

**MATRIMONIAL CAUSES RULES 2023**

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Form 19

ORIGINATING SUMMONS ON GROUND OF WILFUL NEGLECT TO MAINTAIN

*[Heading as in Form 6]*

*(Seal)*

*In the Matter of an Application under section 31 of the Matrimonial Causes Act 1974*

Between Applicant

and Respondent

1 I, [blank], of [blank], the wife [husband] of [blank] of [blank] (hereinafter called the “respondent”) say that the respondent *[in the case of a wife’s application has wilfully neglected to provide [reasonable maintenance for me] or in the case of a husband’s application has wilfully neglected to provide [or make a proper contribution towards] reasonable maintenance [for me] [and] [the child[ren] of our family]].*

2 On the [blank] day of [blank] 20 [blank], I *[in the case of an application by a wife being then [state full name and status before the marriage]]* was lawfully married to the respondent *[in the case of an application by a husband who was then [state respondent’s full name and status before marriage]]* at [blank].

3 There is [are] [no [or state number] children of the family now living] [namely [state the full name (including surname) of each child and his date of birth or, if it be the case, that he is over 18 and, in the case of each minor child over the age of 16 whether, he is, or will be, or if an order or provision were made would be, receiving instruction at an educational establishment or undergoing training for a trade, profession or vocation] who is now residing at [state the place] with [state the person]].

4 There have been no previous proceedings in any court in Bermuda or elsewhere with reference to the marriage [or the children of the family] [or between the applicant and the respondent with reference to any property of either or both of them] *[except state the nature of the proceedings, the date and effect of any order and, in the case of proceedings with reference to the marriage, whether there has been any resumption of cohabitation since the making of the order].*

5 The following are particulars of the wilful neglect *[give particulars adding the name[s] of the child[ren] concerned and in the case of a husband’s application in respect of himself the matters set out in section 31(1)(b)(i) of the Matrimonial Causes Act 1974 on which he relies].*

6 The respondent has not made any payments to me by way of maintenance for myself [or the said child[ren] [except [give particulars]].

7 My means are as follows:—

8 To the best of my knowledge and belief the respondent’s means are as follows:—

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