

Hague DV Process - Flowchart

1. Hague possibility?

Hague possibility if one or more of the following is true:

- mother lives or has recently lived in a country they were not born in
- they or their partner / ex-partner are citizens of a country they are not living in
- they plan to move to another country with their child / children

No

End

Yes

2. Explain the Hague Convention

Understands, no concerns

End

Continue with usual support

Understands, has concerns

3. Explain defences and relocation options

Understands, no concerns

Understands, has concerns

4. Legal advice required?

No

Continue with usual support. If appropriate, help mother to collate evidence / access expert input to support potential defence

Yes

5. Legal aid required?

Yes

Explore legal aid/ pro bono options e.g. [Law Works](#) (UK), [UK Government](#), [Narkis Golan Initiative](#) (US), [WLSA](#) (Australia)

No

6. Connect mother with Hague lawyer, ideally DV-aware e.g. via [GlobalARRK](#)

Not successful

7. Self-litigation support

Connect mother to court support services and advice, e.g.

- [Support through Court](#) (UK)
- [McKenzie Friend](#) (UK)
- As appropriate help mother to collate evidence / access expert input to support potential defence

Successful

Continue with practical & emotional support as needed