

What's the minimum wait-period for divorces, once filed?

State	Time to Finalize Divorce
Alabama	<p>30-60 days</p> <p>You must wait 30 days after filing to finalize your divorce. Also, neither spouse is allowed to remarry except to each other until 60 days after the divorce is finalized.</p>
Alaska	<p>30-60 days</p> <p>You must wait 30 days after filing to finalize your divorce.</p>
Arizona	<p>60-80 days</p> <p>You must wait 60 days after your spouse is served with divorce papers to finalize the divorce.</p>
Arkansas	<p>30-60 days</p>
California	<p>6 months + 1 day</p> <p>You must wait 6 months +1 day after the date your spouse was served with divorce papers to finalize your divorce.</p>
Colorado	<p>90-120 days</p> <p>You must wait 90 days from the date the divorce was filed or the date your spouse was served, whichever comes later, to finalize your divorce.</p>
Connecticut	<p>90-120 days</p> <p>After you file for divorce, the papers are served on your spouse and then returned to the Court. The 90-day waiting period begins to run on the day the papers are returned, also known as the "return date."</p>

Delaware	30-60 days
District of Columbia	45-90 days You must wait 30 days unless you and your spouse file a waiver of the 30-day waiting period.
Florida	30-60 days You must wait 20 days from the date the divorce is filed.
Georgia	30-60 days
Hawaii	30 days
Idaho	30-60 days You must wait 20 days after service on your spouse before the divorce can be finalized.
Illinois	30-60 days
Indiana	60-90 days You must wait 60 days after filing to finalize your divorce.
Iowa	90-120 days You must wait 90 days from the date the non-filing spouse's Acceptance of Service is filed to finalize your divorce.
Kansas	60-90 days You must wait 60 days after filing to finalize your divorce.
Kentucky	60-90 days <i>Without children:</i> You must wait 30 days from the date of filing as long as the 60-day separation requirement is

	<p>met.</p> <p><i>With children:</i> You must wait 60 days from the date of filing even if the separation requirement is already met.</p>
Louisiana	<p>Article 102 Divorce: 180 days (365 with children) plus an additional 20-45 days</p> <p>Article 103 Divorce: 20-45 days</p>
Maine	<p>60-90 days</p> <p>You must wait 60 days after filing for divorce before you can have your divorce hearing.</p>
Maryland	30-60 days
Massachusetts	<p>180 days</p> <p>The hearing date is usually mailed to you 2-4 weeks after filing for divorce. Thirty days after the hearing, a Rule Nisi Divorce Judgment is entered, but the Final Judgment is not signed by the Judge until 90 days after that.</p>
Michigan	<p>60 days/180 days with children</p> <p>You must wait 60 days from the filing date if you have no minor children together. If you have minor children together, you must wait 180 days from the filing date.</p>
Minnesota	30-45 days
Mississippi	<p>60-90 days</p> <p>You must wait 60 days after filing for divorce before you can have your divorce hearing.</p>
Missouri	<p>30-45 days</p> <p>You must wait 30 days from the date the divorce is filed.</p>

Montana	<p>20-30 days</p> <p>You must wait 20 days from the date the divorce was filed to have your divorce hearing.</p>
Nebraska	<p>90 days</p> <p>The judge cannot sign your Decree until 60 days after your spouse is either served or signs a Voluntary Appearance. Then, the divorce is finalized 30 days after the Decree is signed by the judge.</p>
Nevada	<p>14-28 days</p>
New Hampshire	<p>60 days</p> <p>The First Appearance session will usually occur within 30 days of the divorce being filed. The spouses should receive a copy of the Final Decree signed by the judge within 30 days after the First Appearance.</p>
New Jersey	<p>60 days</p> <p>The grounds for no-fault divorce require the couple to experience 180 days of irreconcilable differences before the divorce can be filed.</p>
New Mexico	<p>30 days</p>
New York	<p>30-45 days</p> <p>The grounds for no-fault divorce require that the relationship between the spouses has broken down irretrievably for a period of at least six months before the divorce can be filed.</p>
North Carolina	<p>30-60 days (assuming the one-year separation requirement has been met)</p> <p>The grounds for no-fault divorce require the spouses to be separated for a year before the divorce can be</p>

	finalized. The separation period can begin before the divorce is filed.
North Dakota	30-90 days
Ohio	30-90 days For dissolutions, the final hearing is held between 30 and 90 days after the date the papers were filed. For divorces, the hearing is usually scheduled within the same time frame.
Oklahoma	14 days/90 days with children You must wait 90 days from the date the Respondent's Waiver of Summons and Entry of Appearance is filed if you have minor children together. If you do not have minor children together, there is no mandatory waiting period.
Oregon	45-60 days The 90-day waiting period was abolished in 2012.
Pennsylvania	90-120 days You must wait 90 days from the date the divorce was filed to finalize your divorce.
Rhode Island	150 days The hearing to finalize the divorce cannot be held sooner than 60 days from the date the divorce was filed. The divorce is finalized 90 days after the judge signs the Final Judgment at the hearing.
South Carolina	30-120 days There is a 90-day waiting period after the divorce is filed unless the spouses have already live separate and apart

	without sexual relations for a year before the divorce is filed.
South Dakota	60-90 days There is a 60-day waiting period from the date your spouse is served with divorce papers.
Tennessee	60-90 days The hearing to finalize the divorce must be held at least 60 days from the date the divorce was filed (90 days if there are children).
Texas	61-90 days The hearing to finalize the divorce must be scheduled at least 61 days after the divorce was filed.
Utah	90 days You must wait 90 days from the date the divorce was filed.
Vermont	30 days after the separation requirement is met
Virginia	15-45 days after the separation requirement is met
Washington	90 days You must wait 90 days from the date the divorce was filed to finalize your divorce.
West Virginia	20-30 days The hearing to finalize the divorce must be held no sooner than 20 days and no later than 220 days from the date the divorce was filed.
Wisconsin	120 days

	You must wait 120 days after your spouse is served with divorce papers.
Wyoming	20-30 days You must wait at least 20 days after your spouse has been served with divorce papers before the divorce can be finalized.

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