

*These notes refer to the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (c.33)
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CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004

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Section 162: The period before conditional orders may be made final

297. This section sets the period which must elapse before a dissolution, nullity or presumption of death order may be made final. By *subsection (1)*, the period is 6 weeks from the making of the conditional order. *Subsection (2)* provides that in particular cases the court may reduce the period (this might be relevant, for example, in the case of a deathbed dissolution and formation of a new civil partnership).