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## Cal Code Civ Proc § 2033.250

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### § 2033.250. Time for service of response; Unlawful detainer actions

(a) Within 30 days after service of requests for admission, the party to whom the requests are directed shall serve the original of the response to them on the requesting party, and a copy of the response on all other parties who have appeared, unless on motion of the requesting party the court has shortened the time for response, or unless on motion of the responding party the court has extended the time for response.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), in an unlawful detainer action or other proceeding under Chapter 4 (commencing with [Section 1159](#)) of Title 3 of Part 3, the party to whom the request is directed shall have at least five days from the date of service to respond, unless on motion of the requesting party the court has shortened the time for response, or unless on motion of the responding party the court has extended the time for response.

### History

Added [Stats 2004 ch 182 § 23 \(AB 3081\)](#), operative July 1, 2005. Amended [Stats 2007 ch 113 § 13 \(AB 1126\)](#), effective January 1, 2008.

#### Annotations

#### Notes

**Derivation:**

**Editor's Notes—**

**Amendments:**

**Derivation:**

Former CCP § 2033(h), added Stats 1986 ch 1334 § 2, amended [Stats 1987 ch 86 § 15](#), [Stats 1988 ch 553 § 6](#), ch 575 § 3, [Stats 1991 ch 1090 § 13](#).

**Editor's Notes—**

For notes of decisions derived from cases decided under former CCP § 2033, see [CCP § 2033.010](#).

**Amendments:**

**2007 Amendment:**



## Commentary

### Law Revision Commission Comments:

#### 2004—

[Section 2033.250](#) continues former [Section 2033\(h\)](#) without change.

#### 2007—

[Section 2033.250](#) is amended to improve clarity by separately stating the special deadline for an unlawful detainer case. The amendment also makes clear that the special deadline applies to a proceeding for forcible entry (see [Section 1159](#)) or forcible detainer (see [Section 1160](#)), as well as to an unlawful detainer case. In addition, the amendment eliminates an ambiguity by clearly permitting a court to extend, as well as shorten, the time to respond to requests for admission in an unlawful detainer case.

[Section 2033.250](#) is further amended to make a stylistic revision.

## Research References & Practice Aids

### Treatises:

[Cal. Forms Pleading & Practice \(Matthew Bender\) ch 85 "Automobiles: Discovery"](#).

[Cal. Points & Authorities \(Matthew Bender\) ch 86 "Discovery: Requests For Admissions" § 86.30.](#)

[Cal. Employment Law \(Matthew Bender\), § 61.04.](#)

[Cal. Fam. Law Practice & Procedure \(Matthew Bender\), § 110.14.](#)

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### Hierarchy Notes:

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