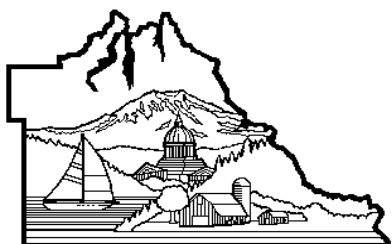


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# **LEGAL SEPARATION**

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- ✓ *There are Dependent Children of this Marriage*
- ✓ *The Parties are NOT Signing the Papers Together*
- ✓ *The Parties may NOT be in Agreement*



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# HOW TO FILE FOR A LEGAL SEPARATION

## CHECKLIST

**Use the forms and instructions in this packet only if the following factors apply to your situation:**

- ✓ You are seeking a legal separation and one or both of the parties resides in Washington State;
- ✓ There are dependent children of this marriage.
- ✓ The parties do NOT agree to all factors involved in the legal separation, i.e., property and debt division, parenting plan, child support, etc.

**If you have no dependent children of this marriage, or your spouse is in agreement with you on the terms of the legal separation, you should not use this packet. Please refer back to the self-help center for a different**

**READ ME:** It is very important for you to know that when you sign a court document, you may be helping or hurting your court case. Before you sign any court document or get involved with a court case, it is important that you carefully read the document to make sure you are doing the right thing. You may also want to contact a lawyer for help with those issues you do not understand. If you need help with the forms, procedures and rules of the court, there is a Family Court Facilitator available to assist you.