Criminal Protective Order (CPO): If none of the orders includes an EPO or a no-contact order, the most recent CPO must be enforced (Code of Civil Procedure, section 527.12(d)(2) & Family Code sections 6383(h)(2), 6405(b).) Additionally, a CPO issued in a criminal case involving charges of domestic violence, Penal Code sections 261, 261.5, or former 262, or charges requiring sex offender registration must be enforced over any civil court order. (Penal Code section 136.2(e)(2).) All provisions in the civil court order that do not conflict with the CPO must also be enforced.
- **Civil Restraining Orders:** If there is more than one civil restraining order (e.g., domestic violence, juvenile, elder abuse, civil harassment), then the order that was issued last must be enforced. Provisions that do not conflict with the most recent civil restraining order must also be enforced.

CR-161 [Rev. January 1, 2026]

SUPI	ERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF	FOR COURT USE ONLY
STREE	ET ADDRESS:	
MAILIN	NG ADDRESS:	
CITY A	AND ZIP CODE:	
BRAN	CH NAME:	04/08/2025
	PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA	DRAFT Not approved by
	V.	the Judicial Council
	DEFENDANT:	
0	RDER TO SURRENDER FIREARMS, FIREARM PARTS, AND AMMUNITION	IN
	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASE	CASE NUMBER:
	(CLETS—CPO)	
	(Penal Code, § 136.2(a)(1)(G)(ii))	
PER	SON TO SURRENDER FIREARMS <mark>/DEFENDANT</mark> (complete name):	
(	Gender: M F Nonbinary Race:	Date of birth:
	Ht.: Wt.: Hair color:	Eye color:
1. T	his proceeding was heard on (date): at (time	ne): in Dept.:
F	Room: by judicial officer <i>(name):</i>	,
2 T	his order expires on <i>(date):</i> . If no date is listed, this order	r remains in effect until further court order.
	o terminate, courts must use <i>Notice of Termination of Protective Order in Crimin</i>	
3. 🗆	Defendant was personally served with a copy of this order at the court heari	- '
J	order is required.	ng, and no additional proof of service of this
4. <b>N</b>	o firearms (guns), firearm parts, or ammunition	
	The defendant must not own, possess, buy or try to buy, receive or try to receive	eive, or in any other way get any firearms (guns),
	firearm parts (meaning receivers, frames, or any item that may be used as or	
	Code section 16531), or ammunition. Possession of firearms, firearm parts, o	
	subject the defendant to state or federal prosecution and may include jail or p	
b.	The court has granted a limited exception to allow firearms or ammunition form CR-850.	on for work only. See detailed orders on attached
5.	Relinquishment of prohibited items	
a.		
	gun dealer, any firearms, firearm parts, and ammunition owned by the defend	
	possession or control. Within 48 hours of receiving this order the defendant m firearms, firearm parts, and ammunition have been turned in, sold, or stored.	lust lile a receipt with the court showing that all
b		
D.	The court linus that the defendant has the following prohibited items.	
	(1) Firearms and/or firearm parts	
	Description (include serial	
	number, if known) Location, if kno	Proof of compliance
	Location, il kilo	
	(a)	(date):
	(b)	(date):
	(2) Ammunition	
		Proof of compliance
	Description Amount, if known Locat	tion, if known received by the court
		(date):
	Check here to list additional items. List them on a separate piece of pap Items" at the top, and attach it to this form.	per, write "Restrained Person Has Prohibited
C.		(dept.): to determine whether the
J.	defendant has properly turned in, sold, or stored all prohibited, including	
	527.9; Pen. Code, § 18120.5.) If the defendant does not attend the review	ew hearing, the court may find that the defendant
	has violated the protective order and notify law enforcement and a pros	ecuting attorney of the violation.

		CR-10
D	EFENDANT:	CASE NUMBER:
6.	Noncompliance with surrendering prohibited items	
	a. The court finds that the defendant has not fully complied with the orders previously court has not received a receipt or proof of compliance for all the items listed in ite	
	b. The court will immediately notify the following law enforcement agency of this agencies):	violation (law enforcement agency or
	c. The court will immediately notify the following prosecuting agency of this viola	ation (prosecuting agency):
7.	<b>No body armor</b> The defendant must not own, possess, or buy any body armor (defined in Penal Code any body armor in their possession.	e section 16288). Defendant must relinquish

## **NOTICES**

(SIGNATURE OF JUDICIAL OFFICER)

- This order is effective as of the date it was issued by the judicial officer and expires as ordered in item 2.
- This order is to be used ONLY when the court orders firearms relinquishment but does not make any other protective or restraining orders. Do NOT use in conjunction with other criminal protective orders (form CR-160 or CR-161).

Executed on: \_

(DATE)

C	R-800 Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, and	Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.
ord crii	Ammunition  s form provides information for a restrained person/defendant who is ered to turn in firearms, firearm parts, and ammunition under a minal protective order (form CR-160 or CR-161) or Order to Surrender earms in Domestic Violence Case (form CR-162).	03/18/2025 DRAFT Not approved by
1	Protected Person: Name:	the Judicial Council
2	Restrained Person / Defendant a. Name:	Fill in court name and street address:  Superior Court of California, County of
	Lawyer (if you have one for this case):  Name: State Bar No.:  Firm Name:	
	b. 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.)	Court fills in case number when form is filed.  Case Number:
	Address:  State: Zip: Telephone:	City:
3	Email Address:  To the Restrained Person:  If a judge has ordered you to turn in, sell, or store your firearms (guns), fir receivers, frames, or any item that may be used as or easily turned into a re 16531)—use this form to prove to the judge that you have obeyed their ord officer or a licensed gun dealer to complete 4 or 5. For more informatic read form CR-800-INFO, How Do I Turn In, Sell, or Store My Firearms, It	eceiver or frame (see Penal Code section ders. Take this form to a law enforcement on on how to properly turn in your items,
4	Complete the section below. Keep a copy and give the original to the per Name of Law Enforcement Agency:  Name of Law Enforcement Agent:	
	Address:	

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_ a.m. \_\_ p.m.

Telephone number:

a. Firearms, firearm parts, and ammunition transferred on:

**Items Surrendered** 

Email address:

			Case Nu	ımber:	_	
4		To Law Enf	orcement			
	<ul> <li>b. List of items. (List all the itenagency (e.g., a property report</li> <li>Separate form is attached.</li> </ul>	ns surrendered by the pert), use <b>6</b> , or both.) Ch	erson in 2. You may attacheck below if you have atta	ched a sep	arate form	n:
	•				_	,
	I declare under penalty of perjurtrue and correct.	y under the laws of the S	State of California that the	informatio	n above i	S
	Signature of law enforcement ag	gent				
<b>(5)</b>		To Licensed	Gun Dealer			
	(Complete the section below. Keep			)		
	Name of Licensed Gun Dealer:					
	License number:					
	Address:					
	Telephone number:	Em	ail address:			
	Items Stored or Sold					
	a. Firearms, firearm parts, and a Date:		on:			
b. List of items. (List all the items surrendered by the person in 2). You Department of Justice's Report of Firearm Acquisition), use 6, or bo a separate form:						
	☐ Separate form is attached. (If it does not include all surrendered items, list additional items in <b>6</b> .)					
	I declare under penalty of perjury true and correct.	y under the laws of the S	tate of California that the i	information	n above is	5
Signature of licensed gun dealer						
6 List of Items Surrendered  a. Firearms and firearm parts  Social Number						
						To be
	Make	Model	Serial Number, if there is one	Sold	Stored	destroyed
(	(1)					
	(2)					
	(3)					
(	(4)					
(	(5)					

b. Ammunition				
Brand	Type	Amount	Sold	To be Stored destroyed
	Type			
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(5)				
(6)				
☐ Check here if there is not enoug items "CR-800, item 6" at the t	gh space above for your o	answer. Use a separate s		per to list other
7) To the Restrained Perso	on:			
Besides the items listed on page parts, or ammunition?	ge 2 or in an attached for	m, do you have or own a	any other fi	rearms (guns), firearm
☐ No				
☐ Yes (If yes, check one of the	ne boxes below:)			
a.   I filed a Receipt for Fi items with the court o	rearms, Firearm Parts, c	and Ammunition (form C		-
b. I am filing the proof	for those firearms (guns)			
c.   I have not yet filed the	e proof for the other firea	arms (guns), firearm part	s, or ammu	unition. (Explain why not):
Your signature				
I declare under penalty of perj	um under the lowe of the	State of Colifornia that	the inform	ation above is true and
correct.	ary under the laws of the	e State of Camorina that	the inform	ation above is true and
Date:				
Type or print your name				

- After the form is complete, make two additional copies. Take the copies and original to the court clerk to file.
- Keep a copy for yourself.

Note that failure to file a receipt with the court is a violation of the court's order.

Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, and Ammunition

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**Case Number:** 

# CR-800-INFO How Do I Turn In, Sell, or Store My Firearms, Firearm Parts, and Ammunition?

This form provides information for a restrained person/defendant who is ordered to turn in firearms, firearm parts, and ammunition under a criminal protective order (form CR-160 or CR-161) or *Order to Surrender Firearms in Domestic Violence Case* (form CR-162).

## What 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 own:

- Firearms, including any handgun, rifle, shotgun, and assault weapon;
- Firearm parts, includes receivers, frames, and any item that may be used as or easily turned into a receiver or frame (also called "ghost guns"); and
- Ammunition, including bullets, shells, cartridges, and clips.

# 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 for safekeeping or to destroy,

or

• A licensed gun dealer, who can buy or store your firearms. If you have firearm parts or ammunition, call ahead for more information.

## When do I turn in, sell, or store prohibited items?

In most cases, within 24 hours of being served with the protective order. Check the protective order or court order for further details.

## Can I give my prohibited items to family or friends?

No, only to law enforcement or a licensed gun dealer. You cannot give your prohibited items to a family member, friend, or anyone else.

## Do I have to pay a fee to store prohibited items?

You may have to pay a fee. Contact law enforcement or a licensed gun dealer about fees and whether they have space to store your items.

## How do I take prohibited items to law enforcement?

Call your local law enforcement agency to ask about their procedures. They will give you specific instructions, like making sure your firearms are unloaded and in the trunk of the car. Take a copy of the protective order or court order with you. *Do not* bring your firearms to court.

# If I turn in my firearms to law enforcement, how long will they keep them?

It depends. There are procedures for getting your firearms back after a protective order or court order expires. Ask the law enforcement agency.

# After I give my firearms to law enforcement, can I change my mind?

Yes. You are allowed to make one sale through a licensed gun dealer. To do this, a licensed 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 firearms you are selling.

# How do I prove to the judge that I have complied with (obeyed) the orders?

- 1 Bring a copy of form CR-800, *Receipt for Firearms, Firearm Parts, and Ammunition*, with you, and ask the dealer or officer to complete and sign the form.
- 2 File form CR-800 with the court. Make sure you get two copies. All receipts must be filed with the court within 48 hours from the time you were served with the protective order or court order, unless the judge gave you another deadline.

**CR-830** 

# Noncompliance With Firearms and Ammunition Order

## **CONFIDENTIAL**

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Case Number:
a case involving domestic violence.  by must take all actions necessary to
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Trearm parts, or ammunition in
n CR-161)
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		Case Number:
<b>4</b> ) c. [	☐ Notice to Prosecuting Agency (name of agency):	
$\smile$	The person listed in 2 is subject to a criminal protection Notice is provided under Code of Civil Procedure section	
5 Numbe	er of pages attached to this form, if any:	
Judge's Si	ignature	
<b>D</b> .		
Date:		Judge or Judicial Officer
	—Clerk's Certificate-	<u></u>
[seal]	I certify that I am not a party to this case and that a true <i>Ammunition Order</i> (form CR-830), was sent to the ager	copy of Noncompliance with Firearms and
	a.   Law enforcement agency listed in (check	<i>k one</i> ): item □ 3b or □ 4b
	<ul> <li>(1)  by fax, email, or other electronic mean</li> <li>(2) (Phone number, email address, or address)</li> </ul>	
	(3) Date of transmission or delivery:	
	b.   Prosecuting agency listed in (check one	): item □ 3c or □ 4c
	<ul> <li>(1) □ by fax, email, or other electronic mean</li> <li>(2) (Phone number, email address, or address)</li> </ul>	* *
	(3) Date of transmission or delivery:	
	Date: Clerk, by _	, Deputy

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**Noncompliance With Firearms and Ammunition Order** (Criminal Protective Order)

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CR-840 Prohibited	tems Finding a	ınd Orders	Clerk stamp	s date here when form is filed.
Protected Person Name:				03/19/2025 DRAFT Not approved by the Judicial Council
Restrained Person/Defendan	t			
a. Name:				name and street address:  Court of California, County of
Penal Code section 136.2.				
			Court fills in	case number when form is filed.
Restrained Person Has Pi		•••	Case Nur	nber:
The court has found that you have the a. Firearms and/or firearm parts		I items:  Location, if k		Proof of compliance
Description (include serial numb (1)	· /		iiowii	received by the court
(1)				(date): (date):
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			Case Number:
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)□ Noti	ce of Compliar	nce Hearing	
To the p	person in ②:		
The restra	ained person must	attend the court hearing lis	sted below to prove that all prohibited items have been
			son does not attend the hearing listed below, the court ma
	the restrained persons of the violation.	on has violated the protecti	ve order and notify law enforcement and a prosecuting
attorney c	of the violation.		
			Name and address of court, if different from the
	D .	D .	listed above:
	Date:	Dept.:	
	Time:	Room:	
)	trained Persor	n Has Not Complied \	With Surrendering Prohibited Items
a. The c	ourt finds that you	have not fully complied w	rith (obeyed) the orders previously granted on
	•	• •	a receipt or proof of compliance for all the items listed in
			1 1 1
	y Law Enforcemen		
THE	ourt will illillediat	ery nourly the following fa-	w enforcement agency of this violation (name of agency)
-	y Prosecutor		
		ely notify the following pr	osecuting agency of this violation
(prose	ecuting agency):		
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e:			Judge or Judicial Officer
		This is	a Court Order.
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(Criminal Protective Order)
For your protection and privacy, please press the Clear
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**Clear this form** 

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CR-160 CR-161  $\square$  CR-162  $\square$  Other: **Court Findings** The court finds that the restrained person/defendant (name): Is required to carry a specific firearm or ammunition during scheduled work hours as a condition of their continued employment. Cannot be reassigned by their employer to another position where having a firearm or ammunition is not needed. Is not otherwise prohibited from having firearms or ammunition under state of federal law. Does not pose an additional threat of harm to any protected person or the public by having access to a specific firearm or ammunition. ☐ Is a sworn peace officer and: (1) The court ordered and reviewed a completed psychological evaluation of the restrained person by a licensed mental health professional with domestic violence expertise; and (2) The personal safety of the restrained person depends on their ability to carry a specific firearm or ammunition outside of scheduled work hours.  $\square$  Is not a sworn peace officer and (check (1) or (2)): (1) The court did not order the restrained person to complete a psychological evaluation. (2) 

The court ordered and reviewed a completed psychological evaluation of the restrained person by a

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licensed mental health professional with domestic violence expertise.

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2	Court	Order

a.	The restrained person is <i>(check one)</i> :					
	(1) Not a sworn peace officer and may h	ave the items listed in 2b only	during scheduled work hours.			
	(2) A sworn peace officer and (check on	(2) A sworn peace officer and (check one):				
	(A) May have the items listed in 2b while on duty.					
	(B) $\square$ May have the items listed in 2b while on or off duty.					
b.	b. This restraining order does not require the re listed below:	strained person to relinquish th	e specific firearm or ammunition			
	☐ Firearm (make):(	model):	(serial no.):			
	Ammunition (description):					
c.	c. The court orders listed above only apply to the	his restraining order. If you are	prohibited from having firearms or			

ammunition by another order or law, you may be in violation of state or federal law.

This is a Court Order.