

## Index of Standard Clauses for Orders in the Supreme Court (Family Division)

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The Supreme Court of Nova Scotia (Family Division) has developed an index of standard clauses to help court staff, counsel, and self-represented litigants draft Court Orders for proceedings in the Family Division.

The new document includes guidance on formatting of Orders, styles of cause, suggested language, Order templates, and other useful information specific to many different types of family law cases heard in the Supreme Court (Family Division).

The index of standard clauses is available online here.

Counsel and individuals representing themselves on family law matters are encouraged to review and use the index when drafting Orders in the Supreme Court (Family Division). This will help ensure clear and consistent language in Court Orders and should also help reduce instances where individuals are asked to redraft Orders to clarify clauses, which can delay the resolution of legal matters for the parties.

Questions about information in the index should be directed to staff at the courthouse where your matter is filed. Contact information for all courthouses is available online <a href="here">here</a>.