Getting Started

Order for Support

IMPORTANT: This getting started guide and the instructions are not legal advice. They are only meant to help you learn how to get an order for child support or maintenance. Your use of the forms does not guarantee you will be successful in court.

To learn how to fill out the forms and file them with the court, read the *HOW TO GET AN ORDER FOR SUPPORT* instruction sheet and the instructions on the forms.

Name of the forms:	• *Order for Support* • *Support Information Sheet* • *Income Withholding for Support* • *Letter to Employer* (if needed)
Purpose of the forms:	To get an order for payment of support and enforce that order by having the support withheld from the wages of the person ordered to pay.
Types of cases the forms CAN be used for:	Any case in which there is a child support or maintenance order (also known as alimony).
Types of cases the forms CANNOT be used for:	The *Income Withholding for Support* form cannot be used in cases involving maintenance only.
Special information or papers needed to complete the forms:	1. The social security numbers of you and the other parent/party(if available); 2. The names and birth dates of any children that will be covered by the *Order of Support*; 3. Your name, address, telephone number, email and fax number (if you have one); 4. The name, address, telephone number, email and fax number (if they have one) of the other parent/party; 5. The name, address, and phone number of your employer; 6. The name, address, and phone number of the other party; 7. The amount of child support to be paid (this will be on the *Order for Support*); 8. The amount of maintenance to be paid (this will be on the *Order for Support*); 9. The Remittance ID for the county in which the support order was entered (these are available on the instructions for completing the *Income Withholding for Support*); AND 10. The number of your court case (this will be on the *Order for Support*).
Statutes covering the forms:	(750 ILCS 5/) Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act
For more information:	Read the *HOW TO GET AN ORDER FOR SUPPORT* instructions that come with the form. You may also find more information and resources at the courthouse or by going to illinoislegalaid.org.

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