

Child Contact Order Evidence Checklist

Your essential preparation guide

Documents You Must Have

Core Requirements

- ☐ Birth certificate (certified copy)
- ☐ MIAM certificate from mediation meeting
- ☐ Any existing court orders
- ☐ Form C100 (your application)

Relationship Evidence ☐ Recent photos with your child (last 6 months, dated)

☐ School reports mentioning your involvement

☐ Cards/letters/drawings from your child

☐ Text/email exchanges (keep appropriate ones only)

Accommodation & Safety ☐ Proof of address (tenancy agreement/mortgage)

☐ Photos of child's bedroom/space at yours

☐ Safety evidence (smoke alarms, child locks if under 5)

Character & Stability ☐ Employment letter (mention flexible hours if available)

☐ 2 character references (from people who've seen you parent)

☐ Bank statements (last 3 months)

☐ Maintenance payment records (if applicable)

What Judges Really Want to See

- Child's needs come first - not your parental rights
- Consistent contact efforts - even when difficult
- Realistic arrangements - that fit around school/activities
- Stability and planning - showing you've thought this through

Don't Make These Mistakes

- X Long complaints about your ex
- X Inconsistent contact without explanation
- X Plans that only suit your schedule
- X Dumping years of old messages on the court

The Hard Truth

Good paperwork gets you heard. **Winning takes more.**

CAFCASS will test your commitment. Judges spot weak cases quickly. The other side's solicitor will find your weak spots.

Professional guidance makes the difference between contact and disappointment.

Free 15-Minute Consultation

Get expert guidance before you start your application.

No obligation strategy call covers:

- ✓ Potential Evidence gaps that could weaken your case
- ✓ What CAFCASS officers typically focus on
- ✓ Your strongest next steps forward

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