From 6 April 2022, divorce laws are changing.

The New (no fault) Divorce Process Timeline.



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from 6 April 2022

Introducing the option to divorce together under a joint application <u>and</u> removing the possibility for one spouse to contest the decision to divorce.

FINAL ORDER 6 WEEK WAIT The legal document that ends your After the CONDITIONAL marriage. It was conditional **ORDER** previously called a order, you need Decree Absolute. to wait six weeks This stage says and one day (a **20 WEEK** the court sees cooling off REFLECTION no reason why period) before Step 5 you cannot your Final Order. An opportunity divorce. It was **APPLICATION** to reflect on your previously called decision and Step 4 a Decree Nisi. Prepare and work through submit your any child or Step 3 divorce financial issues. statement and application. Step 2 Step 1



In most cases, a divorce will not be finalised in less than six months.