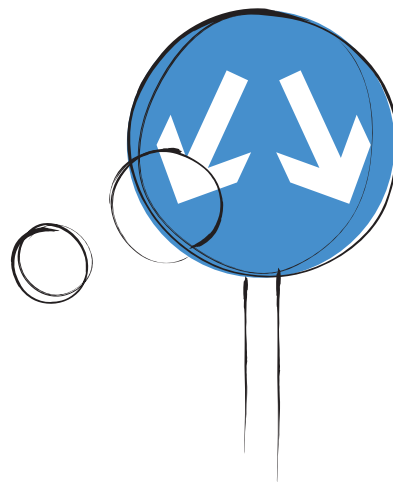


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What is a Child Safety Order?

The Child Safety Order is an order made by the Family Proceedings Court. It is made where worries are growing about a child under ten and staff from the local authority think a court order is needed to change things for the child.

What will it mean?

The court will say exactly what it is worried about and what needs to change. It will say how it wants people to work with you and your family.

The order will have in it things you have to do or not do, such as keep away from certain people or places, go to school or be at home by a certain time.

A worker will meet you regularly to try to help you do what is needed.

What can happen if I don't do what I'm supposed to?

You and your parents can be taken back to court. The court can change what is ordered and in extreme cases could make a care order. This would mean you would have to live away from home, for example in a Children's Home.