

Early Intervention Process

COCA application filed

Registry Triage and Case Management

Urgent Track
L4C to be appointed

Standard Track

L4C appointed if defence filed or prior cause shown
Refer parties to Parenting through Separation

CHAMBERS

For confirmation, or otherwise, of entry into Urgent Track and for Judge to give standard directions

COUNSELLING

MEDIATION
Counsel or Judge - led

Judicial conference

Within 14 weeks of placement on track

R175 Judicial conference

- Standard memoranda issues filed
 - To include specific care and contact proposals
 - With reference to rr 175D and 175E
- Parties must be present
- Explore settlement including engagement with parties
- Give detailed directions for hearing
- Determine any contested directions
- Direct any specialist reports, commensurate with contested issues
- If s133/132 Report directed, issues for report writer to be set by Judge

Judicial conference

Within 14 days of Chambers directions

r175 J/C (15 mins) within 14 days of confirmation into Urgent Track

- All parties to file memoranda as to issues
- For focused directions for urgent hearing or transfer to standard track

Hearing

Within 42 days of Judicial Conference

Half day conventional/defended short cause hearing

- Including consolidated defended domestic violence proceedings if required
- At conclusion give focussed directions for progression of proceedings

Hearing

Half day hearing

Within 2-4 weeks of r 175 Judicial Conference

Complex hearing

Case exits Early Intervention Process

Case may transfer back to Standard Track at any point

within 14 days

within 56 days

6 weeks

12 weeks

14 weeks