

DIVORCE PROCESS

Uncontested Proceedings
(4-6 month process if there are no unforeseen delays)

Petitioner	Respondent	Petitioner	Petitioner	Petitioner
Divorce Petition (£300 court fee)	File acknowledgement of Service	Apply for directions for trial	Decree Nisi is pronounced	Degree Absolute Pronounced (£40 court fee)
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Prove irretrievable breakdown of the marriage by reference to one of 5 facts, as follows: -Adultery -Unreasonable behaviour -2 yrs separation -5 yrs separation Desertion	The respondent must file acknowledgement within 8 days of service confirming intention to defend or otherwise.	Further application is made by the Petitioner accompanied by a sworn confirmatory statement in support of the divorce.	1 st Decree pronounced in open court – no attendance required.	Final Decree dissolving marriage – application can be made 6 weeks and 1 day after pronouncement of Decree Nisi

Estimated costs £1,000 including VAT and court fees.