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Cohabitation Rights ^[1]

To Identify your Cohabitation Rights, Contact our Experienced Law Team.



When setting up home with a partner often the last thing on your mind is what will happen if you separate. It is better if agreement can be reached at the start of a relationship, what will happen should you separate?

The law relating to the separation of an unmarried couple, be they in same sex (but registered) relationships or not, is governed by the Trusts of Land and Appointment of Trustees Act. As more couples choose not to marry the legal and financial issues they face with children, mortgages, pensions, separation and death become ever more important to understand and address. Even though a relationship may be long term and similar in respect to marriage, unmarried couples should be aware that the law treats them very differently from those who are married or in civil partnerships. Despite popular misconception there is no such relationship as "common law" husband or wife.

If at the beginning of a relationship agreement can be reached as to what will happen should the parties separate then this agreement can be embodied into a living together agreement ^[3]. This will set out the parties' intentions with regard to any future separation and will, hopefully, diminish the difficulties which could arise in the future.

The firm offers an affordable service where we will prepare a document that meets your specific and individual requirements. This will deal with all relevant issues in the event of a relationship breakdown avoiding the need to resort to costly court action.

If a relationship breaks down and you have not regulated the arrangement under a living together agreement we are able to advise in a practical and sensible manner, hopefully allowing for the separation to be dealt with as amicably as possible. Should negotiations not prove to be successful the firm is able to advise on the prospects of success in dealing with the case through the courts and thereafter if necessary, represent you in any proceedings.

Are you looking for advice on Cohabitation Rights? Call our experienced team today on 0121 746 3360 to arrange an appointment or [complete our online contact form](#) [2].

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[1] <https://www.sydney Mitchell.co.uk/services-individuals/family-law/cohabitation-rights-and-agreement>

[2] <https://www.sydney Mitchell.co.uk/contact>

[3] <https://www.sydney Mitchell.co.uk/services-individuals/family-law/living-together>