Originating Summons no.

Date:



SYARIAH COURT

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Dear Sir/Madam

PARENTING PACT PROGRAMME AND ISSUANCE OF DIVORCE CERTIFICATE THROUGH THE SYC PORTAL

Parenting PACT

- As part of supporting your family journey, the Syariah Court provides "Parenting PACT" a one-time group consultation session for divorced parents with children who are below 21 years old. The programme aims to help divorced parents understand the impact of divorce on children, learn co-parenting skills, practise self-care, and gain awareness of the community support resources available.
- 2. Parenting PACT is conducted by our partner, PPIS As-Salaam Family Support Centre. The programme is delivered online every Tuesday and Thursday (except on public holidays) from 3:00pm to 5:00pm and is free-of-charge.

Registration for Parenting PACT

Please register for Parenting PACT with PPIS As-Salaam at 6745 5862. Details on how to join the online session will be provided upon registration.

Issuance of divorce certificate after completing Parenting PACT

Your divorce certificate will be available for download in the SYC Portal in your "Court File" under the "Court Orders" (for cases where the divorce was registered before 18 November 2022) OR "Court Documents" (for cases where the divorce was registered after 1 December 2022) section after the waiting period applicable in your case and after you have completed Parenting PACT. If you are represented by a lawyer in your divorce proceedings, the divorce certificate will be available for download in the SYC Portal to your lawyer. The waiting period is referable to the wife's iddah period and the date of the divorce hearing¹.

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Yours faithfully

MS NORHAFIZAH BTE HASHIM SENIOR MANAGER for REGISTRAR SYARIAH COURT SINGAPORE

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¹ Generally, the waiting period is calculated at 3 calendar months and 10 days from the date the Decree was made (irrospective of whother the wife's iddah period will and before that point of time). If the wife's iddah period has

Frequently Asked Questions

1 What is Parenting PACT about?

The programme will cover your parenting role as well as the needs of your child(ren) after the divorce. This is important as you will continue your role as parents to your child(ren). The counsellors will also provide you with information on resources and support services available in the community. To help you understand how your child(ren) is/are coping with the divorce, the counsellor will administer a questionnaire during the session.

2 How long is the Parenting PACT programme?

The programme will not take longer than two (2) hours. However, if you have questions for the counsellor after the session, you may stay longer.

3 Who will conduct Parenting PACT?

The programme will be conducted by a counsellor from PPIS As-Salaam Family Support Centre. PPIS As-Salaam is one of the **Divorce Support Specialist Agencies (DSSA)** appointed by the Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF). It provides specialised services and programmes for divorcing/divorced families and their children.

4 What if I am unable to attend Parenting PACT?

If you are unable to attend Parenting PACT on the scheduled date due to unforeseen circumstances, please contact PPIS As-Salaam at **6745 5862** to register for the next available session. You cannot appoint someone else to attend the programme on your behalf.

5 Will I be expected to attend Parenting PACT with my ex-spouse?

No. You may choose any of the scheduled slots at your convenience. If you do not wish to attend the programme at the same time as your ex-spouse, please inform PPIS As-Salaam at the time of registration.

6 When can I receive my divorce certificate?

The divorce certificate will be available for download in the SYC Portal in your "Court File" under the "Court Orders" (for cases where the divorce was registered before 18 November 2022) OR "Court Documents" (for cases where the divorce was registered after 1 December 2022) section after the waiting period applicable in your case <u>and after</u> you have completed Parenting PACT. If you are represented by a lawyer in your divorce proceedings, the divorce certificate will be available for download in the SYC Portal to your lawyer. (Note: Generally, the waiting period is calculated at 3 calendar months and 10 days from the date the Decree was made (irrespective of whether the wife's iddah period will end before that point of time). If the wife's iddah period has <u>already</u> expired on the date the Decree was made, or if there is no iddah period, the divorce certificate may be issued within 7 working days from the date the Decree was made.)

7 What happens if I do not attend Parenting PACT?

The contents of Parenting PACT are especially relevant to you as a parent after the divorce and it is important for you to attend in the interest of your child(ren). Attendance at Parenting PACT is a prerequisite before you may obtain your divorce certificate.