

Form E

(Financial statement for a financial order or for financial relief
after an overseas divorce or dissolution etc)

Notes for guidance

About these notes:

- They explain some of the terms used in Form E that may be unfamiliar to you.
- The most important notes are in **bold**. Please do not ignore them.
- There is also a checklist in Form E to tell you which documents you will need to attach to the form.

These notes are only a guide to help you complete Form E. If you require further help you should speak to a solicitor, Citizens Advice Bureau, legal advice centre or law centre. Public funding of your legal costs may be available from the Community Legal Service Fund.

Please note, while court staff will help on procedural matters, they cannot offer any legal advice.

Introduction

If you or your spouse/civil partner apply to the court for a financial order or financial relief, both you and the other person **must** complete a separate Form E.

The purpose of the form is to enable you to provide the court with full details of your financial arrangements.

You must send your completed Form E to the court and a copy to the other party, no later than 35 days before the date of the First Appointment. The date of the First Appointment can be found on Form C (Notice of a first appointment) which will be sent to you by the court.

You should be aware that the court might make an order for costs against you if you do not follow the deadlines for filing Form E.

If you and the other person have agreed about the financial matters there is no need for either of you to complete a Form E. Your agreement (sometimes known as a consent application) should be submitted to the Court prior to the First Appointment.

You should ensure that any documents relevant to this application are attached to Form E.