# MODIFICATION OF CUSTODY DECREE/PARENTING PLAN

- 1. Confidential Information
  - FL All Family 001
- 2. Summons: Notice about a Petition to Change a Parenting Plan, Res. Schedule, and/or Custody Order
  - FL Modify 600
- Petition to Change a Parenting Plan, Residential Schedule or Custody Order

   FL Modify 601
- 4. Parenting Plan
  - FL All Family 140
- Motion for Adequate Cause Decision (to change a parenting/custody order)
   FL Modify 603
- 6. Washington State Child Support Schedule
- 7. Washington State Child Support Worksheet
- 8. Declaration
  - FL All Family 135
- 9. Proof of Personal Service
  - Fl All Family 101
- 10. Order on Adequate Cause to Change a Parenting/Custody Order
  - FL Modify 604
- 11. Final Order and Findings on Petition to Change a Parenting Plan, Residential Schedule or Custody Order
  - FL Modify 610
- 12. Child Support Order
  - Fl All Family 130
- 13. Sealed Financial Source Documents (Cover Sheet)
  - FL All Family 011
- 14. Notice of Hearing of Motion Family Law Calendar
- 15. Motion to Finalize Minor Modification of Parenting Plan
- 16. Family Law/Paternity Motion Status Report
- 17. GR 34 Waiver of Civil Filing Fee and Surcharges Instruction Sheet
  - Provided by the Clerk's Office (Room 300)

# MAJOR MODIFICATION OF PARENTING PLAN/RESIDENTIAL SCHEDULE

(Changes the parent with whom the child(ren) reside)

## SPOKANE COUNTY FAMILY COURT FACILITATOR

#### Checklist of Steps to Complete:

\_\_\_\_\_1. Fill out the following papers completely and sign. Print clearly in black ink or type:

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- Summons: Notice about Petition to Change a Parenting Plan, Residential Schedule, or Custody Order (FL Modify 600)
- () Petition to Change a Parenting Plan, Residential Schedule, or Custody Order (FL Modify 601)
- () Parenting Plan (Proposed) (FL All Family 140)
- () Declaration of (name) (FL All Family 135)
- () Motion for Adequate Cause Decision (to change a parenting/custody order) (FL Modify 603)
- ( ) Child Support Worksheets (WSCSS-WORKSHEETS) (https://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/dcs/SSGen/Home)
- Notice of Hearing of Family Law Motion Calendar (<u>http://www.spokanecounty.org/DocumentCenter/Home/View/3627</u>)

The case number and caption box (names of parties) should be the same as the original dissolution or paternity action unless it is from another county or out of Washington State.

2. Choose your hearing date:

(You must schedule any hearings before the Commissioner assigned your case. To determine if your case has been assigned to a Court Commissioner and/or to determine which day your assigned Commissioner is scheduled to hear motions, please see the Court's web page:

http://wa-spokanecounty.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/4266

**OR** call the Superior Court Clerk's Office at 509-477-2211.)

<u>Choose a hearing date which will allow the responding party appropriate time to</u> respond: If the other parent is personally served in Washington, he/she has **20** days in which to respond. If the other parent is personally served outside of Washington, he/she has **60** days in which to respond.

If the other parent is <u>served by certified mail</u>, he/she has **90** days in which to respond. (*Permission must be obtained from the Court to serve by mail*.)

Make two (2) sets of copies of each of the above documents - one for you and one to be served on the other parent. File the original documents in the Clerk's Office - Room 300, Third Floor of the Courthouse, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. You will be charged a filing fee of \$56 for modification of an order from Spokane County, and \$260 for modification of an order from outside of Washington State.

NOTE: If you are attempting to modify an out of county or out of state order, you will need to obtain a certified copy of the parenting plan from the originating county.

3. Serve other parent with copies of documents:

**THE PERSON WHO SERVES THE OTHER PARENT <u>MUST BE SOMEONE OTHER</u> <u>THAN YOU, OVER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS</u>. That person must complete the** *Proof of Personal Service***, sign it and give it back to you. Make one copy for your records and FILE THE ORIGINAL WITH THE CLERK'S OFFICE, Room 300 of the Spokane County Courthouse, between the hours of 8:30 a.m., - 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m., - 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.** 

4. The party seeking Adequate Cause <u>must call in the case</u> as "ready," <u>three court days</u> prior to the hearing, using the Family Law Coordinator's Office main line of 509-477-5702 extension 0, or by emailing <u>familylaw@spokanecounty.org</u>, and provide a copy of the signed mandatory local form Family Law/Paternity Motion Status Report.

https://www.spokanecounty.org/DocumentCenter/View/3675/Family-Law-Paternity-Motion-Status-Report-PDF

#### Please see the court's local rules:

https://www.spokanecounty.org/DocumentCenter/View/34440/2020-Local-Court-Rules-Effective-912020?bidId

5. Attend your scheduled hearing for Adequate Cause.

Be prepared to tell the Court why the change in the parenting plan is necessary and why it is in the child(ren)'s best interest to adopt a new parenting plan/residential schedule.

If you are participating in the hearing via Zoom, instructions can be found on the Superior Court's website at:

https://www.spokanecounty.org/DocumentCenter/View/33364/Participant-Instructionsfor-Zoom---Family-Law

After the hearing, complete the Order on Adequate Cause to Change a *Parenting/Custody Order* (**FL Modify 604**) and follow the judicial officer's instructions on submitting the order.

After the Order on Adequate Cause has been signed, deliver a copy of the Order on Adequate Cause to Change a Parenting/Custody Order, to the Family Law Coordinator, Room 200. Your case will then be assigned to a trial judge. Notice of your Status Conference date will be mailed to you from the trial department.

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# MINOR MODIFICATION OF PARENTING PLAN

## (Adjustment - Only Changes Visitation Schedule)

## SPOKANE COUNTY FAMILY COURT FACILITATOR: INSTRUCTION

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If an agreement on the modification cannot be reached, you must schedule your case for a final modification hearing.

To do this, obtain the *Motion to Finalize Minor Modification*:

http://www.spokanecounty.org/DocumentCenter/Home/View/8951

along with a Notice of Hearing on Family Law Calendar:

(http://www.spokanecounty.org/DocumentCenter/Home/View/3627).

You must choose a date that is appropriate for your matter according to your assigned Commissioner's docket day. The date must be at least 14 days from the date of service on the other party, not including the date of service.

\_\_\_\_\_6. Trial:

On the day scheduled for trial, go to the assigned Courtroom. Bring your proposed final *Parenting Plan* (**FL All Family 140**) and *Final Order and Findings on Petition to Change a Parenting Plan, Residential Schedule, or Custody Order* (**FL Modify 610**), as well as all the documents you and the opposing parent filed, for reference.

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<b>Confidential Information</b> (CIF)
Clerk: Do <u>not</u> file in a public access file
Superior Court of Washington,
County:
Case No.:

**Important!** Only court staff and some state agencies may see this form. The other party and their lawyer may **not** see this form unless a court order allows it. State agencies may disclose the information in this form according to their own rules.

- 1. Who is completing this form? (Name):\_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Does your address information need to be confidential to protect your or your children's health, safety, or liberty? (*Check one*): [] Yes [] No If yes, explain why?
- **4.** Your Information This person is a *(check one):* [] Petitioner [] Respondent Interpreter needed? [] No [] Yes, language:\_\_\_\_\_\_

Full name (first, middle, last):		Da	Date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY):     Sex:	
Driver's license/Identicard (No., state): Race:		Re	Relationship to children in this case:	
Mailing address (This address will <b>not</b> be kept private.) (street address			P.O. box, city, state zip):	
Email:		Pł	hone:	

5. Other Party's Information – This person is a (check one): [] Petitioner [] Respondent Interpreter needed? [] No [] Yes, language:\_\_\_\_\_\_

Full name (first, middle, last):		Date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY): Sex:		
Driver's license/Identicard (No., state): Race:		Relationship to children in this case:		
Mailing address (This address will <b>not</b> be kept private.) (street address or PO box, city, state zip):				
Email:		Phone:		

Home address (check one): [] same as mailing address [] listed below (street, city, state, zip):				
Social Sec. No:				
Employer's name:	Employer's phone:			
Employer's address:				

#### > Skip sections **6–9** if your case does <u>not</u> involve children. Sign at the end.

# **6.** Children's Information (You do not have to fill out the children's Social Security numbers if your case is only about a protection order.)

Child's full name (first, middle, last)	Date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	Race	Sex	Soc. Sec. No.	Current location: lives with
1.					[] You [] other party:
2.					[] You [] other party:
3.					[] You [] other party:
4.					[ ] You [ ] other party:

# 7. Have the children lived with anyone other than you or the other party during the last 5 years? (*Check one*): [] No [] Yes. If yes, fill out below:

Children lived with (name)	That person's <b>current</b> address
1.	
2.	

# 8. Do other people (not parents) have custody or visitation rights to the children? (*Check one*): [] No [] Yes. If yes, fill out below:

Person with rights <i>(name)</i>	That person's <b>current</b> address
1.	
2.	

I declare under penalty of perjury under Washington State law that the information on this form about me is true. The information about the other party is the best information I have or is unavailable because *(explain)*:\_\_\_\_\_\_

[] Check here if you need more space to list other Petitioners, Respondents, or children. Put that information on the *Attachment to Confidential Information*, form FL All Family 002, and attach it to this form.

Signed at (city and state):\_\_\_\_\_

Date:

Petitioner/Respondent signs here

Print name here

Superior Court of Washington,	County of
In re: Petitioner/s <i>(as listed on the Petition)</i> :	No
And Respondent/s (as listed on the Petition):	Summons: Notice about Changing a Parenting Plan or Custody Order (SM)

# Summons: Notice about Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order

**To**: \_

(name/s of the party/parties who did **not** file this Summons and Petition)

*Important!* The person filing this Summons *must* complete the address boxes below. If the person filing this Summons does not give a service address and the court's address, *this Summons will be invalid*.

[] Person filing this Summons [] Lawyer (name):

Address for Service: (This does not have to be a home address.)

You may **only** serve by email if an email address is provided below or the person filing this Summons otherwise agrees in writing. See *All Civil 006 Agreement re: Service by Email.* 

[] Email *(optional)* – The person filing this Summons agrees to accept service of legal papers for this case at this email address:

Superior Court of Washington, County of

Court's Address:

The person filing this *Summons* and *Petition* asked the court to change a *Parenting Plan*, *Residential Schedule*, or custody order. You <u>must</u> respond in writing for the court to consider your side.

**Deadline!** Your *Response* must be served on the other party within **20 days** of the date you were served this *Summons* (60 days if you were served outside of Washington State). If the case has been filed in court, you must also file your *Response* by the same deadline.

If you do not file and serve your *Response* or a *Notice of Appearance* by the deadline:

- No one has to notify you about other hearings in this case, and
- The court may approve the requests in the *Petition* without hearing your side. (This is called a *default judgment*.)

**Lawyer not required.** It is a good idea to talk to a lawyer, but you may file and serve your *Response* without one.

### Follow these steps:

- 1. **Read** the *Petition* and any other documents you receive with this *Summons*. These documents explain what the other party is asking for.
- **2. Fill out** the *Response to Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Residential Schedule* (FL Modify 602).

You can get the *Response* and other forms at:

- The Washington State Courts' website: www.courts.wa.gov/forms
- Washington LawHelp: www.washingtonlawhelp.org, or
- The Superior Court Clerk's office or county law library (for a fee).
- 3. Serve (give) a copy of your *Response* to the person who filed this Summons at their service address listed on page 1. 4. File your original *Response* with the clerk of the court at the court's filing address listed on page 1. 5. Adequate Cause: Before the court will have a full hearing or trial about the *Petition*, one of the parties must ask the court to decide whether there are valid reasons to allow the case to move forward (adequate cause). If there are no valid reasons, the court will dismiss the *Petition*. Either party can file a *Motion for Adequate Cause Decision* (form FL Modify 603).

Signature of person filing this Summons **or** lawyer

Date

Print name of person filing this Summons **or** lawyer and WSBA No.

*If there is no "Case No." listed on page 1,* this case may not have been filed and you will not be able to file a Response. Contact the Superior Court Clerk or check <u>www.courts.wa.gov</u> to find out.

If the case was **not** filed, you must still serve your Response, and you may demand that the other party file this case with the court. Your demand must be in writing and must be served on the other party or their lawyer (whoever signed this Summons). If the other party does not file papers for this case within 14 days of being served with your demand, this service on you of the Summons and Petition will not be valid. If the other party does file, then you must file your original Response with the court clerk at the address above. This summons is issued pursuant to RCW 4.28.180 and Superior Court Civil Rule 4.1 of the State of

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## Superior Court of Washington, County of

In re:

Petitioner/s (see \* below):

And Respondent/s (other party/parties):

Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Other Custody Order

No. \_\_\_\_\_

(PTMD)

## Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Other Custody Order

\*If you're filing this Petition in:

- the same case number as the current parenting/custody order, the person who is listed as the Petitioner in the current order will stay Petitioner, even if s/he is not the person asking for the change now.
- a *different* case number or county from where the current parenting/custody order was issued, the person asking for the change may be the Petitioner.

To modify a parenting/custody order from a sealed Parentage case, contact the Superior Court Clerk's office about who to list as Petitioner and if there is a new case number.

Do not use this form if you want to terminate or change a non-parent custody order. Use form GDN M 502 instead.

#### Who is asking to change the parenting/custody order? 1.

(Name):

(state): I live in (county):

#### 2. Who is the other parent involved in this case?

(Name): \_\_\_\_\_

who lives in (county): \_\_\_\_\_\_ (state): \_\_\_\_\_

#### Who are the children involved in this case? 3.

Child's name	Age	Child's name	Age
1.		2.	
3.		4.	
5.		6.	

#### 4. Describe the parenting/custody order you have now:

My current parenting/custody order is a (check one):

[] Parenting Plan [] Residential Schedule

date

- [] Final Parentage Order
- [] Other (title of order): \_\_\_\_\_

signed by a court on \_\_\_\_

county and state

*Important!* Attach or file a certified copy of the current parenting/custody order that you want to change **if** it was issued in a different county or state.

in \_\_\_\_

#### 5. Explain why you are filing your request for change with this court:

I ask the court to make the changes requested in sections **6** through **12** below, and to approve my proposed *Parenting Plan* or *Residential Schedule* that is filed with this *Petition*. This *Petition* shows that I have valid reasons to ask for these changes. The changes are in the children's best interest.

I am filing this Petition in this county court because (check all that apply):

- [] I live in this county.
- [] the children live in this county.
- [] the other parent lives in this county.
- [] the parenting/custody order that I want to change is from this county.

**Note** – If you need more space to explain in any of the sections below, you may add more pages to this Petition. Number, date, and sign each page that you add.

#### 6. Request for major change (*RCW* 26.09.260(1) and (2)).

- [] No request.
- [] I ask the court to make a major change in the parenting schedule or to change the person the child lives with most of the time. The situation of the children or the *other* parent has changed substantially.

#### **Reason for major change** (check all that apply):

**Note** – Your reasons must be based on information that you learned about **after** the current parenting/custody order was issued, or if the order was uncontested (issued by default or agreement), your reasons may be based on information that was unknown to the court when the order was issued.

- [] the other parent and I agree with the changes asked for in my proposed *Parenting Plan* or *Residential Schedule*.
- [] the children are living in my home now with the other parent's permission. This is very different than what was ordered in the current order.

Explain:

[] the children's current living situation is harmful to their physical, mental, or emotional health. It would be better for the children if the order is changed.

Explain: [] the other parent has not followed the court's order. A court found they are in contempt for disobeying the parenting schedule more than once in 3 years, or they are guilty of custodial interference in the first or second degree. (RCW 9A.40.060 or 9A.40.070) Explain:

Include any limitations requested under RCW 26.09.191 in your proposed *Parenting Plan or Residential Schedule.* 

#### 7. Request for minor change (*RCW* 26.09.260(5), (7), and (9)).

- [] No request.
- [] I ask the court to adjust the parenting schedule, but **not** change the person the child lives with most of the time. The situation of the children or a parent has changed substantially.

Reason for minor change (check all that apply):

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- [] the current parenting/custody order is difficult to follow because the parent who has less residential time with the children has moved.
- [] the current parenting/custody order is difficult to follow because one parent's work schedule changed and the change was not by their choice.
- [] the requested change will affect the children's schedule on fewer than 25 full days a year.
- [] the requested change will impact the children's schedule on more than 24 full days, but fewer than 90 overnights a year. This change is needed because the current parenting/custody order does not give the children a reasonable amount of time with one parent and it's in the children's best interest to have more than 24 full days of increased time with that parent.

#### Are there any limitations on the parent whose time would be increased?

- [] **No.** The current parenting/custody order does **not** limit that parent's time with the children because of abandonment, abuse, domestic violence, sex offense, or other serious problems.
- [] **Yes.** That parent's time with the children is limited because of problems listed in the current parenting/custody order. I ask the court to allow that parent more parenting time with the children because the problems that caused the limitations have changed substantially.

Explain:

# Has the parent whose time would be increased completed any required evaluations, treatment, or classes?

- [] **Does not apply.** The current parenting/custody order does **not** require that parent to complete any evaluations, treatment, or classes.
- [] **Yes.** That parent has completed all court-ordered evaluations, treatment, or classes.

List completed evaluations, treatment, or classes here:

# 8. Request for restrictions on the parent with less parenting time (*RCW* 26.09.260(4) and (8)).

- [] No request.
- [] **Limit** The children already live with me the majority of the time. To protect the children, I ask the court to limit the other parent's parenting time and participation. The reasons for limitation are listed in my proposed *Parenting Plan* or *Residential Schedule*. (*RCW* 26.09.260(4))
- [] **Adjust** The other parent is allowed some parenting time in the current parenting/custody order. But that parent has chosen not to spend any of their parenting time with the children for at least 1 year. I ask the court to adjust the parenting time for the other parent as shown in my proposed *Parenting Plan* or *Residential Schedule. (RCW 26.09.260(8))*

#### 9. Request for other changes (*RCW* 26.09.260(10)).

- [] No request.
- [] Because of a substantial change in one parent's/child's situation, I ask the court to adjust the following (check all that apply):
  - [] dispute resolution
  - [] decision-making
  - [] transportation arrangements
  - [] other (specify):

Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **10.** Child Support (*RCW* 26.09.170).

- [] No request. I am not asking the court to adjust or change child support.
- [] My request to change the parenting schedule affects child support because:
  - I'm asking to change the parent the children live with most of the time, or
  - I'm asking for a substantial change in the amount of time the children spend with the parent who pays child support.

If the court makes my requested changes, I also ask the court to set or change child support. I will file a *Financial Declaration* and proposed *Child Support Worksheets*.

**Warning!** If the court does not change the parenting/custody order, your request to change child support may be denied. If you have other reasons to change child support, you may file separate forms to make that request (use form FL Modify 501 or 521).

#### 11. Protection Order

Do you want the court to issue a Protection Order as part of the final orders in this case?

- [] No. I do not want a *Protection Order*.
- [] **Yes.** (You must file a Petition for Protection Order, form P 001. You may file your Petition for Protection Order using the same case number assigned to this case.)

*Important!* If you need protection *now*, ask the court clerk about getting a Temporary Protection Order.

[ ] There already is a *Protection Order* between (name): \_\_\_\_\_\_ and me.

Court that issued the order:

Case number:

Expiration date:

#### 12. Restraining Order

Do you want the court to issue a Restraining Order as part of the final orders in this case?

- [] **No.** (*Skip to* **13**.)
- [] **Yes.** Check the type of orders you want:
  - [] **Do not disturb** Order (*name/s*) \_\_\_\_\_\_ not to disturb my peace or the peace of any child listed in **3**.
  - [] **Stay away** Order (*name/s*) \_\_\_\_\_\_ not to go onto the grounds of or enter my home, workplace, vehicle or school, and the daycare or school of any child listed in **3**.
    - [] Also, not knowingly to go or stay within \_\_\_\_\_ feet of my home, workplace, vehicle, or school, or the daycare or school of any child listed in **3**.

#### [] Do not hurt or threaten – Order (name/s)

- Not to assault, harass, stalk or molest me or any child listed in **3**; and
- Not to use, try to use, or threaten to use physical force against me or the children that would reasonably be expected to cause bodily injury.

**Warning!** If the court makes this order, the court must consider if weapons restrictions are required by state law; federal law may also prohibit the Restrained Person from possessing firearms or ammunition.

[] Prohibit weapons and order surrender – Order (name/s)

- Not to access, possess, or obtain any firearms, other dangerous weapons, or concealed pistol licenses until the Order ends, and
- To immediately surrender any firearms, other dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol licenses that they possess to (check one): [] the police chief or sheriff. [] their lawyer. [] other person (name): \_\_\_\_\_.

#### [] Other restraining orders: \_\_\_\_\_

*Important!* If you want a restraining order **now**, you must file a Motion for Temporary Family Law Order and Restraining Order or a Motion for Immediate Restraining Order (Ex Parte).

#### 13. Children's Home/s

During the past 5 years have any of the children lived:

- on an Indian reservation,
- outside Washington state,
- in a foreign country, or
- with anyone who is not a party to this case?
- [] No. (Skip to 14.)

Dates	Children	Lived with	In which state, Indian reservation, or foreign country
From:	[] All children	[] Petitioner [] Respondent	
To:	[] (Name/s):	[] Other <i>(name):</i>	
From:	[] All children	[] Petitioner [] Respondent	
To:	[] ( <i>Name/s</i> ):	[] Other <i>(name):</i>	
From:	[] All children	[] Petitioner [] Respondent	
To:	[] ( <i>Name/s</i> ):	[] Other <i>(name):</i>	
From:	[] All children	[] Petitioner [] Respondent	
To:	[] (Name/s):	[] Other <i>(name):</i>	

Dates	Children	Lived with	In which state, Indian reservation, or foreign country
From:	[] All children	[] Petitioner [] Respondent	
To:	[] ( <i>Name/s</i> ):	[] Other <i>(name):</i>	

### 14. Other people with a legal right to spend time with a child

Do you know of anyone besides the Petitioner and Respondent who has or claims to have a legal right to spend time with a child?

(Check one): [] No. (Skip to 15.) [] Yes. (Fill out below.)

Name of person	Children this person may have the right to spend time with
	[] All children [] ( <i>Name/s):</i>
	[] All children [] ( <i>Name/</i> s):

#### 15. Other court cases involving a child

Do you know of any court cases involving any of the children?

(Check one): [] Yes. (Fill out below.) [] No. (Skip to 16.)

Kind of case (Family Law, Criminal, Protection Order, Juvenile, Dependency, Other)	County and State	Case number and year	Children
			[] All children [] ( <i>Name/s):</i>
			[] All children [] ( <i>Name/s):</i>
			[] All children [] ( <i>Name/s):</i>

#### **16.** Jurisdiction over children (*RCW* 26.27.201–.231, .261, .271)

The court can change a parenting/custody order for the children because (check all that apply; if a box applies to all of the children, you may write "the children" instead of listing names):

- [] **Washington order/exclusive, continuing jurisdiction** The parenting plan/custody order I want to change was made by a Washington State court, and the court still has authority to make orders for *(children's names):*
- [] **Other state's order** The parenting/custody order I want to change was not made by a Washington state court **AND** (*check one*):

- [] A court in the state (or tribe) that made the parenting/custody order has made another order saying that it no longer has jurisdiction **or** that it is better to have this case decided in Washington;
- [] No child, parent, or person acting as a parent still lives in the state (or tribal reservation) that made the order;

#### AND (check one):

- [] **Home state jurisdiction** Washington is the children's home state because (*check all that apply*):
  - [] (Children's names): lived in Washington with a parent or someone acting as a parent for at least the 6 months just before this case was filed or, if the children are less than 6 months old, they have lived in Washington with a parent or someone acting as a parent since birth.
  - [] There were times the children were not in Washington in the 6 months just before this case was filed (or since birth if they are less than 6 months old), but those were temporary absences.
  - [] (*Children's names*): \_\_\_\_\_\_ do not live in Washington right now, but Washington was the children's home state sometime in the 6 months just before this case was filed, and a parent or someone acting as a parent of the children still lives in Washington.
  - [] (Children's names): \_\_\_\_\_\_ do not have another home state.
- [] No home state or home state declined No court of any other state (or tribe) has the jurisdiction to make decisions for (children's names) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or a court in the children's home state (or tribe) decided it is better to have this case in Washington, and:

state (or tribe) decided it is better to have this case in washington, and:

- The children and a parent or someone acting as a parent have ties to Washington beyond just living here (significant connection); and
- There is a lot of information (substantial evidence) about the children's care, protection, education, and relationships in this state.
- [] **Temporary emergency jurisdiction** The parenting/custody order I want to change was **not** made by a Washington state court. A Washington court can make decisions for (*children's names*): \_\_\_\_\_\_

because the children are in this state now **and** were abandoned here **or** need emergency protection because the children (or the children's parent, brother, or sister) were abused or threatened with abuse. Washington should take temporary emergency jurisdiction over the children until the Petitioner can get a court order from the state (or tribe) that made the original parenting/custody order.

[] Other reason (specify):

#### 17. Summary of requests

I ask the court to find that I have valid reasons for my *Petition* (adequate cause), and to approve the following orders (*check all that apply*):

[] my proposed Parenting Plan or Residential Schedule [] my proposed *Child Support Order* setting or changing child support according to my proposed plan or schedule [] Protection Order or Restraining Order [ ] other (specify): Person filing this *Petition* fills out below: I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the facts I have provided on this form (including any attachments) are true. [] I have attached (#): pages. Date: \_\_\_\_ Signed at (city and state): Person filing Petition signs here Print name Lawyer (if any) for person filing this *Petition* fills out below: Lawyer signs here Print name and WSBA No. Date *Warning!* Documents filed with the court are available for anyone to see unless they are sealed. Financial, medical, and confidential reports, as described in General Rule 22, **must** be sealed so they can only be seen by the court, the other parties, and the lawyers in your case. Seal those documents by filing them separately, using a Sealed cover sheet (form FL All Family 011, 012, or 013). You may ask for an order to seal other documents. The other parent fills out below if they agree to join this Petition: [] , agree to join this Petition. I I, (name): understand that if I fill out and sign below, the court may approve the requests listed in this Petition including the proposed Parenting Plan unless I file and serve a Response before the court signs final orders. (Check one): [] I do not need to be notified about the court's hearings or decisions in this case. [] The person who filed this *Petition* must notify me about any hearings in this case. (List an address where you agree to accept legal documents. This may be a lawyer's address or any other address.) Street Number or P.O. Box City State Zip (If this address changes before the case ends, you **must** notify all parties and the court clerk in writing. You may use the Notice of Address Change form (FL All Family 120). You must also update your Confidential Information Form (FL All Family 001) if this case involves parentage or child support.) Person joining Petition signs here Print name Date Email:

### Superior Court of Washington, County of \_\_\_\_\_

In re:

Petitioner/s (person/s who started this case):

And Respondent/s (other party/parties):

No.

**Parenting Plan** (PPP/PPT/PP)

Clerk's Action Required: 1

# Parenting Plan

- **1.** This parenting plan is a *(check one):* 
  - [ ] **Proposal** (request) by a parent (*name/s*): \_\_\_\_\_\_ It is not a signed court order. (PPP)
  - [] **Court order** signed by a judge or commissioner. This is a *(check one)*:
    - [] Temporary order. (PPT)
    - [] Final order. (PP)
      - [] This final parenting plan changes the last final parenting plan.
- 2. Children This parenting plan is for the following children:

	Child's name	Age	Child's name	Age
1.			2.	
3.			4.	
5.			6.	

- 3. Reasons for putting limitations on a parent (under RCW 26.09.191)
  - a. Abandonment, neglect, child abuse, domestic violence, assault, or sex offense. (If a parent has any of these problems, the court must limit that parent's contact with the children and that parent's right to make decisions for the children, and may not require dispute resolution other than court.)
    - [] Neither parent has any of these problems. (Skip to 3.b.)

- [] A parent has one or more of these problems as follows (check all that apply):

  - [] **Domestic Violence** (*Parent's name*): \_\_\_\_\_\_ (or someone living in that parent's home) has a history of domestic violence as defined in RCW 7.105.010.
  - [] Assault (Parent's name): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (or someone living in that parent's home) has assaulted or sexually assaulted someone causing grievous physical harm, causing fear of such harm, or resulting in a pregnancy.
  - [] Sex Offense

    - [] Someone living in *(parent's name):* \_\_\_\_\_\_''s home has been convicted as an adult or adjudicated as a juvenile of a sex offense.
- **b.** Other problems that may harm the children's best interests. (If a parent has any of these problems, the court may limit that parent's contact with the children and that parent's right to make decisions for the children.)
  - [] Neither parent has any of these problems. (*Skip to* **4**.)
  - [] A parent has one or more of these problems as follows (check all that apply):

    - [] **Emotional or physical problem** (*Parent's name*): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_has a long-term emotional or physical problem that gets in the way of his/her ability to parent.

    - [] Lack of emotional ties (Parent's name): \_\_\_\_\_\_ has few or no emotional ties with a child listed in **2**.
    - [] Abusive use of conflict (Parent's name): \_\_\_\_\_\_ uses conflict in a way that may cause serious damage to the psychological development of a child listed in 2.

[] Other (specify):

#### 4. Limitations on a parent

- [] Does not apply. There are no reasons for limitations checked in **3.a. or 3.b.** above. *(Skip to 5.)*
- [] **No limitations despite reasons** (*explain why there are no limitations on a parent even though there are reasons for limitations checked in* **3.a. or 3.b.** *above*):
- [] **The following limits or conditions apply to** (parent's name): \_\_\_\_\_\_(check all that apply):
  - [] No contact with the children.
  - [] Limited contact as shown in the Parenting Time Schedule (sections 8 11) below.
  - [] Limited contact as follows (specify schedule, list all contact **here** instead of in the *Parenting Time Schedule*): \_\_\_\_\_
  - [] **Supervised contact.** All parenting time shall be supervised. Any costs of supervision must be paid by *(name)*:

The supervisor shall be:

- [] a professional supervisor (name): \_\_\_\_\_\_
- [ ] a non-professional supervisor *(name)*: \_\_\_\_\_\_

The dates and times of supervised contact will be:

- [] as shown in the Parenting Time Schedule (sections 8 11) below.
- [] as follows *(specify)*: \_\_\_\_\_

(Specific rules for supervision, if any):

[] Other limitations or conditions during parenting time (specify):

[ ] Evaluation or treatment required. (Name): \_\_\_\_\_\_ must:

[ ] be evaluated for:

- [] start (or continue) and comply with treatment:
  - [] as recommended by the evaluation.
  - [] as follows (specify kind of treatment and any other details):

[] provide a copy of the evaluation and compliance reports (specify details):

If this parent does not follow the evaluation or treatment requirements above, then *(what happens):* \_\_\_\_\_\_

#### 5. Decision-making

When the children are with you, you are responsible for them. You can make day-today decisions for the children when they are with you, including decisions about safety and emergency healthcare. Major decisions must be made as follows:

#### a. Who can make major decisions about the children?

Type of Major Decision	Joint (parents make these decisions together)	Limited (only the parent named below has authority to make these decisions)
School/Educational	[]	[] (Name):
Healthcare (not emergency)	[]	[ ] (Name):
Other:	[]	[ ] (Name):
Other:	[]	[ ] (Name):
Other:	[]	[ ] (Name):

*Important!* Parenting involves decision-making in many areas. If you believe there are other decisions that are important to your family, list them under "Other" above. Some examples include: extracurricular activities, international travel, cell phones, driver's licenses, tattoos, and haircuts.

#### b. Reasons for limits on major decision-making, if any:

- [] There are no reasons to limit major decision-making.
- [] Major decision-making **must** be limited because one of the parents has problems as described in **3.a.** above.
- [] Major decision-making **should** be limited because (check all that apply):
  - [] Both parents are against shared decision-making.
  - [] One of the parents does not want to share decision-making and this is reasonable because of:
    - [] problems as described in **3.b.** above.
    - [] the history of each parent's participation in decision-making.
    - [] the parents' ability and desire to cooperate with each other in decisionmaking.
    - [] the distance between the parents' homes makes it hard to make timely decisions together.

#### 6. Dispute Resolution

**Important!** After this parenting plan is signed by a judge or commissioner, if you and the other parent disagree about shared decisions or what parts of this plan mean, the court may require you to use a dispute resolution provider before going back to court. The court may only require a dispute resolution provider if there are **no** limitations in **3.a.** above. If a dispute resolution provider is checked below, the parents may, and sometimes must, use this provider before filing a Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or a Motion for Contempt for not following the plan. Check your county's Local Court Rules.

- a. The parents will go to (check one):
  - [] The dispute resolution provider below (before they may go to court):
    - [ ] Mediation (mediator or agency name):
    - [] Arbitration (arbitrator or agency name):
    - [] Counseling (counselor or agency name):

If a dispute resolution provider is not named above or if the named provider is no longer available, the parents may agree on a provider or ask the court to name one.

*Important!* Unless there is an emergency, the parents must participate in the dispute resolution process listed above in good faith, before going to court for disagreements about joint decisions or what parts of this plan mean. This section does **not** apply to disagreements about money or support.

- [] Court (without having to go to mediation, arbitration, or counseling). (If you check this box, skip to section **7** below and do not fill out **6.b.**)
- **b.** If mediation, arbitration, or counseling is required, one parent must notify the other parent by *(check one):* [] certified mail [] other *(specify):* \_\_\_\_\_.

The parents will pay for the mediation, arbitration, or counseling services as follows *(check one):* 

[]	(Name):	 will pay	%,
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(Name): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_will pay \_\_\_\_\_%.

- [] based on each parents' Proportional Share of Income (percentage) from line 6 of the *Child Support Worksheet*.
- [] as decided through the dispute resolution process.

#### What to expect in the dispute resolution process:

- Preference shall be given to carrying out the parenting plan.
- If you reach an agreement, it must be put into writing, signed, and both parents must get a copy.
- If the court finds that you have used or frustrated the dispute resolution process without a good reason, the court can order you to pay financial sanctions (penalties) including the other parent's legal fees.
- You may go back to court if the dispute resolution process doesn't solve the disagreement or if you disagree with the arbitrator's decision.

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#### 7. Custodian

(Washington law generally refers to parenting time and decision-making, rather than custody. However, some state and federal laws require that one person be named the custodian. The custodian is the person with whom the children are scheduled to reside a majority of their time.)

#### > **Parenting Time Schedule** (Residential Provisions)

Check one:

[] **Limited schedule only –** The children live with *(name):* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and have no contact with the other parent except as described in section **4**.

(You may **skip** the parenting time schedule in sections **8** – **11**, unless you want a different Summer or Holiday schedule, including to give uninterrupted time for vacation and holidays to the parent **not** subject to limitations.)

[] **Complete** the parenting time schedule in sections **8 – 11**.

#### 8. School Schedule

#### a. Children under school-age

- [] Does not apply. All children are school-age.
- [] The schedule for children under school-age is the same as for school-age children.
- [] Children under school-age are scheduled to live with (name): \_\_\_\_\_

except when they are scheduled to live with (name): \_\_\_\_\_\_ on (check all that apply):

[] WEEKENDS: [] every week [] every other week [] other (specify):

from (day) \_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.m. to (day) \_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.m. from (day) \_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.m. to (day) \_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.m.

- [] WEEKDAYS: [] every week [] every other week [] other (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_\_ from (*day*) \_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.m. to (*day*) \_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.m. from (*day*) \_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.m. to (*day*) \_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.m.
- [] OTHER (specify):

[] Other (specify):

#### b. School-age children

This schedule will apply (check one):

- [] immediately.
- [] when the youngest child enters (check one): [] Kindergarten [] 1st grade
- [] when the oldest child enters (check one): [] Kindergarten [] 1st grade
- [ ] Other: \_\_\_\_\_

The children are scheduled except when they are sche (check all that apply):					, on
[] WEEKENDS:[]e	very w	/eek [	] every other week [	] other <i>(specify)</i>	):
from <i>(day)</i>	_ at _	:	m. to <i>(day)</i>	at:	m.
from <i>(day)</i>	_at_	:	m. to <i>(day)</i>	at:	m.
[] WEEKDAYS: [] every week [] every other week [] other ( <i>specify):</i>				:	

- from (*day*) \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_.m. to (*day*) \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_.m. from (*day*) \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_.m. to (*day*) \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_.m.
- [ ] OTHER (specify): \_\_\_\_\_\_
- [] Other (specify):

#### 9. Summer Schedule

Summer begins and ends [] according to the school calendar. [] as follows:

- [] The Summer Schedule is the **same** as the School Schedule. (Skip to 10.)
- [] The Summer Schedule is the **same** as the School Schedule **except** that each parent shall spend \_\_\_\_\_\_ weeks of uninterrupted vacation time with the children each summer. The parents shall confirm their vacation schedules in writing by the end of (*date*) \_\_\_\_\_\_ each year. (*Skip to* **10**.)
- [] The Summer Schedule is different than the School Schedule. The Summer Schedule will begin the summer before (check one): [] the youngest child
  [] the oldest child [] each child
  begins (check one): [] Kindergarten [] 1st grade [] Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_
  During the summer the children are scheduled to live with (name): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on (check all that apply):

	[] WEEKENDS: [] every week [] every other week [] other (specify):						
	from (day) atm. to (day) atm						
	from (day) atm. to (day) atm.						
	[] WEEKDAYS: [] every week [] every other week [] other ( <i>specify</i> ):						
	from (day) atm. to (day) atm						
	from (day) atm. to (day) atm.						
	[ ] OTHER (specify):						
10.	Holiday Schedule (includes school breaks and special occasions)						
	[] The Holiday Schedule is the <b>same</b> as the School and Summer Schedules above for all holidays, school breaks, and special occasions. <i>(Skip to 11.)</i>						
	[] The children are scheduled to spend holidays, school breaks, and special occasions as follows: (Check all that apply. Note any differences for children who have not yet started school.)						
	[] Martin Luther King Jr. Day – Begins and ends (day/time):						
	[] Odd years with <i>(name)</i> :; Even years with the other parent.						
	[ ] Every year with <i>(name)</i> :						
	[] With the parent who has the children for the attached weekend.						
	[] Other plan:						
	[] <b>Presidents' Day</b> – Begins and ends ( <i>day/time</i> ):						
	[] Odd years with <i>(name)</i> :; Even years with the other parent.						
	[ ] Every year with <i>(name)</i> :						
	[] With the parent who has the children for the attached weekend.						
	[] Other plan:						
	[] Mid-winter Break – Begins and ends (day/time):						
	[] Odd years with <i>(name)</i> :; Even years with the other parent.						
	[ ] Every year with <i>(name)</i> :						
	[] Each parent has the children for the half of break attached to his/her weekend. The children must be exchanged on Wednesday at <i>(time)</i> :						
	[ ] Other plan:						
	[] Spring Break – Begins and ends (day/time):						
	[] Odd years with <i>(name)</i> :; Even years with the other parent.						
	[] Every year with <i>(name)</i> :						
	[ ] Each parent has the children for the half of break attached to his/her weekend. The children must be exchanged on Wednesday at <i>(time)</i> :						
	[ ] Other plan:						

[] Mother's Day – Begins and ends (day/time):	
[ ] Odd years with <i>(name</i> ):	; Even years with the other parent.
[] Every year with <i>(name)</i> :	
[] Other plan:	
[] Memorial Day – Begins and ends (day/time)	
[ ] Odd years with <i>(name)</i> :	; Even years with the other parent.
[] Every year with <i>(name)</i> :	
[ ] With the parent who has the children for t	he attached weekend.
[ ] Other plan:	
[] Father's Day – Begins and ends (day/time):	
[ ] Odd years with <i>(name</i> ):	; Even years with the other parent.
[] Every year with <i>(name)</i> :	
[ ] Other plan:	
[] Fourth of July – Begins and ends (day/time)	:
[ ] Odd years with <i>(name</i> ):	; Even years with the other parent.
[] Every year with <i>(name)</i> :	_
[] Follow the Summer Schedule in section 9	).
[ ] Other plan:	
[] Labor Day – Begins and ends (day/time):	
[ ] Odd years with <i>(name)</i> :	; Even years with the other parent.
[] Every year with <i>(name)</i> :	
[ ] With the parent who has the children for t	he attached weekend.
[ ] Other plan:	
[] Thanksgiving Day/Break – Begins and ends	s (day/time):
[ ] Odd years with <i>(name)</i> :	; Even years with the other parent.
[] Every year with <i>(name)</i> :	
[ ] Other plan:	
[] Winter Break – Begins and ends (day/time):	
[] Odd years with <i>(name)</i> :	; Even years with the other parent.
[] Every year with <i>(name)</i> :	
[ ] Other plan:	

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[] Odd years with (name): \_\_\_\_\_; Even years with the other parent.

- [] Every year with (name): \_\_\_\_\_
- [] Follow the Winter Break schedule above.
- [ ] Other plan: \_\_\_\_\_

[] New Year's Eve/Day – Begins and ends (*day/time*): \_\_\_\_\_\_(odd/even is based on New Year's Eve)

- [] Odd years with (name): \_\_\_\_\_; Even years with the other parent.
- [] Every year with (name): \_\_\_\_\_
- [] Follow the Winter Break schedule above.
- [] Other plan:

#### [] All three-day weekends not listed elsewhere

(Federal holidays, school in-service days, etc.)

- [] The children shall spend any unspecified holiday or non-school day with the parent who has them for the attached weekend.
- [] Other plan: \_\_\_\_\_

*Important!* Families in Washington observe a broad range of religions and traditions. Your Parenting Plan can provide for how children will spend time on other significant days. (Examples: Eid, Passover, Easter, Chinese New Year, birthdays, etc.) Add lines as needed.

#### [ ] Other occasion important to the family:

- [] Begins and ends (day/time):
- [] Odd years with (name): \_\_\_\_\_; Even years with the other parent.
- [] Every year with (name): \_\_\_\_\_
- [ ] Other plan: \_\_\_\_\_

#### [] Other occasion important to the family:

- [] Begins and ends (day/time): \_\_\_\_\_
- [] Odd years with (name): \_\_\_\_\_; Even years with the other parent.
- [] Every year with *(name)*:
- [] Other plan: \_\_\_\_\_

#### [] Other occasion important to the family: \_\_\_\_\_

- [] Begins and ends (day/time): \_\_\_\_\_
- [] Odd years with *(name)*: \_\_\_\_\_; Even years with the other parent.
- [] Every year with *(name)*: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other plan:

#### 11. Conflicts in Scheduling

The Holiday Schedule must be observed over all other schedules. If there are conflicts within the Holiday Schedule (*check all that apply*):

- [] Named holidays shall be followed before school breaks.
- [] Children's birthday/s shall be followed before named holidays and school breaks.
- [] Other (*specify*): \_\_\_\_\_

#### 12. Transportation Arrangements

The children will be exchanged for parenting time (picked up and dropped off) at:

- [] each parent's home
- [] school or daycare, when in session
- [] other location (specify):

Who is responsible for arranging transportation?

- [] The **picking up** parent The parent who is about to **start** parenting time with the children must arrange to have the children picked up.
- [] The **dropping off** parent The parent whose parenting time is **ending** must arrange to have the children dropped off.

Other details (if any):

#### 13. Moving with the Child/ren (Relocation)

Anyone with majority or substantially equal residential time (at least 45 percent) who wants to move with the children **<u>must notify</u>** every other person who has court-ordered time with the children.

#### Move to a <u>different</u> school district

If the move is to a different school district, the relocating person must complete the form *Notice of Intent to Move with Children* (FL Relocate 701) and deliver it at least **60 days** before the intended move.

#### Exceptions:

- If the relocating person could not reasonably have known enough information to complete the form in time to give 60 days' notice, they must give notice within 5 days after learning the information.
- If the relocating person is relocating to a domestic violence shelter or moving to avoid a clear, immediate, and unreasonable risk to health or safety, notice may be delayed **21 days**.
- If information is protected under a court order or the address confidentiality program, it may be withheld from the notice.
- A relocating person who believes that giving notice would put themself or a child at unreasonable risk of harm, may ask the court for permission to leave things out of the notice or to be allowed to move without giving notice. Use form *Motion to Limit Notice of Intent to Move with Children (Ex Parte)* (FL Relocate 702).

The *Notice of Intent to Move with Children* can be delivered by having someone personally serve the other party or by any form of mail that requires a return receipt.

If the relocating person wants to change the *Parenting Plan* because of the move, they must deliver a proposed *Parenting Plan* together with the *Notice*.

### Move within the <u>same</u> school district

If the move is within the *same* school district, the relocating person still has to let the other parent know. However, the notice does not have to be served personally or by mail with a return receipt. Notice to the other party can be made in any reasonable way. No specific form is required.

### Warning! If you do not notify...

A relocating person who does not give the required notice may be found in contempt of court. If that happens, the court can impose sanctions. Sanctions can include requiring the relocating person to bring the children back if the move has already happened, and ordering the relocating person to pay the other side's costs and lawyer's fees.

### Right to object

A person who has court-ordered time with the children can object to a move to a different school district and/or to the relocating person's proposed *Parenting Plan*. If the move is within the same school district, the other party doesn't have the right to object to the move, but they may ask to change the *Parenting Plan* if there are adequate reasons under the modification law (RCW 26.09.260).

An objection is made by filing the *Objection about Moving with Children and Petition about Changing a Parenting/Custody Order (Relocation)* (form FL Relocate 721). File your *Objection* with the court and serve a copy on the relocating person and anyone else who has court-ordered time with the children. Service of the *Objection* must be by personal service or by mailing a copy to each person by any form of mail that requires a return receipt. The *Objection* must be filed and served no later than **30 days** after the *Notice of Intent to Move with Children* was received.

### Right to move

During the 30 days after the *Notice* was served, the relocating person may not move to a different school district with the children unless they have a court order allowing the move.

After the 30 days, if no *Objection* is filed, the relocating person may move with the children without getting a court order allowing the move.

After the 30 days, if an *Objection* has been filed, the relocating person may move with the children **pending** the final hearing on the *Objection* **unless**:

- The other party gets a court order saying the children cannot move, or
- The other party has scheduled a hearing to take place no more than 15 days after the date the *Objection* was served on the relocating person. (However, the relocating person may ask the court for an order allowing the move even though a hearing is pending if the relocating person believes that they or a child is at unreasonable risk of harm.)

The court may make a different decision about the move at a final hearing on the *Objection*.

### Parenting Plan after move

If the relocating person served a proposed *Parenting Plan* with the *Notice*, **and** if no *Objection* is filed within 30 days after the *Notice* was served (or if the parties agree):

- Both parties may follow that proposed plan without being held in contempt of the Parenting Plan that was in place before the move. However, the proposed plan cannot be enforced by contempt unless it has been approved by a court.
- Either party may ask the court to approve the proposed plan. Use form *Ex Parte* Motion for Final Order Changing Parenting Plan – No Objection to Moving with Children (FL Relocate 706).

#### Forms

You can find forms about moving with children at:

- The Washington State Courts' website: www.courts.wa.gov/forms,
- Washington LawHelp: www.washingtonlawhelp.org, or
- The Superior Court Clerk's office or county law library (for a fee).

(This is a summary of the law. The complete law is in RCW 26.09.430 through 26.09.480.)

#### 14. Other

#### 15. Proposal

- [] Does not apply. This is a court order.
- [] This is a **proposed** (requested) parenting plan. (*The parent/s requesting this plan must read and sign below.*)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that this plan was proposed in good faith and that the information in section **3** above is true.

Parent requesting plan signs here

Signed at (city and state)

Other parent requesting plan (if agreed) signs here Signed at (city and state)

#### 16. Court Order

[] Does not apply. This is a proposal.

[] This is a court order (if signed by a judge or commissioner below).

**Findings of Fact** – Based on the pleadings and any other evidence considered:

The Court adopts the statements in section **3** (*Reasons for putting limitations on a parent*) as its findings.

- [] The Court makes additional findings which are:
  - [] contained in an order or findings of fact entered at the same time as this *Parenting Plan*.
  - [] attached as Exhibit A as part of this *Parenting Plan*.
  - [ ] other: \_\_\_\_

**Conclusions of Law** – This *Parenting Plan* is in the best interest of the children.

[ ] Other: \_\_\_\_

**Order** – The parties must follow this *Parenting Plan*.

Date

Judge or Commissioner signs here

*Warning!* If you do not follow this *Parenting Plan*, the court may find you in contempt (RCW 26.09.160). You still have to follow this *Parenting Plan* even if the other parent doesn't. Violation of **residential** provisions of this order with actual knowledge of its terms is punishable by contempt of court and may be a criminal offense under RCW 9A.40.060(2) or 9A.40.070(2). Violation of this order may subject a violator to arrest.

#### If this is a court order, the parties and/or their lawyers (and any GAL) sign below.

This order (check any that ap	pply):	This order (check any that	apply):	
[] is an agreement of the part	rties.	[] is an agreement of the	parties.	
[] is presented by me.		[] is presented by me.		
[] may be signed by the cou	rt without notice to me.	[] may be signed by the court without notice to me.		
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Petitioner <b>or</b> lawyer signs here + WSBA #		Respondent <b>or</b> lawyer signs here + WSBA #		
Print Name	Date	Print Name	Date	

This order <i>(check any that apply):</i> [] is an agreement of the parties. [] is presented by me. [] may be signed by the court without notice to be	<ul> <li>This order (check any that apply):</li> <li>[] is an agreement of the parties.</li> <li>[] is presented by me.</li> <li>[] may be signed by the court without notice to me.</li> </ul>	
Other party or lawyer signs here + WSBA #	Other party or Guardian ad Litem signs here	
Print Name Date	Print Name Date	

### Superior Court of Washington, County of \_\_\_\_\_

In re:

Petitioner/s (as listed on the Petition):

No. \_\_\_\_\_

And Respondent/s (as listed on the Petition):

Motion for Adequate Cause Decision (to change a parenting order) (MACD)

## Motion for Adequate Cause Decision (to change a parenting/custody order)

### To both parties:

**Deadline!** Your papers must be filed and served by the deadline in your county's Local Court Rules, or by the State Court Rules if there is no local rule. Court Rules and forms are available online at <u>www.courts.wa.gov</u>.

If you want the court to consider your side, you **must**:

- File your original documents with the Superior Court Clerk; AND
- Give the Judge/Commissioner a copy of your papers (if required by your county's Local Court Rules); AND
- Have a copy of your papers served on all other parties or their lawyers; AND
- Go to the hearing.

The court may not allow you to testify at the motion hearing. Read your county's Local Court Rules, if any. Bring proposed orders to the hearing.

### To the person filing this motion:

You must schedule a hearing on this motion. You may use the *Notice of Hearing* (form FL All Family 185) unless your county's Local Court Rules require a different form. Contact the court for scheduling information.

### To the person receiving this motion:

If you do not agree with the requests in this motion, file a statement (using form FL All Family 135, *Declaration*) explaining why the court should not approve those requests. You may file other written proof supporting your side.

### 1. Request

My name is \_\_\_\_\_

. (Check one):

[] I **filed** a *Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order*. I ask the court to find adequate cause (valid reasons) and allow my case to move forward.

[] I **received** a *Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order*. I ask the court to find **no** adequate cause (no valid reasons) and dismiss the *Petition*, ending the case.

### 2. Service of Summons and Petition

- [] Does not apply. This motion is brought by the party who received the *Petition*.
- [] The other party (check all that apply):
  - [] was or will be served with the *Summons* and *Petition* for this case by:
    - [] personal service in Washington state.
    - [] personal service outside of Washington state.
    - [] publication.
    - [] mail.
  - [] waived service by joining the Petition and
    - [] does not need to be notified about the court's hearings or decisions in this case.
    - [] must be notified about the court's hearing or decisions in this case.

### 3. Reason for request

k.

This request is based on the *Petition*, any *Response*, and the following other documents (if any) filed separately and served on all parties:

- [] My Declaration (form FL All Family 135)
- [] Declaration/s of (name/s):
- [] Other documents (list):

### Person making this motion or his/her lawyer fills out below:

Person making this motion <b>or</b> lawyer signs here		ere	Date	_
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Print name (if lawyer, also list W	SDA NU.)			
I agree to accept legal papers fo	r this case at	(check one):		
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(If this address changes before the case ends, you **must** notify all parties and the court clerk in writing. You may use the Notice of Address Change form (FL All Family 120). You must also update your Confidential Information form (FL All Family 001) if this case involves parentage or child support.)

	Superior Court of Washingto	on, County of
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And Respondent/s (other party/parties):		<ul> <li>Declaration of (name):</li></ul>
1.	I am <i>(age):</i> years old and I am t	he <i>(check one):</i> Petitioner Respondent
		this case):
2.	l declare:	

(Number any pages yo	u attach to this Declaration. Page limits may apply.)
	er the laws of the state of Washington that the facts I have ments) are true. I have attached <i>(number):</i> pages.
Signed at (city and state):	Date:
Sign here	Print name

*Warning!* Documents filed with the court are available for anyone to see unless they are sealed. Financial, medical, and confidential reports, as described in General Rule 22, **must** be sealed so they can only be seen by the court, the other party, and the lawyers in your case. Seal those documents by filing them separately, using a *Sealed* cover sheet (form FL All Family 011, 012, or 013). You may ask for an order to seal other documents

## WASHINGTON STATE CHILD SUPPORT SCHEDULE

Including:

- Definitions and Standards
- Instructions
- Economic Table
- Worksheets

Effective Dates:

Definitions & Standards Instructions - only Economic Table Worksheets January 1, 2023 January 1, 2023 January 1, 2019 January 1, 2023



Internet--download forms:

http://www.courts.wa.gov/

Child Support Hotline, State DSHS, 1 (800) 442-KIDS

## WASHINGTON STATE CHILD SUPPORT SCHEDULE DEFINITIONS AND STANDARDS

### Definitions

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, these definitions apply to the standards following this section. RCW 26.19.011.

**Basic child support obligation**: means the monthly child support obligation determined from the economic table based on the parties' combined monthly net income and the number of children for whom support is owed.

Child support schedule: means the standards, economic table, worksheets and instructions, as defined in chapter 26.19 RCW.

**Court**: means a superior court judge, court commissioner, and presiding and reviewing officers who administratively determine or enforce child support orders.

**Deviation**: means a child support amount that differs from the standard calculation.

**Economic table**: means the child support table for the basic support obligation provided in RCW 26.19.020.

**Full-time**: means the customary number of maximum, non-overtime hours worked in an individual's historical occupation, industry, and labor market. "Full-time" does not necessarily mean hours per week.

**Instructions**: means the instructions developed by the Administrative Office of the Courts pursuant to RCW 26.19.050 for use in completing the worksheets.

**Standards**: means the standards for determination of child support as provided in chapter 26.19 RCW.

**Standard calculation**: means the presumptive amount of child support owed as determined from the child support schedule before the court considers any reasons for deviation.

**Support transfer payment**: means the amount of money the court orders one parent to pay to another parent or custodian for child support after determination of the standard calculation and deviations. If certain expenses or credits are expected to fluctuate and the order states a formula or percentage to determine the additional amount or credit on an ongoing basis, the term "support transfer payment" does not mean the additional amount or credit.

**Worksheets**: means the forms developed by the Administrative Office of the Courts pursuant to RCW 26.19.050 for use in determining the amount of child support.

### **Application Standards**

1. **Application of the support schedule**: The child support schedule shall be applied:

- a. in each county of the state;
- in judicial and administrative proceedings under titles 13, 26 and 74 RCW;
- c. in all proceedings in which child support is determined or modified;
- d. in setting temporary and permanent support;
- e. in automatic modification provisions or decrees entered pursuant to RCW 26.09.100; and
- f. in addition to proceedings in which child support is determined for minors, to adult children who are dependent on their parents and for whom support is ordered pursuant to RCW 26.09.100.

The provisions of RCW 26.19 for determining child support and reasons for deviation from the standard calculation shall be applied in the same manner by the court, presiding officers and reviewing officers. RCW 26.19.035(1).

- 2. Written findings of fact supported by the evidence: An order for child support shall be supported by written findings of fact upon which the support determination is based and shall include reasons for any deviation from the standard calculation and reasons for denial of a party's request for deviation from the standard calculation. RCW 26.19.035(2).
- 3. **Completion of worksheets**: Worksheets in the form developed by the Administrative Office of the Courts shall be completed under penalty of perjury and filed in every proceeding in which child support is determined. The court shall not accept incomplete worksheets or worksheets that vary from the worksheets developed by the Administrative Office of the Courts. RCW 26.19.035(3).
- 4. **Court review of the worksheets and order**: The court shall review the worksheets and the order setting child support for the adequacy of the reasons set forth for any deviation or denial of any request for deviation and for the adequacy of the amount of support ordered. Each order shall state the amount of child support calculated using the standard calculation and the amount of child support actually ordered. Worksheets shall be attached to the decree or order or if filed separately, shall be initialed or signed by the judge and filed with the order. RCW 26.19.035(4).

### **Income Standards**

1. **Consideration of all income**: All income and resources of each parent's household shall be disclosed and considered by the court when the court determines the child support obligation of each parent. Only the income of the parents of the children whose support is at issue shall be calculated for purposes of calculating the basic support obligation. Income and resources of any other person shall not be included in calculating the basic support obligation. RCW 26.19.071(1).

2. Verification of income: Tax returns for the preceding two years and current paystubs shall be provided to verify income and deductions. Other sufficient verification shall be required for income and deductions which do not appear on tax returns or paystubs. RCW 26.19.071(2).

3. Income sources included in gross monthly income: Monthly gross income shall include income from any source, including: salaries; wages; commissions; deferred compensation; overtime, except as excluded from income in RCW 26.19.071(4)(h); contract-related benefits; income from second jobs except as excluded from income in RCW 26.19.071(4)(h); dividends; interest; trust income; severance pay; annuities; capital gains; pension retirement benefits; workers' compensation; unemployment benefits; disability insurance benefits; and income from self-employment, rent, royalties, contracts, proprietorship of a business, or joint ownership of a partnership or closely held corporation. RCW 26.19.071(3).

Veterans' disability pensions: Veterans' disability pensions or regular compensation for disability incurred in or aggravated by service in the United States armed forces paid by the Veterans' Administration shall be disclosed to the court. The court may consider either type of compensation as disposable income for purposes of calculating the child support obligation. See RCW 26.19.045.

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4. Income sources excluded from gross monthly income: The following income and resources shall be disclosed but shall not be included in gross income: income of a new spouse or domestic partner or income of other adults in the household; child support received from other relationships; gifts and prizes; temporary assistance for needy families (TANF); Supplemental Security Income; general assistance; food stamps; and overtime or income from second jobs beyond forty hours per week averaged over a twelve-month period worked to provide for a current family's needs, to retire past relationship debts, or to retire child support debt, when the court finds the income will cease when the party has paid off their debts. Receipt of income and resources from temporary assistance for needy families, Supplemental Security Income, general assistance and food stamps shall not be a reason to deviate from the standard calculation. RCW 26.19.071(4).

> VA aid and attendant care: Aid and attendant care payments to prevent hospitalization paid by the Veterans Administration solely to provide physical home care for a disabled veteran, and special compensation paid under 38 U.S.C. Sec. 314(k) through (r) to provide either special care or special aids, or both to assist with routine daily functions shall be disclosed. The court may not include either aid or attendant care or special medical compensation payments in gross income for purposes of calculating the child support obligation or for purposes of deviating from the standard calculation. See RCW 26.19.045.

> **Other aid and attendant care**: Payments from any source, other than veterans' aid and attendance allowance or special medical compensation paid under 38 U.S.C. Sec. 314(k) through (r) for services provided by an attendant in case of a disability when the disability necessitates the hiring of the services or an attendant shall be disclosed but shall not be included in gross income and shall not be a reason to deviate from the standard calculation. RCW 26.19.055.

5. Determination of net income: The following expenses shall be disclosed and deducted from gross monthly income to calculate net monthly income: federal and state income taxes (see the following paragraph); federal insurance contributions act deductions (FICA); mandatory pension plan payments; mandatory union or professional dues; state industrial insurance premiums; court-ordered maintenance to the extent actually paid; up to \$5,000 per year in voluntary retirement contributions actually made if the contributions show a pattern of contributions during the one-year period preceding the action establishing the child support order unless there is a determination that the contributions were made for the purpose of reducing child support; and normal business expenses and self-employment taxes for self-employed persons. Justification shall be required for any business expense deduction about which there is a disagreement. Items deducted from gross income shall not be a reason to deviate from the standard calculation. RCW 26.19.071(5).

> Allocation of tax exemptions: The parties may agree which parent is entitled to claim the child or children as dependents for federal income tax exemptions. The court may award the exemption or exemptions and order a party to sign the federal income tax dependency exemption waiver. The court may divide the exemptions between the parties, alternate the exemptions between the parties or both. RCW 26.19.100.

Imputation of income: The court shall impute income to a parent when the parent is voluntarily unemployed or voluntarily underemployed. The court shall determine whether the parent is voluntarily underemployed or voluntarily unemployed based upon that parent's assets, residence, employment and earnings history, job skills, educational attainment, literacy, health and age, criminal record, dependency court obligations, and other employment barriers, record of seeking work, the local job market, the availability of employers willing to hire the parent, the prevailing earnings level in the local community, or any other relevant factors. A court shall not impute income to a parent who is gainfully employed on a full-time basis, unless the court finds that the parent is voluntarily underemployed and finds that the parent is purposely underemployed to reduce the parent's child support obligation. Income shall not be imputed for an unemployable parent. Income shall not be imputed to a parent to the extent the parent is unemployed or significantly underemployed due to the parent's efforts to comply with courtordered reunification efforts under chapter 13.34 RCW or under a voluntary placement agreement with an agency supervising the child. Except as provided below regarding high school students, in the absence of records of a parent's actual earnings, the court shall impute a parent's income in the following order of priority:

- (a) Full-time earnings at the current rate of pay;
- (b) Full-time earnings at the historical rate of pay based on reliable information, such as employment security department data;
- (c) Full-time earnings at a past rate of pay where information is incomplete or sporadic;
- (d) Earnings of 32 hours per week at minimum wage in the jurisdiction where the parent resides if the parent is on temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) now or recently came off TANF or recently came off aged, blind, or disabled assistance benefits, pregnant women assistance benefits, essential needs and housing support, Supplemental Security Income, or disability, has recently been released from incarceration, or is a recent high school graduate. Imputation of earnings at 32 hours per week under this provision is a rebuttable presumption;
- (e) Full-time earnings at minimum wage in the jurisdiction where the parent resides if the parent has a recent history of minimum wage earnings, has never been employed and has no earnings history, or has no significant earnings history;
- (f) Median net monthly income of year-round full-time workers as derived from the United States Census Bureau, current population reports, or such replacement report as published by the Census Bureau. (See "Approximate Median Net Monthly Income" table on page 7.) RCW 26.19.071(6).

When a parent is currently enrolled in high school full-time, the court shall consider the totality of the circumstances of both parents when determining whether each parent is voluntarily unemployed or voluntarily underemployed. If a parent who is currently enrolled in high school is determined to be voluntarily unemployed or voluntarily underemployed, the court shall impute income at earnings of 20 hours per week at minimum wage in the jurisdiction where that parent resides. Imputation of earnings at 20 hours per week under this provision is a rebuttable presumption.

### **Allocation Standards**

1. **Basic child support**: The basic child support obligation derived from the economic table shall be allocated between the parents based on each parent's share of the combined monthly net income. RCW 26.19.080(1).

- 2. **Healthcare expenses:** Healthcare costs are not included in the economic table. Monthly healthcare costs shall be shared by the parents in the same proportion as the basic support obligation. Healthcare costs shall include, but not be limited to, medical, dental, orthodontia, vision, chiropractic, mental health treatment, prescription medications, and other similar costs for care and treatment. RCW 26.19.080(2).
- 3. **Daycare and special child rearing expenses:** Daycare and special child rearing expenses, such as tuition and long distance transportation costs to and from the parents for visitation purposes, are not included in the economic table. These expenses shall be shared by the parents in the same proportion as the basic child support obligation. RCW 26.19.080(3).
- 4. The court may exercise its discretion to determine the necessity for and the reasonableness of all amounts ordered in excess of the basic child support obligation. RCW 26.19.080(4).

### **Limitations Standards**

- 1. **Limit at 45% of a parent's net income**: No parent's child support obligation owed for all of their biological or legal children may exceed 45% of net income except for good cause shown.
  - a. Each child is entitled to a pro rata share of the income available for support, but the court only applies the pro rata share to the children in the case before the court.
  - b. Before determining whether to apply the 45% limitation, the court must consider the best interests of the children and the circumstances of each parent. Such circumstances include, but are not limited to, leaving insufficient funds in the custodial parent's household to meet the basic needs of the children, comparative hardship to the affected households, assets or liabilities, and any involuntary limits on any parent's earning capacity including incarceration, disabilities, or incapacity.
  - c. Good cause includes, but is not limited to, possession of substantial wealth, children with daycare expenses, special medical need, educational need, psychological need, and larger families. RCW 26.19.065(1).
- 2. **Presumptive minimum support obligation**: When a parent's monthly net income is below 125% of the federal poverty guideline for a one-person family, a support order of not less than \$50 per child per month shall be entered unless the obligor parent establishes that it would be unjust to do so in that particular case. The decision whether there is a sufficient basis to go below the presumptive minimum payment must take into consideration the best interests of the children and circumstances of each parent. Such circumstances can include leaving insufficient funds in the custodial parent's household to meet the basic needs of the children, comparative hardship to the affected households, assets or liabilities, and earning capacity. RCW 26.19.065(2)(a).
- 3. Self-support reserve: The basic support obligation of the parent making the transfer payment, excluding healthcare, daycare, and special child-rearing expenses, shall not reduce their net income below the self-support reserve of 125% of the federal poverty level for a one-person family, except for the presumptive minimum payment of \$50 per child per month or when it would be unjust to apply the self-support reserve limitation after considering the best interests of the children and the circumstances of each parent. Such circumstances include, but are not limited to, leaving insufficient funds in the custodial parent's household to meet the basic needs of the children, comparative hardship to the affected households, assets or liabilities, and earning capacity. This section shall not be construed to require monthly substantiation of income.

(See the Self-Support Reserve memorandum on the courts' website www.courts.wa.gov/forms and at www.WashingtonLawHelp.org.) RCW 26.19.065(2)(b).

4. **Income above \$12,000**: The economic table is presumptive for combined monthly net incomes up to and including \$12,000. When combined monthly net income exceeds \$12,000; the court may exceed the maximum presumptive amount of support upon written findings of fact. RCW 26.19.065(3).

### **Deviation Standards**

- 1. Reasons for deviation from the standard calculation include but are not limited to the following:
  - a. **Sources of income and tax planning**: The court may deviate from the standard calculation after consideration of the following:
    - Income of a new spouse or new domestic partner if the parent who is married to the new spouse or the parent who is in a domestic partnership with the new domestic partner is asking for a deviation based on any other reason. Income of a new spouse or domestic partner is not, by itself, a sufficient reason for deviation;
    - ii. Income of other adults in the household if the parent who is living with the other adult is asking for a deviation based on any other reason. Income of the other adults in the household is not, by itself, a sufficient reason for deviation;
    - iii. Child support actually received from other relationships;
    - iv. Gifts;
    - v. Prizes;
    - vi. Possession of wealth, including but not limited to savings, investments, real estate holdings and business interests, vehicles, boats, pensions, bank accounts, insurance plans or other assets;
    - vii. Extraordinary income of a child; or
    - viii. Tax planning considerations. A deviation for tax planning may be granted only if children would not receive a lesser economic benefit due to the tax planning;
    - ix. Income that has been excluded under RCW 26.19.071(4)(h) if the person earning that income asks for a deviation for any other reason. RCW 26.19.075(1)(a).
  - **Nonrecurring income**: The court may deviate from the standard calculation based on a finding that a particular source of income included in the calculation of the basic support obligation is not a recurring source of income. Depending on the circumstances, nonrecurring income may include overtime, contract-related benefits, bonuses or income from second jobs. Deviations for nonrecurring income shall be based on a review of the nonrecurring income received in the previous two calendar years. RCW 26.19.075(1)(b).
  - c. **Debt and high expenses**: The court may deviate from the standard calculation after consideration of the following expenses:
    - i. Extraordinary debt not voluntarily incurred;
    - ii. A significant disparity in the living costs of the parents due to conditions beyond their control;
    - iii. Special needs of disabled children; or
    - iv. Special medical, educational or psychological needs of the children.

- v. Costs anticipated to be incurred by the parents in compliance with court-ordered reunification efforts under chapter 13.34 RCW or under a voluntary placement agreement with an agency supervising the child. RCW 26.19.075(1)(c).
- Residential schedule: The court may deviate from the d. standard calculation if the children spend(s) a significant amount of time with a parent who is obligated to make a support transfer payment. The court may not deviate on that basis if the deviation will result in insufficient funds in the household receiving the support to meet the basic needs of the child or if the child is receiving temporary assistance for needy families (TANF). When determining the amount of the deviation, the court shall consider evidence concerning the increased expenses to a parent making support transfer payments resulting from the significant amount of time spent with that parent and shall consider the decreased expenses, if any, to the party receiving the support resulting from the significant amount of time the child spends with the parent making the support transfer payment. RCW 26.19.075(1)(d).
- e. **Children from other relationships**: The court may deviate from the standard calculation when any or all of the parents before the court have children from other relationships to whom the parent owes a duty of support.
  - i. The child support schedule shall be applied to the parents and children of the family before the court to determine the presumptive amount of support.
  - ii. Children from other relationships shall not be counted in the number of children for purposes of determining the basic support obligation and the standard calculation.
  - iii. When considering a deviation from the standard calculation for children from other relationships, the court may consider only other children to whom the parent owes a duty of support. The court may consider court-ordered payments of child support for children from other relationships only to the extent that the support is actually paid.
  - iv. When the court has determined that any or all parents have children from other relationships, deviations under this section shall be based on consideration of the total circumstances of both households. All child support obligations paid, received, and owed for all children shall be disclosed and considered. RCW 26.19.075(1)(e).
- 2. All income and resources of the parties before the court, new spouses or domestic partners, and other adults in the household shall be disclosed and considered as provided. The presumptive amount of support shall be determined according to the child support schedule. Unless specific reasons for deviation are set forth in the written findings of fact and are supported by the evidence, the court shall order each parent to pay the amount of support determined by using the standard calculation. RCW 26.19.075(2).
- 3. The court shall enter findings that specify reasons for any deviation or any denial of a party's request for any deviation from the standard calculation made by the court. The court shall not consider reasons for deviation until the court determines the standard calculation for each parent. RCW 26.19.075(3).
- 4. When reasons exist for deviation, the court shall exercise discretion in considering the extent to which the factors would affect the support obligation. RCW 26.19.075(4).
- Agreement of the parties is not by itself adequate reason for any deviations from the standard calculations. RCW 26.19.075(5).

# Benefits paid that apply toward a person's child support obligation

If an injured worker, person with disabilities, deceased person, retired person, or veteran who owes a child support obligation receives one of these benefits:

- Department of Labor and Industries payments
- Self-Insurer's payment
  - Social Security Administration: • Social Security disability dependency benefits
    - Retirement benefits
    - Survivors insurance benefits
  - Veteran's Administration benefits

and shows that the child or the child's household receives a payment from those benefits, then, the amount of the payment made on behalf of the child or on account of the child applies toward the person's child support obligation for the same period covered by the benefit.

### **Post-Secondary Education Standards**

- 1. The child support schedule shall be advisory and not mandatory for post-secondary educational support. RCW 26.19.090(1).
- 2. When considering whether to order support for post-secondary educational expenses, the court shall determine whether the child is in fact dependent and is relying upon the parents for the reasonable necessities of life. The court shall exercise its discretion when determining whether and for how long to award post-secondary educational support based upon consideration of factors that include but are not limited to the following: age of the child; the child's needs; the expectations of the parties for their children when the parents were together; the children's prospects, desires, aptitudes, abilities or disabilities; the nature of the post-secondary education sought and the parent's level of education, standard of living and current and future resources. Also to be considered are the amount and type of support that the child would have been afforded if the parents had stayed together. RCW 26.19.090(2).
- 3. The child must enroll in an accredited academic or vocational school, must be actively pursuing a course of study commensurate with the child's vocational goals and must be in good academic standing as defined by the institution. The court-ordered post-secondary educational support shall be automatically suspended during the period or periods the child fails to comply with these conditions. RCW 26.19.090(3).
- 4. The child shall also make available all academic records and grades to both parents as a condition of receiving post-secondary educational support. Each parent shall have full and equal access to the post-secondary education records as provided by statute (RCW 26.09.225). RCW 26.19.090(4).
- The court shall not order the payment of post-secondary educational expenses beyond the child's 23rd birthday, except for exceptional circumstances, such as mental, physical, or emotional disabilities. RCW 26.19.090(5).
- 6. The court shall direct that any or all parents' payments for post-secondary educational expenses are made directly to the educational institution if feasible. If direct payments are not feasible, then the court in its discretion may order that any or all parents' payments are made directly to the child if the child does not reside with any parent. If the child resides with one of the parents, the court may direct that the parent making the support transfer payments make the payments to the child or to the parent who has been receiving the support transfer payments. RCW 26.19.090(6).

## WASHINGTON STATE CHILD SUPPORT SCHEDULE INSTRUCTIONS FOR WORKSHEETS

*Two parent families should use WSCSS – Worksheets 2. For families with three legal parents, use WSCSS – Worksheets 3. For families with more than three legal parents, you will need to create your own worksheets.* 

### Worksheets:

Immediately below the form title, check the box showing if the worksheets are proposed or an order signed by the judge. If they are proposed, check the box showing who proposed them and put your name.

Fill in your county, the case number, and the names and ages of only those children whose support is at issue.

Write your name above **Column 1** and write the other parent's name above **Column 2** (and **Column 3** if applicable). In the rest of the worksheet, list your information under **Column 1** and list the other parent's information under **Column 2** (and **Column 3** if applicable).

### Part I: Income

Pursuant to INCOME STANDARD #1: Consideration of all income, "only the income of the parents of the children whose support is at issue shall be calculated for purposes of calculating the basic support obligation." (See page 1.)

Pursuant to INCOME STANDARD #2: Verification of income, "tax returns for the preceding two years and current paystubs are required for income verification purposes. Other sufficient verification shall be required for income and deductions which do not appear on tax returns or paystubs." (See page 1.)

### Gross Monthly Income

Gross monthly income is defined under INCOME STANDARD #3: Income sources included in gross monthly income. (See page 1.)

Income exclusions are defined under INCOME STANDARD #4: Income sources excluded from gross monthly income. (See page 2.) Excluded income must be disclosed and listed in Part VIII of the worksheets.

Monthly Average of Income:

- If income varies during the year, divide the annual total of the income by 12.
- If paid weekly, multiply the weekly income by 52 and divide by 12.
- If paid every other week, multiply the two-week income by 26 and divide by 12.
- If paid twice a month (bi-monthly), multiply the bimonthly income by 24 and divide by 12

**LINE 1a, Wages and Salaries:** Enter the average monthly total of all salaries, wages, contract-related benefits, bonuses, and income from overtime and second jobs that is not excluded from income by RCW 26.19.071(4)(i).

**LINE 1b, Interest and Dividend Income:** Enter the average monthly total of dividends and interest income.

**LINE 1c, Business Income:** Enter the average monthly income from self-employment, rent, royalties, contracts, proprietorship of a business, or joint ownership of a partnership or closely held corporation.

**LINE 1d, Maintenance Received:** Enter the monthly amount of maintenance actually received.

LINE 1e, Other Income: Enter the average monthly total of other income. (Other income includes, but is not limited to: income tax refunds, trust income, severance pay, annuities, capital gains, pension retirement benefits, workers compensation, unemployment benefits, social security benefits and disability insurance benefits.)

**LINE 1f, Imputed Income:** Enter the imputed gross monthly income for a parent who is voluntarily unemployed, underemployed or if you do not have records of a parent's actual earnings. Refer to "INCOME STANDARD #6: Imputation of income." (See page 2.) Impute income using the first method possible based on the information you have in the following order:

Calculate full-time earnings using either:

- 1. Current rate of pay;
- 2. Historical rate of pay based on reliable information;
- 3. Past rate of pay, if current information is incomplete or sporadic;
- 4. Earnings of 32 hours per week at minimum wage where the parent lives if the parent is on TANF now or recently came off government assistance, is recently released from incarceration, or is a recent high school graduate (if currently enrolled in high school and voluntarily unemployed or underemployed, impute income at 20 hours per week at minimum wage where the parent lives); or
- 5. Minimum wage where the parent lives when the parent has a history of minimum wage, has never been employed, or has no significant earnings history.

Historical rate of pay information may be available from the Division of Child Support. Use form 18-701: "Request for Income Information for Purposes of Entering a Child Support Order", available online at:

http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dcs/Resources/Forms.asp employed, or has no significant earnings history.

If you impute income using one of the five methods, above, enter the amount in line 1f. Also, in line 26 of the Worksheets, explain which method you used to impute income and how you calculated the amount of imputed income. If you cannot use any of the above methods, impute the parent's net monthly income using the table below, and enter the appropriate amount for the parent's age and gender **on line 1f and on line 3**. The table, below, shows net income, after deductions. So if you impute using this table, you will not enter any deductions on the worksheet under line 2. Leave lines 2a through 2i blank. For this parent, go to line 4.

Also, in line 26 of the Worksheets, explain that net income was imputed using the Approximate Median Net Monthly Income Table.

### **Approximate Median Net Monthly Income**

MALE	age	FEMALE
\$2,339	15-24	\$2,234
\$3,703	25-34	\$3,542
\$4,851	35-44	\$4,008
\$5,102	45-54	\$4,067
\$5,000	55-64	\$4,107
\$5,982	65 +	\$4,334

U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2021 Annual Social and Economic Supplement, Table PINC-01. Selected Characteristics of People 15 Years Old and Over by Total Money Income in 2020, Work Experience in 2020, Race, Hispanic Origin, and Sex, Worked Full Time, Year Round.

[Net income has been determined by subtracting FICA (7.65%) and the tax liability for a single person (one withholding allowance).]

LINE 1g, Total Gross Monthly Income: Add the monthly income amounts for each parent (lines 1a through 1f) and enter the totals on line 1g.

### Monthly Deductions from Gross Income

Allowable monthly deductions from gross income are defined under INCOME STANDARD #5: Determination of net income. (See page 2.)

**Monthly Average of Deductions:** If a deduction is annual or varies during the year, divide the annual total of the deduction by 12 to determine a monthly amount.

**LINE 2a, Income Taxes:** Enter the net monthly amount actually owed for state and federal income taxes. (The amount of income tax withheld on a paycheck may not be the actual amount of income tax owed due to tax refunds, deductions, etc. It is appropriate to consider tax returns from prior years as indicating the actual amount of income tax owed if income has not changed.)

**LINE 2b, FICA/Self Employment Taxes:** Enter the total monthly amount of FICA, Social Security, Medicare and Self-employment taxes owed.

**LINE 2c, State Industrial Insurance Deductions:** Enter the monthly amount of state industrial insurance deductions such as Medical Aid Fund Tax, Accident Fund Tax, and Supplement Pension Fund Tax. Self-insured employers may use different terms for the deductions.

**LINE 2d, Mandatory Union/Professional Dues:** Enter the monthly cost of mandatory union or professional dues.

LINE 2e, Mandatory Pension Plan Payments: Enter the monthly cost of mandatory pension plan payments amount.

**LINE 2f, Voluntary Retirement Contributions**: Enter the monthly cost of voluntary Retirement Contributions. Divide the amount of the voluntary retirement contribution, up to \$5,000 per year, by 12 to calculate the monthly cost. (For more information regarding limitations on the allowable deduction of voluntary retirement contributions, refer to INCOME STANDARD #5: Determination of net income. See page 2.)

LINE 2g, Maintenance Paid: Enter the monthly amount of maintenance actually paid pursuant to a court order.

**LINE 2h, Normal Business Expenses:** If self-employed, enter the amount of normal business expenses. (Pursuant to INCOME STANDARD #5: Determination of net income, "justification shall be required for any business expense deduction about which there is a disagreement." See page 2.)

**LINE 2i, Total Deductions From Gross Income:** Add the monthly deductions for each parent (lines 2a through 2h) and enter the totals on line 2i.

**LINE 3, Monthly Net Income:** For each parent, subtract total deductions (line 2i) from total gross monthly income (line 1g) and enter these amounts on line 3.

**LINE 4, Combined Monthly Net Income**: Add the parents' monthly net incomes (line 3) and enter the total on line 4.

**LINE 5, Basic Child Support Obligation**: In the work area provided on line 5, enter the basic support obligation amount determined for each child. Add these amounts together and enter the total in the box on line 5. (To determine a per child basic support obligation, see the following economic table instructions.)

### **Economic Table Instructions**

## To use the Economic Table to determine an individual support amount for each child:

• Locate in the left-hand column the combined monthly net income amount closest to the amount entered on line 4 of Worksheet (round up when the combined monthly net income falls halfway between the two amounts in the left-hand column);

• Locate on the top row the family size for the number of children for whom child support is being determined (when determining family size for the required worksheets, do not include children from other relationships) and circle the number in the column below the family size that is across from the net income. The amount circled is the basic support amount for each child.

**LINE 6, Proportional Share of Income:** Divide the monthly net income for each parent (line 3) by the combined monthly net income (line 4) and enter these amounts on line 6. (The entries on line 6 when added together should equal 1.00.)

### Part II: Basic Child Support Obligation

**LINE 7, Each Parent's Basic Child Support Obligation without consideration of low income limitations:** Multiply the total basic child support obligation (amount in box on line 5) by the income share proportion for each parent (line 6) and enter these amounts on line 7. (The amounts entered on line 7 added together should equal the amount entered on line 5.)

## **LINE 8, Calculating low income limitations:** Fill in only those that apply:

To calculate the low-income limitation standards in lines 8b and 8c, you will need to know the self-support reserve amount, which is 125% of the current federal poverty guideline for a one-person family. As of January 15, 2022, the self-support reserve is \$1,416. The guideline and self-support reserve change roughly annually. To check the current self-support reserve amount go to the court's web site at: www.courts.wa.gov, or go to www.WashingtonLawHelp.org. Enter the self-support reserve amount in the space provided in line 8. (For more information, see Limitation Standard #2 on page 3 of the Definitions and Standards.)

- 8a. Is combined net income less than \$1,000? If combined net monthly income on line 4 is less than \$1,000, enter each parent's presumptive support obligation of \$50 per child. Do not enter an amount on line 8a if combined income on line 4 is more than \$1,000.
- **8b. Is monthly net income less than self-support reserve?** For each parent whose monthly net income on line 3 is less than the self-support reserve, enter the parent's presumptive support obligation of \$50 per child. Do **not** use this box for a parent whose net income on line 3 is greater than the self-support reserve.
- **8c. Is monthly net income equal to or more than self-support reserve?** Subtract the self-support reserve from line 3 and enter this amount or enter \$50 per child whichever is greater. Do not use this box if the amount is greater than the amount in line 7.

LINE 9, Each parent's basic child support obligation after calculating applicable limitations: For each parent, enter the lowest amount from line 7, 8a - 8c, but not less than the presumptive \$50 per child.

# Part III: Healthcare, Daycare, and Special Child Rearing Expenses

Pursuant to **ALLOCATION STANDARD #4:** "the court may exercise its discretion to determine the necessity for and the reasonableness of all amounts ordered in excess of the basic child support obligation." (See page 2.)

Pursuant to **ALLOCATION STANDARD #2:** Healthcare expenses and #3: Daycare and special child rearing expenses, healthcare, daycare, and special child rearing expenses shall be shared by the parents in the same proportion as the basic support obligation. (See page 2.) NOTE: The court order should reflect that healthcare, daycare and special child rearing expenses not listed should be apportioned by the same percentage as the basic child support obligation.

Monthly Average of Expenses: If a healthcare, daycare, or special child rearing expense is annual or varies during the year, divide the annual total of the expense by 12 to determine a monthly amount.

### **Healthcare Expenses**

**LINE 10a, Monthly Health Insurance Premiums Paid For Children:** List the monthly amount paid by each parent for healthcare insurance for the children of the relationship. (When determining an insurance premium amount, do not include the portion of the premium paid by an employer or other third party and/or the portion of the premium that covers the parent or other household members.)

LINE 10b, Uninsured Monthly Healthcare Expenses Paid For Children: List the monthly amount paid by each parent for the children's healthcare expenses not reimbursed by insurance.

**LINE 10c, Total Monthly Healthcare Expenses:** For each parent add the health insurance premium payments (line 10a) to the uninsured healthcare payments (line 10b) and enter these amounts on line 10c

**LINE 10d, Combined Monthly Healthcare Expenses:** Add the parents' total healthcare payments (line 10c) and enter this amount on line 10d.

### **Daycare and Special Expenses**

LINE 11a, Daycare Expenses: Enter average monthly day care costs.

**LINE 11b, Education Expenses:** Enter the average monthly costs of tuition and other related educational expenses.

**LINE 11c, Long Distance Transportation Expenses:** Enter the average monthly costs of long distance travel incurred pursuant to the residential or visitation schedule.

LINE 11d, Other Special Expenses: Identify any other special expenses and enter the average monthly cost of each.

#### LINE 12, Combined Monthly Total of Daycare and

**Special Expenses:** Add the parents' total expenses (line 11e) and enter this total on line 12.

#### LINE 13, Total Healthcare, Daycare and Special

**Expenses:** Add the healthcare expenses (line 10d) to the combined monthly total of daycare and special expenses (line 12) and enter this amount on line 13.

#### LINE 14, Each Parent's Obligation For Healthcare, Daycare And Special Expenses: Multiply the total

healthcare, daycare, and special expenses amount (line 13) by the income proportion for each parent (line 6) and enter these amounts on line 14.

**LINE 15, Gross Child Support Obligation:** For each parent, add the basic child support obligation (line 9) to the obligation for extraordinary healthcare, daycare and special expenses (line 14). Enter these amounts on line 15.

### Part V: Child Support Credits

Child support credits are provided in cases where parents make direct payments to third parties for the cost of goods and services which are included in the standard calculation support obligation (e.g., payments to an insurance company or a daycare provider).

**LINE 16a, Monthly Healthcare Expenses Credit:** Enter the total monthly healthcare expenses amounts from line 10c for each parent.

**LINE 16b, Daycare And Special Expenses Credit:** Enter the total daycare and special expenses amounts from line 11e for each parent.

**LINE 16c, Other Ordinary Expense Credit:** If approval of another ordinary expense credit is being requested, in the space provided, specify the expense and enter the average monthly cost in the column of the parent to receive the credit. (It is generally assumed that ordinary expenses are paid in accordance with the children's residence. If payment of a specific ordinary expense does not follow this assumption, the parent paying for this expense may request approval of an ordinary expense credit. This credit is discretionary with the court.)

**LINE 16d, Total Support Credits:** For each parent, add the entries on lines 16 a through c and enter the totals on line 16d.

### Part VI: Standard Calculation/Presumptive

### **Transfer Payment**

**LINE 17, For Each Parent:** subtract the total support credits (line 16d) from the gross child support obligation (line 15) and enter the resulting amounts on line 17. If the amount is less than \$50 per child for any parent, then enter the presumptive minimum support obligation of \$50 per child, instead of the lower amount.

# Part VII: Additional Informational Calculations

**LINE 18, 45% of Each Parent's Net Income From Line 3:** For each parent, multiply line 3 by .45. Refer to LIMITATIONS Standards #1: Limit at 45% of a parent's net income.

**LINE 19, 25% of Each Parent's Basic Support Obligation from Line 9**: For each parent, multiply line 9 by .25.

# Part VIII: Additional Factors for Consideration

Pursuant to INCOME STANDARD #1: Consideration of all income: "all income and resources of each parent's household shall be disclosed and considered by the court when the court determines the child support obligation of each parent." (See page 1.)

LINE 20 a-h, Household Assets: Enter the estimated present value of assets of the household.

**LINE 21, Household Debt:** Describe and enter the amount of liens against assets owned by the household and/or any extraordinary debt.

### **Other Household Income**

**LINE 22a, Income of Current Spouse or Domestic Partner:** If a parent is currently married to or in a domestic partnership with someone other than the parent of the children for whom support is being determined, list the name and enter the income of the present spouse or domestic partner.

LINE 22b, Income of Other Adults In The Household: List the names and enter the incomes of other adults residing in the household.

**LINE 22c,** Gross income from overtime or from second jobs the party is asking the court to exclude per INCOME STANDARD #4, Income sources excluded from gross monthly income (see page 2).

**LINE 22d, Income of Children:** If the amount is considered to be extraordinary, list the name and enter the income of children residing in the home.

**LINE 22e, Income from Child Support:** List the name of the children for whom support is received and enter the amount of the support income. Do not include the children for whom support is being determined.

**LINE 22f, Income from Assistance Programs:** List the program and enter the amount of any income received from assistance programs. (Assistance programs include, but are not limited to: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), SSI, general assistance, food stamps and aid, and attendance allowances.)

**LINE 22g, Other Income:** Describe and enter the amount of any other income of the household. (Include income from gifts and prizes on this line.)

**LINE 23, Nonrecurring Income:** Describe and enter the amount of any income included in the calculation of gross income (LINE 1g) which is nonrecurring. (Pursuant to DEVIATION STANDARD #1b: Nonrecurring income, "depending on the circumstances, nonrecurring income may include overtime, contract-related benefits, bonuses or income from second jobs." See page 3.)

LINE 24, Monthly Child Support Ordered for Other Children. List the names and ages and enter the amount of child support owed for other children, (not the children for whom support is being determined). Is the support paid? Check [] Yes or [] No.

LINE 25, Other Children Living in Each Household: List the names and ages of children, other than those for whom support is being determined, who are living in each household.

**LINE 26, Other Factors For Consideration:** In the space provided list any other factors that should be considered in determining the child support obligation. (For information regarding other factors for consideration, refer to DEVIATION STANDARDS. See page 3.) Also use this space to explain how you calculated the income and deductions in lines 1 and 2.

Guardianship Cases: When the children do not reside with any parent, the household income and resources of the children's custodian(s) should be listed on line 26.

### Washington State Child Support Schedule Economic Table

Monthly Basic Support Obligation						
Per Child						
Repeat column heading						
Combined	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	
Monthly Net	Child	Children	Children	Children	Children	
Income	Family	Family	Family	Family	Family	
	an \$1,000, the obligati	•			<b>/</b>	
	shall not be less than \$					
1000	216	167	136	114	100	
1100	238	184	150	125	110	
1200	260	200	163	137	120	
1300	281	217	177	148	130	
1400	303	234	191	160	141	
1500	325	251	204	171	151	
1600	346	267	218	182	161	
1700	368	284	231	194	171	
1800	390	301	245	205	180	
1900	412	317	258	216	190	
2000	433	334	271	227	200	
2100	455	350	285	239	210	
2200	477	367	298	250	220	
2300	499	384	311	261	230	
2400	521	400	325	272	239	
2500	543	417	338	283	249	
2600	565	433	351	294	259	
2700	587	450	365	305	269	
2800	609	467	378	317	279	
2900	630	483	391	328	288	
3000	652	500	405	339	298	
3100	674	516	418	350	308	
3200	696	533	431	361	318	
3300	718	550	444	372	328	
3400	740	566	458	384	337	
3500	762	583	471	395	347	
3600	784	599	484	406	357	
3700	803	614	496	416	366	
3800	816	624	503	422	371	
3900	830	634	511	428	377	
4000	843	643	518	434	382	
4100	857	653	526	440	388	
4200	867	660	531	445	392	
4300	877	668	537	450	396	
4400	887	675	543	455	400	
4500	896	682	548	459	404	
4600	906	689	554	464	404	
4700	916	697	559	469	408	
4800	910	705	566	409 474	412	
4900	939	705	573	474 480	417	
4900 5000	939	714	580	480 486	422	
5000	901	123	500	400	420	

5100 5200 5300	963 975	732	587	492	433
5200 5300					
5300		741	594	498	438
	987	750	602	504	443
5400	999	759	609	510	449
5500	1011	768	616	516	454
5600	1023	777	623	522	459
5700	1023	782	627	525	462
5800	1036	786	630	528	465
5900	1042	791	634	531	467
6000		795	637	534	407 470
	1048				
6100	1054	800	641	537	472
6200	1061	804	644	540	475
6300	1067	809	648	543	477
6400	1073	813	651	545	480
6500	1081	819	656	549	483
6600	1096	830	665	557	490
6700	1111	842	674	564	497
6800	1126	853	683	572	503
6900	1141	864	692	579	510
7000	1156	875	701	587	516
7100	1170	886	710	594	523
7200	1185	898	719	602	530
7300	1200	909	727	609	536
7400	1212	918	734	615	541
7500	1222	925	740	620	545
7600	1231	932	745	624	549
7700	1241	939	751	629	554
7800	1251	946	756	634	558
7900	1261	953	762	638	562
8000	1270	960	767	643	566
8100	1280	968	773	647	570
8200	1290	975	778	652	574
8300	1299	981	783	656	577
8400	1308	987	788	660	581
8500	1316	994	793	664	584
8600	1325	1000	797	668	588
8700	1334	1007	802	672	591
8800	1343	1013	807	676	595
8900	1352	1019	812	680	599
9000	1361	1026	817	684	602
9100	1370	1032	822	689	606
9200	1379	1040	828	694	611
9300	1387	1047	835	699	616
9400	1396	1055	841	705	620
9500	1405	1062	848	710	625
9600	1414	1069	854	716	630
9700	1423	1077	861	721	635
9800	1432	1084	867	727	639
9900	1441	1092	874	732	644
10000	1451	1099	879	737	648
10100	1462	1107	885	741	652

10200	1473	1114	890	745	656
10300	1484	1122	895	750	660
10400	1495	1129	900	754	664
10500	1507	1136	906	759	668
10600	1518	1144	911	763	672
10700	1529	1151	916	767	675
10800	1539	1159	921	772	679
10900	1542	1161	924	774	681
11000	1545	1164	926	776	683
11100	1548	1166	928	778	684
11200	1551	1169	931	780	686
11300	1554	1172	933	782	688
11400	1556	1174	936	784	690
11500	1559	1177	938	786	692
11600	1562	1179	940	788	693
11700	1565	1182	943	790	695
11800	1568	1184	945	792	697
11900	1571	1187	948	794	699
12000	1573	1190	950	796	700

The economic table is presumptive for combined monthly net incomes up to and including \$12,000. When combined monthly net income exceeds \$12,000, the court may exceed the maximum presumptive amount of support upon written findings of fact.

## Washington State Child Support Schedule Worksheets

☐ Proposed by ☐ (name) Or, ☐ Signed by the Judicial/Reviewing Officer.	(CSW)	State of WA (CSWP)
County	Case No	
Child/ren and Age/s:		
Parents' names:		

(Column 1)	(Column 2)				
	Col	umn 1	Colur	nn 2	
Part I: Income (see Instructions, page 6)					
1. Gross Monthly Income					
a. Wages and Salaries	\$		\$		
b. Interest and Dividend Income	\$		\$		
c. Business Income	\$		\$		
d. Maintenance Received	\$		\$		
e. Other Income	\$		\$		
f. Imputed Income	\$		\$		
g. Total Gross Monthly Income (add lines 1a through 1f)	\$		\$		
2. Monthly Deductions from Gross Income					
a. Income Taxes (Federal and State)	\$		\$		
b. FICA (Soc. Sec.+ Medicare)/Self-Employment Taxes	\$	\$		\$	
c. State Industrial Insurance Deductions	\$	\$		\$	
d. Mandatory Union/Professional Dues	\$		\$		
e. Mandatory Pension Plan Payments	\$		\$		
f. Voluntary Retirement Contributions	\$		\$		
g. Maintenance Paid	\$		\$		
h. Normal Business Expenses	\$		\$		
i. Total Deductions from Gross Income (add lines 2a through 2h)	\$		\$		
3. Monthly Net Income (line 1g minus 2i)	\$		\$		
<ol> <li>Combined Monthly Net Income (add both parents' monthly net incomes from line 3)</li> </ol>		\$			
<ul> <li>5. Basic Child Support Obligation Number of children: x \$ per child (enter total amount in box →)</li> </ul>		\$			
6. Proportional Share of Income (divide line 3 by line 4 for each parent)		•			

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	Col	umn 1	Colu	mn 2	
Part II: Basic Child Support Obligation (see Instructions, page 7)					
7. Each Parent's Basic Child Support Obligation without consideration of low income limitations. (Multiply each number on line 6 by line 5.)	\$		\$		
8. Calculating low income limitations: Fill in only those that apply.					
Self-Support Reserve: (125% of the federal poverty guideline for a one-person family.)		\$			
<ul> <li>a. <u>Is Combined Net Income Less Than \$1,000?</u> If yes, for each parent enter the presumptive \$50 per child.</li> </ul>	\$		\$		
<ul> <li>b. <u>Is Monthly Net Income Less Than Self-Support Reserve?</u> If yes, for that parent enter the presumptive \$50 per child.</li> </ul>	\$		\$		
c. <u>Is Monthly Net Income equal to or more than Self-Support</u> <u>Reserve?</u> If yes, for each parent subtract the self-support reserve from line 3. If that amount is less than line 7, enter that amount or the presumptive \$50 per child, whichever is greater.	\$		\$		
<ol> <li>Each parent's basic child support obligation after calculating applicable limitations. For each parent, enter the lowest amount from line 7, 8a - 8c, but not less than the presumptive \$50 per child.</li> </ol>	\$		\$		
Part III: Health Care, Day Care, and Special Child Rearing Expenses	s (see	Instructio	ons, page	8)	
10. Health Care Expenses					
a. Monthly Health Insurance Premiums Paid for Child(ren)	\$		\$		
<ul> <li>b. Uninsured Monthly Health Care Expenses Paid for Child(ren)</li> </ul>		\$		\$	
c. Total Monthly Health Care Expenses (line 10a plus line 10b)	\$		\$		
<ul> <li>d. Combined Monthly Health Care Expenses (add both parents' totals from line 10c)</li> </ul>		\$			
11. Day Care and Special Expenses			•		
a. Day Care Expenses	\$		\$		
b. Education Expenses	\$		\$		
c. Long Distance Transportation Expenses	\$		\$		
d. Other Special Expenses (describe)	\$		\$		
	\$		\$		
	\$		\$		
	\$		\$		
<ul> <li>e. Total Day Care and Special Expenses (add lines 11a through 11d)</li> </ul>	\$		\$		
<ol> <li>Combined Monthly Total Day Care and Special Expenses (add both parents' day care and special expenses from line 11e)</li> </ol>		\$			
13. Total Health Care, Day Care, and Special Expenses (line 10d plus line 12)		\$			
<ol> <li>Each Parent's Obligation for Health Care, Day Care, and Special Expenses (multiply each number on line 6 by line 13)</li> </ol>	\$		\$		
Part IV: Gross Child Support Obligation					

	Column 1	Column 2
Part V: Child Support Credits (see Instructions, page 9)		
16. Child Support Credits		
a. Monthly Health Care Expenses Credit	\$	\$
b. Day Care and Special Expenses Credit	\$	\$
c. Other Ordinary Expenses Credit (describe)		
	\$	\$
d. Total Support Credits (add lines 16a through 16c)	\$	\$
Part VI: Standard Calculation/Presumptive Transfer Payment (see	Instructions, pag	ge 9)
<ol> <li>Standard Calculation (line 15 minus line 16d or \$50 per child whichever is greater)</li> </ol>	\$	\$
Part VII: Additional Informational Calculations		
18. 45% of each parent's net income from line 3 (.45 x amount from		
line 3 for each parent)	\$	\$
<ol> <li>25% of each parent's basic support obligation from line 9 (.25 x amount from line 9 for each parent)</li> </ol>	\$	\$
Part VIII: Additional Factors for Consideration (see Instructions, pa	ge 9)	
20. Household Assets (List the estimated present value of all major household assets.)		
a. Real Estate	\$	\$
b. Investments	\$	\$
c. Vehicles and Boats	\$	\$
d. Bank Accounts and Cash	\$	\$
e. Retirement Accounts	\$	\$
f. Other (describe)	\$	\$
	\$	\$
21. Household Debt		
(List liens against household assets, extraordinary debt.)		
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
22. Other Llaussheld Income	\$	\$
22. Other Household Income		
a. Income Of Current Spouse or Domestic Partner		
(if not the other parent of this action) Name	¢	\$
Name	\$ \$	\$ \$
	Ψ	Ψ
b. Income Of Other Adults In Household	¢	¢
Name	\$ ¢	\$ ¢
Name	\$	Φ

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	Column 1	Column 2
<ul> <li>Gross income from overtime or from second jobs the party is asking the court to exclude per Instructions, page 8</li> </ul>		
	\$	\$
d. Income Of Child(ren) (if considered extraordinary)		
Name	\$	\$
Name	\$	\$
e. Income From Child Support		
Name	\$	\$
Name	\$	\$
f. Income From Assistance Programs	¢	¢
Program	\$	\$ ¢
Program g. Other Income (describe)	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	¢ \$
23. Non-Recurring Income (describe)	Ψ	Ψ
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
24. Monthly Child Support Ordered for Other Children		
Name/age: Paid [] Yes [] No	\$	\$
Name/age: Paid [] Yes [] No	\$	\$
Name/age: Paid [] Yes [] No	\$	\$
25. Other Child(ren) Living In Each Household		
(First name(s) and age(s))		
	1	
26 Other Fasters For Consideration		
26. Other Factors For Consideration		

Other Factors for Consideration (continued) (attach additional pages as necessary)		
Signature and Dates		
I declare, under penalty of perjury under the laws in these Worksheets is complete, true, and corre-	of the State of Washingt ct.	ton, the information contained
Parent's Signature (Column 1)	Parent's Signature (	Column 2)
Date City	Date	City
Judicial/Reviewing Officer	Date	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

### This worksheet has been certified by the State of Washington Administrative Office of the Courts. Photocopying of the worksheet is permitted.

## Attachment for Residential Split Adjustment

Attach this page to the Worksheets **only** when each parent has at least one of the children from this relationship living with him/her most of the time. Do not use this for 50/50 schedules. Do not include children from other relationships.

	Column 1	Column 2
A. Copy line 9 from the Worksheets (Each parent's basic child support obligation after calculating applicable limitations)	\$	\$
B. From line 5 of the Worksheets, add up the amounts for each child living with the parent in Column 1.         Child # (name, age):\$	\$	
From line 5 of the Worksheets, add up the amounts for each child living with the parent in Column 2.         Child # (name, age):\$		\$
C. Subtract line B from line A for each parent. If line B has a higher number than line A, enter a <b>zero</b> for that parent.	\$	\$
Expenses and Credits		
D. Copy line 14 from the Worksheets (Each Parent's Obligation for Health Care, Day Care, and Special Expenses)	\$	\$
E. Add lines C and D for each parent.	\$	\$
F. Copy line 16d from the Worksheets (Total Support Credits)	\$	\$
G. Standard Calculation/Presumptive Transfer Payment Subtract line F from line E for each parent.	\$	\$
Enter the <b>higher</b> amount from line G into the <i>Child Support Orde</i> Residential Split as the amount for the parent paying support.	er section 8, Stanc	lard Calculation,

## This worksheet attachment has been certified by the State of Washington Administrative Office of the Courts. Photocopying of the worksheet is permitted.

### Superior Court of Washington, County of \_\_\_\_\_

In re:

Petitioner/s (person/s who started this case):

No. \_\_\_\_\_

And Respondent/s (other party/parties):

Proof of Personal Service (AFSR)

## **Proof of Personal Service**

1. My name is: \_\_\_\_\_\_. I am not a party to this case. I am 18 or older.

### 2. Personal Service

I served court documents for this case to (name of party):	
by (check one):	

- [] giving the documents directly to him/her.

### **3.** Date, time, and address of service

Date:	Time:	[]a.m.	[]p.m.
Address:			
Number and street	city	state	zip

### **4.** List all documents you served (check all that apply):

(The most common documents are listed below. Check only those documents that were served. Use the "Other" boxes to write in the title of each document you served that is not already listed.)

[] Petition to/for	
[] Summons (Attach a copy.)	[] Notice of Hearing
[] Order Setting Case Schedule	[] Motion for Temporary Family Law Order [] and Restraining Order
[] Notice Re: Military Dependent	[] Proposed Temporary Family Law Order
[] Proposed Parenting Plan	[] Motion for Immediate Restraining Order (Ex Parte)
[] Proposed Child Support Order	[] Immediate Restraining Order (Ex Parte) and Hearing Notice
[] Proposed Child Support Worksheets	[] Restraining Order
[] Sealed Financial Documents	[] Motion for Contempt Hearing
[] Financial Declaration	[] Order to Go to Court for Contempt Hearing
[] Information for Temporary Parenting Plan	[] Motion for Adequate Cause Decision
[] Declaration of:	[] Notice of Intent to Move with Children (Relocation)
[] Declaration of:	[] Objection about Moving with Children and Petition about Changing a Parenting/ Custody Order (Relocation)
[] Other:	[] Other:
[] Other:	[ ] Other:

### **5.** Fees charged for service

- [] Does not apply.
- [ ] Fees: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ + Mileage \$ \_\_\_\_\_ = Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Other Information (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the statements on this form are true.

Signed at (city and state):	
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Date:

Signature of server

Print or type name of server

### To the party having these documents served:

- File the original *Proof of Personal Service* with the court clerk.
- If you served a *Restraining Order* signed by the court, you must also give a copy of this *Proof of Personal Service* and a *Law Enforcement Information Sheet* to law enforcement.
- If the documents were personally served outside of Washington state, you must fill out and file form FL All Family 102 (*Declaration: Personal Service Could Not be Made in Washington*).

[ ] <b>To the Server:</b> check here if you persona state. Your signature must be notarized o	ally served the documents <i>outside</i> Washington r sworn before a court clerk.	
(For personal service in Washington state, you before a court clerk.)	Ir signature does <b>not</b> need to be notarized or sworn	
Signed and sworn to before me on (da		
	Signature of notary or court clerk	
	Print name of notary or court clerk	
	[] I am a notary public in and for the state of:	
	My commission expires:	
	[] I am a court clerk in a court of record in (county):	
(Print seal above.)	(Print seal above.) (state):	

### Superior Court of Washington, County of \_\_\_\_\_

In re:

Petitioner/s (as listed on the Petition):

No.

Order on Adequate Cause to Change a Parenting/Custody Order

(ORRACG / ORRACD / ORH: see 6)

And Respondent/s (as listed on the Petition):

## Order on Adequate Cause to Change a Parenting/Custody Order

1. The (check one): [] Petitioner [] Respondent made a *Motion for Adequate Cause Decision* and the court finds there is reason to approve this order. (Check one):

[] An adequate cause hearing was held.

[] The parties agree there is adequate cause (valid reasons) for the case to move forward, or any party not in agreement has been defaulted.

### > The Court Finds:

### 2. Jurisdiction

- [] This court has jurisdiction over this case.
  - [] The parenting order was made by a Washington court, and the court still has authority to make orders for the children.
  - [] The parenting/custody order was **not** made by a Washington court, and
    - [] A court in the state (or tribe) that made the parenting order has made another order saying that it no longer has jurisdiction **or** that it is better to have this case decided in Washington;
    - [] No child, parent or person acting as a parent lives in the state (or tribal reservation) that made the order anymore.
  - [] The parenting /custody order was **not** made by a Washington court, and a Washington court can make decisions because the children are in this state now **and** were abandoned here **or** need emergency protection because the children (or the children's parent, brother or sister) were abused or threatened with abuse.

This order expires on (date): \_\_\_\_\_\_, unless the other state declines jurisdiction or this court enters an order extending emergency jurisdiction.

[] This court does **not** have jurisdiction over this case.

### 3. Timing of Adequate Cause Decision

- [] The court cannot decide adequate cause yet because:
  - [] the deadline for filing a *Response* to the *Petition* has not passed.
  - ] other (specify):
- [] The court **can** decide adequate cause because:
  - [] the deadline for filing a *Response* to the *Petition* has passed.
  - [] the motion was made by the party responding to the *Petition*.
  - [] other (specify):

### 4. Adequate Cause

- [] There is **not** adequate cause (valid reasons) to hold a full hearing or trial about the *Petition*. The *Petition* should be dismissed.
- [] There **is** adequate cause (valid reasons) to hold a full hearing or trial about the *Petition.*

[] The parties **agree** that there is adequate cause (valid reasons).

### 5. Other Findings (if any)

### > The Court Orders:

### 6. Decision

[] **No Adequate Cause** – The *Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order* is dismissed.

### [] Adequate Cause Found –

- [] The *Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order* will move on to a full hearing or trial. The hearing or trial will take place (*check one*):
  - [] at a later date to be set by the court.
  - [] on (*date*): \_\_\_\_\_\_ at (*time*): \_\_\_\_\_ [] a.m. [] p.m. in (*Court, Room/Dept.*): \_\_\_\_\_
  - [] on the date set by the case scheduling order made when the *Petition* was filed.
- [] No further hearing or trial date is needed because the court is signing the *Final Order and Findings on Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order*, and any other final orders today by agreement or default.

### 7. Other orders (if any)

Ordered. Judge or Commissioner Date Petitioner and Respondent or their lawyers fill out below. This document (check any that apply): This document (check any that apply): [] is an agreement of the parties [] is an agreement of the parties [] is presented by me [] is presented by me [] may be signed by the court without notice to me [] may be signed by the court without notice to me Respondent signs here or lawyer signs here WSBA # Petitioner signs here **or** lawyer signs here WSBA # Print Name Print Name Date Date

### Superior Court of Washington, County of \_\_\_\_\_

In re:	No
Petitioner/s (as listed on the Petition):	Final Order and Findings on Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody
And Respondent/s (as listed on the Petition):	Order (ORMDD/ORDYMT)
	[] Clerk's action required: 11

## Final Order and Findings on Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order

### 1. This Order is based on:

- The Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order,
- The children's best interest,
- The Court's decision that there were valid reasons to hear the *Petition* in the *Order on* Adequate Cause to Change a Parenting/Custody Order signed on (date): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

And (check one):

[] the parents' agreement.

- [] the Order on Motion for Default signed on (date): \_\_\_\_\_
- [] the court hearing or trial on (*date*): \_\_\_\_\_

The following people were at the hearing or trial *(list parties, lawyers, and any guardians):* 

### Findings & Conclusions

- **2.** Jurisdiction (RCW 26.27.201–.221, .231, .261, .271).
  - [] The court **cannot** decide this case for the children because the court does not have jurisdiction over the children.

- [] The court **can** decide this case for the children because (check all that apply; if a box applies to all of the children, you may write "the children" instead of listing names):
  - [] **Washington order/exclusive, continuing jurisdiction** The parenting/custody order was made by a Washington state court, and the court still has authority to make other orders for *(children's names):*
  - [] **Other state's order** The parenting/custody order was not made by a Washington state court **AND** (*check one*):
    - [] A court in the state (or tribe) that made the parenting/custody order has made another order saying that it no longer has jurisdiction **or** that it is better to have this case decided in Washington;
    - [] No child, parent, or person acting as a parent lives in the state (or tribal reservation) that made the order anymore;

### AND (check one):

- [] **Home state jurisdiction** Washington is the children's home state because (*check all that apply*):
  - [] (*Children's names*): \_\_\_\_\_\_ lived in Washington with a parent or someone acting as a parent for at least the 6 months just before this case was filed, or if the children were less than 6 months old when the case was filed, they had lived in Washington with a parent or someone acting as a parent since birth.
  - [] There were times the children were not in Washington in the 6 months just before this case was filed (or since birth if they were less than 6 months old), but those were temporary absences.
  - [] (Children's names): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ do not live in Washington right now, but Washington was the children's home state sometime in the 6 months just before this case was filed, and a parent or someone acting as a parent of the children still lives in Washington.
  - [ ] (Children's names): \_\_\_\_\_\_ do not have another home state.
- [] No home state or home state declined No court of any other state has the jurisdiction to make decisions for *(children's names):*

, **or** a court in the children's home

state decided it is better to have this case in Washington  $\ensuremath{\textit{and}}\xspace$ 

- The children and a parent, or someone acting as a parent, have ties to Washington beyond just living here (significant connection); and
- There is a lot of information (substantial evidence) about the children's care, protection, education and relationships in this state.
- [] Other reason (specify):

### **3.** Major change (*RCW* 26.09.260(1) and (2)).

- [] Does not apply. No one requested a major change.
- [] **Denied** The court denies the request for a major change because (*check all that apply*):
  - [] the requested major change is not in the children's best interest.
  - [] there has been no substantial change to the situation of the children or the parent who did not file the *Petition*.

- [] the reasons (factual basis) for the requested major change do not qualify under the law.
- [] other reasons (specify):
- [] **Approved** The court approves a major change to the parenting order. The major change is approved because:
  - The requested change is in the children's best interest, and
  - There has been a substantial change in the children's situation or in the situation of the parent who did not request the major change. (Describe how the situation has changed, or describe a situation that the court did not know about when it made its order):

### Check reason/s for this change:

- [] The parents agree to the requested change/s.
- [] The children are living in one parent's home with the other parent's permission. This is very different than what was ordered in the previous order.
- [] The children's current living situation is harmful to their physical, mental, or emotional health. It would be better for the children to change the order.
- [] The other parent has not followed the court's order. A court found they are in contempt for disobeying the parenting schedule more than once in 3 years, or guilty of custodial interference in the first or second degree. (*RCW 9A.40.060 or 9A.40.070*).

### 4. Minor change (RCW 26.09.260(5), (7), and (9)).

- [] Does not apply. No one requested a minor change.
- [] **Denied** The court denies the request for a minor change because (*check all that apply*):
  - [] the requested minor change is not in the children's best interest.
  - [] the situation of the children or a parent has not changed substantially.
  - [] the reasons (factual basis) for the requested minor change do not qualify under the law.
  - [] the parent requesting more time is limited because of problems listed in the current parenting/custody order. That parent has not shown substantial change in the problems that caused the limitations.
  - [] the parent requesting more time has not fully completed all evaluations, treatment, or classes required by the current parenting/custody order.
  - [] other reasons (specify): \_

- [] **Approved** The court approves a minor change to the parenting/custody order. The court signed the new *Parenting Plan* or *Residential Schedule* filed separately today or on (*date*): \_\_\_\_\_\_. The minor change is approved because:
  - The requested change is in the children's best interest and does not change the person the children live with most of the time; and
  - There has been a substantial change in the children's or a parent's situation. (Describe how the situation has changed, or describe a situation that the court did not know about when it made its order):

### Check reason/s for this change:

- [] The current parenting/custody order is difficult to follow because the parent who has less residential time with the children has moved.
- [] The current parenting/custody order is difficult to follow because one parent's work schedule changed and the change was not by their choice.
- [] The requested change will impact the children's schedule on fewer than 25 full days a year.
- [] The requested change will impact the children's schedule on more than 24 full days, but fewer than 90 overnights a year. This change is needed because the current parenting/custody order does not give the children a reasonable amount of time with one parent. It is in the children's best interest to have more than 24 full days of increased time with that parent.

### Are there any limitations on the parent whose time is being increased?

- [] **No.** The current parenting/custody order does **not** limit that parent's time with the children because of abandonment, abuse, domestic violence, sex offense, or other serious problems.
- [] **Yes.** That parent's time with the children is limited because of problems listed in the current parenting/custody order. That parent's situation has changed substantially. (*Describe how the parent's problems that caused the limitations in the current parenting/custody order have changed.*)

# Has the parent whose time would be increased completed any required evaluations, treatment, or classes?

[] **Does not apply.** The current parenting/custody order does **not** require that parent to complete any evaluations, treatment, or classes.

[] **Yes.** That parent has completed all court-ordered evaluations, treatment, or classes required by the current parenting/custody order.

List completed evaluations, treatment, or classes here:

### 5. Restrictions on the parent with less parenting time

- [] Does not apply.
- Limit To protect the children, the court will limit the parenting time and participation of the parent who already has less than half of the parenting time with the children. The reasons for this limitation are listed in the new *Parenting Plan* or *Residential Schedule* signed by the court today or on (*date*): \_\_\_\_\_\_. This *Parenting Plan* or *Residential Schedule* is approved and filed separately. (*RCW 26.09.191, 26.09.260(4)*)
- [] **Adjust** The parent who did not file the *Petition* was allowed some parenting time by the current parenting/custody order, but that parent has chosen not to spend any time with the children for at least 1 year. The court will adjust the parenting time for that parent as listed in the new *Parenting Plan* or *Residential Schedule* signed by the court today or on (*date*): \_\_\_\_\_\_. This *Parenting Plan* or *Residential Schedule* is approved and filed separately. (*RCW 26.09.260(8)*)
- [] Other findings: \_\_\_\_\_

### 6. Other Changes (*RCW* 26.09.260(10))

- [] Does not apply.
- [] Because of a substantial change in one parent's/child's situation, the court approves changes to the following parts of the *Parenting Plan* or *Residential Schedule* that are in the children's best interest (*check all that apply*):
  - [] dispute resolution
  - [] decision-making
  - [] transportation arrangements
  - [] other (specify):

### 7. Child Support

- [] Does not apply. No one asked to change child support.
- [] **Denied** The request to change child support is denied because:
  - [] the request to change the parenting/custody order is denied.
  - [] the approved change to the parenting/custody order (check all that apply):
    - [] does not change the parent the children live with most of the time.
    - [] does not change the amount of time the children spend with each parent so much that a child support deviation should be approved or changed.
  - [ ] other: \_\_\_\_\_

- [] **Approved** The court approves a change to child support. The changes to the parenting/custody order affect child support by (*check one*):
  - [] changing the parent the children live with most of the time.
  - [] changing the amount of time the children spend with each parent so much that a child support deviation should be approved or changed.
  - [ ] other: \_\_\_\_\_
- [] Other findings: \_\_\_\_\_

### 8. Protection Order

- [] Does not apply. No one requested a *Protection Order* in this case.
- [] **Approved** The request for a *Protection Order* is approved. The *Protection Order* is filed separately.
- [] **Denied** The request for a *Protection Order* is denied. The *Denial Order* is filed separately.
- [] **Renewed/Changed** The existing *Protection Order* filed in or combined with this case is renewed or changed as described in the following order, filed separately (*check one*):
  - [] Order on Renewal of Protection Order
  - [] Order Modifying/Terminating Protection Order
- [] Other findings: \_\_\_\_\_

### 9. Restraining Order

- [] Does not apply. No one requested a *Restraining Order* in this case.
- [] **Approved** The request for a *Restraining Order* is approved. The *Restraining Order* is filed separately.
- [] **Denied** The request for a *Restraining Order* is denied.
- [] Other findings:\_\_\_\_\_

### 10. Other Findings (if any)

### Court Orders

- **11. Decision** (check all that apply):
  - [] **Denied** The court denies the *Petition to Change a Parenting Plan or Custody Order.* All temporary orders are ended.
  - [] **Approved** The court approves the *Petition*. All temporary orders are ended. The court signed the following orders filed separately today or on *(date)*: \_\_\_\_\_.

[]	Parenting Plan/Residential Schedule	[]	Protection Order
[]	Child Support Order	[]	Restraining Order

- [ ] Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- [] The guardian ad litem is discharged.
- [] Check this box if the court previously signed a <u>temporary</u> Restraining Order and is **not** signing a <u>final</u> Restraining Order in this case. Also check the "Clerk's action required" box in the caption on page 1.

Name of law enforcement agency where the Protected Person lived when the *Restraining Order* was issued: \_\_\_\_\_

**To the Clerk:** Provide a copy of this Order to the agency listed above within 1 court day. The law enforcement agency must remove the <u>temporary</u> *Restraining Order* from the state's database.

#### **12. Other Orders** (if any)

Ordered.		
	▶	
Date	Judge or Commissioner	
Petitioner and Responder This document (check any a	or their lawyers fill out below. at apply): This document (check any that apply):	
[] is an agreement of the p		
[] is presented by me	[ ] is presented by me	
[] may be signed by the co	t without notice to [ ] may be signed by the court without notice	
me	me	
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Petitioner signs here <b>or</b> law	er signs here WSBA #	
Print Name	Date	
•	•	
Respondent signs here <b>or</b> l	vyer signs here WSBA #	
Print Name	Date	

Superior Court of Washington,	County of
In re: Petitioner/s (person/s who started this case):	No. Child Support Order
And Respondent/s (other party/parties):	Child Support Order [ ] Temporary (TMORS) [ ] Final (ORS) Clerk's action required: WSSR, 1

## **Child Support Order**

#### 1. Money Judgment Summary

[] No money judgment is ordered.

[] Summarize any money judgments from section *23* in the table below.

Judgment for	Debtor's name (person who must pay money)	Creditor's name (person who must be paid)	Amount	Interest
Past due child support from to			\$	\$
Past due medical support from to			\$	\$
Past due children's exp. from to			\$	\$
Other amounts (describe):			\$	\$
Yearly Interest Rate for child For other judgments:			enses: 12%.	
Lawyer (name): Represents (name):				
Lawyer (name):		Represents ( <i>name</i> ):		

Child Support Order

#### Findings and Orders

- 2. The court orders child support as part of this family law case. This is a (*check one*):
  [] temporary order. [] final order.
- **3.** The *Child Support Schedule Worksheets* attached or filed separately are approved by the court and made part of this order.

#### 4. Parents' contact and employment information

Each parent must fill out and file with the court a *Confidential Information* form (FL All Family 001) including personal identifying information, mailing address, home address, and employer contact information.

*Important!* If you move or get a new job any time while support is still owed, you must:

- Notify the Support Registry, and
- Fill out and file an updated Confidential Information form with the court.

*Warning!* Any notice of a child support action delivered to the last address you provided on the *Confidential Information* form will be considered adequate notice, if the party trying to serve you has shown diligent efforts to locate you.

#### 5. Parents' Income

Parent (name):	Parent (name):
Net monthly income \$ (line 3 of the Worksheets)	Net monthly income \$ (line 3 of the Worksheets)
This income is (check one):	This income is (check one):
[] imputed to this parent. (Skip to 6.)	[] imputed to this parent. (Skip to 6.)
[ ] this parent's actual income (after any exclusions approved below).	[ ] this parent's actual income (after any exclusions approved below).
Does this parent have income from overtime or a second job?	Does this parent have income from overtime or a second job?
[] No. ( <i>Skip to</i> <b>6</b> .)	[] No. ( <i>Skip to</i> <b>6</b> .)
[] Yes. (Fill out below.)	[] Yes. (Fill out below.)
Should this income be excluded? (check one):	Should this income be excluded? (check one):
[] No. The court has <b>included</b> this income in this parent's gross monthly income on line 1 of the <i>Worksheets</i> .	[] No. The court has <b>included</b> this income in this parent's gross monthly income on line 1 of the <i>Worksheets</i> .
<ul> <li>[] Yes. This income should be excluded because:</li> <li>This parent worked over 40 hours per week averaged over 12 months, and</li> <li>That income was earned to pay for <ul> <li>[] current family needs</li> <li>[] debts from a past relationship</li> <li>[] child support debt, and</li> </ul> </li> <li>This parent will stop earning this extra income after paying these debts.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>[] Yes. This income should be excluded because:</li> <li>This parent worked over 40 hours per week averaged over 12 months, and</li> <li>That income was earned to pay for <ul> <li>[] current family needs [] debts from a past relationship [] child support debt, and</li> <li>This parent will stop earning this extra income after paying these debts.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Parent (name):	Parent (name):
The court has <b>excluded \$</b>	The court has <b>excluded \$</b>
from this parent's gross monthly income on	from this parent's gross monthly income on
line 1 of the <i>Worksheets</i> . [] Other findings:	line 1 of the <i>Worksheets</i> . [] Other findings:

#### 6. Imputed Income

To calculate child support, the court may **impute** income to a parent:

- whose income is unknown, or
- who the court finds is unemployed or under-employed by choice.

Imputed income is not actual income. It is an assigned amount the court finds a parent could or should be earning. (RCW 26.19.071(6))

Parent (name):	Parent (name):	
[] Does not apply. This parent's actual income is used. ( <i>Skip to</i> <b>7</b> .)	[] Does not apply. This parent's actual income is used. ( <i>Skip to</i> <b>7</b> .)	
<ul> <li>[] This parent's monthly net income is imputed because (<i>check one</i>):</li> <li>[] this parent's income is unknown.</li> <li>[] this parent is voluntarily unemployed.</li> <li>[] this parent is voluntarily under-employed.</li> <li>[] this parent works full-time but is purposely under-employed to reduce child support.</li> <li>[] this parent is currently enrolled in high school full-time and is voluntarily unemployed or under-employed.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>This parent's monthly net income is imputed because (<i>check one</i>):         <ol> <li>this parent's income is unknown.</li> <li>this parent is voluntarily unemployed.</li> <li>this parent is voluntarily under-employed.</li> <li>this parent works full-time but is purposely under-employed to reduce child support.</li> <li>this parent is currently enrolled in high school full-time and is voluntarily unemployed or under-employed.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	
<ul> <li>The imputed amount is based on the information below: (Options are listed in order of required priority. The court used the first option possible based on the information it had unless a presumed option was rebutted.)</li> <li>[] Pay for 20 hours per week at the minimum wage where this parent lives because this parent is enrolled in high school full-time and is voluntarily unemployed or underemployed.</li> <li>[] Full-time pay at current pay rate.</li> <li>[] Full-time pay based on reliable information about past earnings.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The imputed amount is based on the information below: (Options are listed in order of required priority. The court used the first option possible based on the information it had unless a presumed option was rebutted.)</li> <li>[] Pay for 20 hours per week at the minimum wage where this parent lives because this parent is enrolled in high school full-time and is voluntarily unemployed or underemployed.</li> <li>[] Full-time pay at current pay rate.</li> <li>[] Full-time pay based on reliable information about past earnings.</li> </ul>	
[] Full-time pay based on incomplete or	[] Full-time pay based on incomplete or	

Parent	(name):	Parent (name):
	irregular information about past earnings.	irregular information about past earnings.
[]	Pay for 32 hours per week at the minimum wage where this parent lives because this parent:	[] Pay for 32 hours per week at the minimum wage where this parent lives because this parent:
	[] recently graduated from high school.	[] recently graduated from high school.
	[ ] is on TANF now, or recently came off TANF, public assistance, SSI, or disability.	[ ] is on TANF now, or recently came off TANF, public assistance, SSI, or disability.
	[] was recently incarcerated.	[] was recently incarcerated.
[]	Full-time pay at the minimum wage where the parent lives because this parent ( <i>check</i> <i>all that apply</i> ):	[] Full-time pay at the minimum wage where the parent lives because this parent ( <i>check</i> <i>all that apply</i> ):
	[] recently worked at minimum wage jobs.	[] recently worked at minimum wage jobs
	[] has never been employed.	[] has never been employed.
	[] does not have information about past earnings.	[ ] does not have information about past earnings.
[]	Table of Median Net Monthly Income.	[] Table of Median Net Monthly Income.
[]	Other (specify):	[] Other (specify):

#### 7. Limits affecting the monthly child support amount

- [] Does not apply. The monthly amount was not affected by the upper or lower limits in RCW 26.19.065.
- [] The monthly amount has been affected by (check all that apply):
  - [] **Low-income limits.** The self-support reserve and presumptive minimum payment have been calculated in the *Worksheets*, lines 8.a. c.
  - [] **The 45% net income limit.** The court finds that the paying parent's child support obligations for their biological and legal children are more than 45% of their net income (*Worksheets* line 18). Based on the children's best interests and the parents' circumstances, it is (*check one*): [] fair. [] **not** fair to apply the 45% limit. (*Describe both parents' situations*):
  - [] **Combined Monthly Net Income over \$12,000.** Together, the parents earn more than \$12,000 per month (*Worksheets* line 4). The child support amount (*check one*):
    - [] is the presumptive amount from the economic table.
    - [] is more than the presumptive amount from the economic table because (specify):

#### 8. Standard Calculation

Parent Name	Standard calculation worksheets line 17
	\$
	\$

## [] **Check here if there is a residential split** – (each parent has at least one of the children from this relationship living with them most of the time.)

These children (names and ages):	These children (names and ages):
Live with (parent's name):	Live with (parent's name):

The standard calculation for the parent paying support is \$\_\_\_\_\_. This is from (*check one*):

- [] The Attachment for Residential Split Adjustment (Arvey calculation), line G (form WSCSS–Attachment for RSA). This Attachment to the Child Support Schedule Worksheets is approved by the court and made part of this Order.
- [] Other calculation (specify method and attach Worksheet/s):

#### 9. Deviation from standard calculation

Should the monthly child support amount be different from the standard calculation?

- [] **No** The monthly child support amount ordered in section **10** is the **same** as the standard calculation listed in section **8** because (*check one*):
  - [] No one asked for a deviation from the standard calculation. (Skip to 10.)
  - [] There is not a good reason to approve the deviation requested by (*name/s*): \_\_\_\_\_

- [] detailed in the *Worksheets*, Part VIII, lines 20 through 26.
- [] the parent asking for a deviation:
  - [ ] has a new spouse or domestic partner with income of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
  - [] lives in a household where other adults have income of \$
  - [] has income from overtime or a second job that was excluded in section **5** above.
- [] other (specify):

\_\_\_\_\_. The facts supporting this decision are (*check all that apply*):

- [] **Yes** The monthly child support amount ordered in section **10** is **different** from the standard calculation listed in section **8** because (*check all that apply*):
  - [] A parent or parents in this case has:
    - [] children from other relationships.
    - [] paid or received child support for children from other relationships.
    - [] gifts, prizes, or other assets.
    - [] income that is not regular (non-recurring income) such as bonuses, overtime, etc.
    - [] unusual unplanned debt (extraordinary debt not voluntarily incurred).
    - [] tax planning considerations that will not reduce the economic benefit to the children.
    - [] very different living costs, which are beyond their control.
  - [] The children in this case:
    - [] spend significant time with the parent who owes support. The non-standard amount still gives the other parent's household enough money for the children's basic needs. The children do not get public assistance (TANF).
    - [] have extraordinary income.
    - [] have special needs because of a disability.
    - [] have special medical, educational, or psychological needs.
  - [] There are (or will be) costs for court-ordered reunification or a voluntary placement agreement.
  - [] The parent who owes support has shown it is not fair to have to pay the \$50 per child presumptive minimum payment.
  - [] The parent who is owed support has shown it is not fair to apply the selfsupport reserve (calculated on lines 8.a. – c. of the *Worksheets*).
  - [] Other reasons:

### The facts that support the reasons checked above are (check all that apply):

- [] detailed in the Worksheets, Part VIII, lines 20 through 26.
- [] the parent asking for a deviation:
  - [] has a new spouse or domestic partner with income of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
  - [] lives in a household where other adults have income of \$\_\_\_\_\_
  - [] has income from overtime or a second job that was excluded in section **5** above.
- [] as follows: \_\_\_\_

#### 10. Monthly child support amount (transfer payment)

After considering the standard calculation in section **8**, and whether or not to apply a deviation in section **9**, the court orders the following monthly child support amount (transfer payment).

#### [] (Name): \_\_\_\_\_

must pay child

support to (*name*): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ each month as follows for the children listed below (*add lines for additional children if needed*):

	Child's Name	Age	Amount
1.			\$
2.			\$
3.			\$
4.			\$
5.			\$
	Total monthly child su		\$

# [] **Residential Split** – Each parent has at least one of the children from this relationship living with them most of the time. (*Name*): \_\_\_\_\_ must pay child support to (*name*): \_\_\_\_\_ each month as follows:

#### Total monthly child support amount: \$

#### 11. Starting date and payment schedule

The monthly child support amount must be paid starting (*month, year*): \_\_\_\_\_\_ on the following payment schedule:

- [] in one payment each month by the <u>day of the month</u>.
- [] in two payments each month:  $\frac{1}{2}$  by the \_\_\_\_\_ and  $\frac{1}{2}$  by the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the month.
- [] other (*specify*):

#### 12. Step increase or decrease (for modifications or adjustments only)

- [] Does not apply.
- [] **Approved** The court is changing a final child support order. The monthly child support amount is increasing or decreasing by more than 30 percent from the last final child support order. This causes significant financial hardship to the parent who owes or receives support, so the increase will be applied in two equal steps:
  - On (*date*): \_\_\_\_\_, six months after the Starting Date in section **11**, the monthly child support amount will be the full amount listed in section **10**.
  - For 6 months from the Starting Date in section **11** above, the monthly child support amount will be an amount exactly half way between the old monthly amount and the new monthly amount for a total of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ each month.
- [] **Denied** The court is changing a final child support order (*check one*):
  - $[ \ ]$  but the monthly payment increased or decreased by less than 30%.
  - [] and the monthly payment increased by more than 30%, but this does not cause a significant hardship to the parent who owes support.

[] and the monthly payment decreased by more than 30%, but this does not cause a significant hardship to the parent who receives support.

#### 13. Periodic Adjustment

- [] Child support may be changed according to state law. The court is not ordering a specific periodic adjustment schedule below.
- [] Any party may ask the court to adjust child support periodically on the following schedule **without** showing a substantial change of circumstances:

The *Motion to Adjust Child Support Order* may be filed:

- [] every \_\_\_\_ months.
- [ ] on (*date/s*): \_\_\_\_\_
- [ ] other (describe condition or event): \_\_\_\_\_

*Important!* A party must file a Motion to Adjust Child Support Order (form FL Modify 521), and the court must approve a new Child Support Order for any adjustment to take effect.

[] Deadlines, if any (for example, deadline to exchange financial information, deadline to file the motion):

#### 14. Payment Method (check either Registry or Direct Pay)

[] **Registry** – Send payment to the Washington State Support Registry. The Division of Child Support (DCS) will forward payments to the person owed support and keep records of all payments.

Address for payment:	Washington State Support Registry PO Box 45868, Olympia, WA 98504
Phone number/s:	1 (800) 922-4306 or 1 (800) 442-5437

*Important!* If you are ordered to send your support payments to the Washington State Support Registry, and you pay some other person or organization, you will **not** get credit for your payment.

DCS Enforcement (if Registry is checked above):

- [] DCS will **enforce** this order because (*check all that apply*):
  - [] this is a public assistance case.
  - [] one of the parties has already asked DCS for services.
  - [] one of the parties has asked for DCS services by signing the application statement at the end of this order (above the *Warnings*).
- [] DCS will **not** enforce this order unless one of the parties applies for DCS services or the children go on public assistance.
- [] **Direct Pay** Send payment to the other parent or non-parent custodian by:
  - [] mail to:

## Street Address or PO Box City State

Zip

or any new address the person owed support provides to the parent who owes support. (*This does not have to be a home address.*)

[] other method:

#### 15. Enforcement through income withholding (garnishment)

DCS or the person owed support can collect the support owed from the income, earnings, assets, or benefits of the parent who owes support, and can enforce liens against real or personal property as allowed by any state's child support laws without notice to the parent who owes the support.

If this order is **not** being enforced by DCS and the person owed support wants to have support paid directly from the employer, the person owed support must ask the court to sign a separate income withholding order requiring the employer to withhold income and make payments. (Chapter 26.18 RCW.)

Income withholding may be delayed until a payment becomes past due if the court finds good reason to delay.

- [] Does not apply. There is no good reason to delay income withholding.
- [] Income withholding will be **delayed** until a payment becomes past due because (*check one*):
  - [] the child support payments are enforced by DCS, and there are good reasons in the children's best interest **not** to withhold income at this time. If this is a case about changing child support, previously ordered child support has been paid on time.

List the good reasons here: \_\_\_\_\_

[] the child support payments are **not** enforced by DCS and there are good reasons **not** to withhold income at this time.

List the good reasons here: \_\_\_\_\_

[] the court has approved the parents' written agreement for a different payment arrangement.

#### 16. Temporary reduction if incarcerated (abatement)

*Important!* Read Support Abatement Warnings at the end of this order.

If the person who owes support is incarcerated:

- The total monthly child support amount may be temporarily reduced to \$10 while the person who owes support is in jail, prison, or a correctional facility for at least six months (or serving a sentence of more than six months), and has no income or assets available to pay the support.
- If reduced, the support amount will be \$10 a month.
- Beginning the fourth month after the person who owes support is released, support will be 50% of the original amount, or \$50 per child, whichever is more.

- One year after release, support will return to the original amount in section 10.
- Reinstatement of the support amount at 50% does not automatically apply, if a Petition to Modify Child Support Order is filed during the period of abatement.
- [] The person who owes support qualifies for abatement. Monthly child support is temporarily reduced (abated) to \$10 and will be reinstated as described above.

#### 17. End date for support

Support must be paid for each child until the court signs a different order or (check one):

- [] the child turns 18 or is no longer enrolled in high school, whichever happens last, unless the court makes a different order in section 18.
- [] the child turns 18 or is emancipated, unless the court makes a different order in section 18.
- [] after (*child's name*): turns 18. Based on information available to the court, it is expected that this child will be unable to support them self and will remain dependent past the age of 18. Support must be paid until (check one):
  - [] this child is able to support themselves and is no longer dependent on the parents.
  - [] other:
- other (specify):

#### 18. Post-secondary educational support (for college or vocational school)

- [] **Reserved** A parent or non-parent custodian may ask the court for post-secondary educational support at a later date without showing a substantial change of circumstances by filing a Petition to Modify Child Support Order (form FL Modify 501). The *Petition* must be filed *before* child support ends as listed in section **17**.
- [] Granted The parents must pay for the children's post-secondary educational support. Post-secondary educational support may include support for the period after high school and before college or vocational school begins. The amount or percentage each person must pay (check one):
  - [] will be decided later. The parties may make a written agreement or ask the court to set the amount or percentage by filing a Petition to Modify Child Support Order (form FL Modify 501).
  - [ ] is as follows (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- [] **Denied** The request for post-secondary educational support is denied.
- Other (specify):

#### 19. Tax Issues

*Important!* Although personal tax exemptions are currently suspended under federal law through tax year 2025, other tax benefits may flow from claiming a child as dependent.

- [] The parties will follow the law and IRS rules about claiming children on tax forms.
- [] The parties have the right to claim the children as their dependents for purposes of personal tax exemptions and associated tax credits on their tax forms as follows (*check one*):
  - [] Every year (*name*):

has the right to claim (*children's names*): \_\_\_\_\_

and (*name*):\_\_\_\_\_\_

has the right to claim (*children's names*): \_\_\_\_\_

- Other (*specify*):

For tax years when a non-custodial parent has the right to claim the children, the parents **must** cooperate to fill out and submit IRS Form 8332 in a timely manner.

#### 20. Medical Support

*Important!* Read the Medical Support Warnings at the end of this order. Medical Support includes health insurance (both public and private) and cash payments towards premiums and uninsured medical expenses.

- [] The court is not ordering how healthcare coverage must be provided for the children because the court does not have enough information to determine the availability of accessible healthcare coverage for the children (coverage that could be used for the children's primary care). The law requires every parent to provide or pay for medical support. DCS or any parent can enforce this requirement. (*Skip to 21*.)
- [] **Private health insurance ordered**. (*Name*): \_\_\_\_\_\_ must pay the premium to provide health insurance coverage for the children. The court has considered the needs of the children, the cost and extent of coverage, and the accessibility of coverage.
  - [] The other parent must pay their proportional share\* of the premium paid. Health insurance premiums (*check one*):
    - [] are included on the *Worksheets* (line 14). No separate payment is needed.
    - [] are **not** included on the *Worksheets*. Separate payment is needed. A parent or non-parent custodian may ask DCS or the court to enforce payment for the proportional share.
      - \* Proportional share is each parent's percentage share of the combined net income from line 6 of the Child Support Schedule Worksheets.

[] The other parent is **not** ordered to pay for any part of the children's insurance because (*explain*): \_\_\_\_\_

A parent cannot be excused from providing health insurance coverage through an employer or union solely because the child receives public healthcare coverage.

[] A parent has been ordered to pay an amount that is more than 25% of their basic support obligation (*Worksheets,* line 19). The court finds this is in the children's best interest because:

A parent cannot be ordered to pay an amount towards healthcare coverage premiums that is more than 25% of their basic support obligation (Worksheets, line 19) unless the court finds it is in the best interest of the children.

- [] **Public healthcare coverage**. (*Name*): \_\_\_\_\_\_ has enrolled the child in public healthcare coverage and does not have available at no cost, accessible health insurance coverage through an employer or union.
  - [] The other parent must enroll the child in accessible health insurance coverage through their employer or union up to 25% of their basic support obligation.
  - [] The other parent must pay their proportional share\* of the premium for public healthcare coverage for the child. Public healthcare premiums (*check one*):
    - [] are included on the *Worksheets* (line 14). No separate payment is needed.
    - [] are **not** included on the *Worksheets*. Separate payment is needed. A parent or non-parent custodian may ask DCS or the court to enforce payment for the proportional share.
      - \* Proportional share is each parent's percentage share of the combined net income from line 6 of the Child Support Schedule Worksheets.
  - [] The other parent is **not** ordered to pay for any part of the children's healthcare coverage because (*explain*):

A parent cannot be excused from providing health insurance coverage through an employer or union solely because the child receives public healthcare coverage.

- [] A parent has been ordered to pay an amount that is more than 25% of their basic support obligation (*Worksheets*, line 19). The court finds this is in the children's best interest because:
- [] Other (specify):

#### 21. Healthcare coverage if circumstances change or court has not ordered

If the parties' circumstances change, or if the court is not ordering how healthcare coverage must be provided for the children in section **20**:

• A parent, non-parent custodian, or DCS can enforce the medical support requirement.

- If a parent does not provide proof of accessible healthcare coverage (coverage that can be used for the children's primary care), that parent must:
  - Get (or keep) insurance through their work or union, unless the insurance costs more than 25% of their basic support obligation (line 19 of the *Worksheets*),
  - Pay their share of the other parent's monthly premium up to 25% of their basic support obligation (line 19 of the *Worksheets*), or
  - Pay their share of the monthly cost of any public healthcare coverage, such as Apple Health or Medicaid, which is assigned to the state.

#### 22. Children's expenses <u>not</u> included in the monthly child support amount

**Uninsured medical expenses** – Each parent is responsible for a share of uninsured medical expenses as ordered below. Uninsured medical expenses include premiums, co-pays, deductibles, and other healthcare costs not paid by healthcare coverage.

	Parent (name):	Parent (name):		ments to:
Children's	r arent ( <i>name</i> ).	raient (name).		Service
Expenses for:	pays monthly	pays monthly		Provider
Uninsured medical expenses	Proportional Share*	Proportional Share*	[]	[]

\* Proportional Share is each parent's percentage share of the combined net income from line 6 of the Child Support Schedule Worksheets.

#### Other shared expenses (check one):

- [] Does not apply. The monthly amount covers all expenses, except healthcare expenses.
- [] The parents will share the cost of the expenses listed below (check all that apply)):

	Parent (name):	Parent (name):	Make pay	ments to:
Children's Expenses for:	pays monthly	pays monthly	Person who pays the expense	Service Provider
[ ] Day care: 	[] Proportional Share* []\$%**	[] Proportional Share* []\$%**	[]	[]
[] Education: 	[ ] Proportional Share* [ ] \$%**	[ ] Proportional Share* [ ] \$%**	[]	[]
[] Long-distance transportation:	[ ] Proportional Share* [ ] \$	[ ] Proportional Share* [ ] \$%**	[]	[]

	Parent (name):	Parent (name):	Make pay	ments to:
Children's			Person who pays the	Service
Expenses for:	pays monthly	pays monthly	expense	Provider
[] Other ( <i>specify</i> ):	[ ] Proportional Share* [ ] \$%**	[ ] Proportional Share* [ ] \$%**	[]	[]

\* Proportional Share is each parent's percentage share of the combined net income from line 6 of the Child Support Schedule Worksheets.

\*\* If any percentages ordered are different from the Proportional Share, explain why:

[] Other (give more detail about covered expenses here, if needed):

#### A person receiving support can ask DCS to collect:

- expenses owed directly to them.
- reimbursement for expenses the person providing support was ordered to pay.
- an order for a money judgment from the court.

#### 23. <u>Past due</u> child support, medical support and other expenses

- [] This order does not address any past due amounts or interest owed.
- [] As of (date): \_\_\_\_\_, no parent owes (check all that apply):
  - [] past due child support
- no parent owes (cneck all that apply):
   [] interest on past due child support
- [] past due medical support
- [] interest on past due medical support
- [] past due other expenses
- [] interest on past due other expenses
- to (*check all that apply*): [] the other parent or non-parent custodian [] the state.
  [] The court orders the following **money judgments** (*summarized in section* **1** *above*):

Judgment for	<b>Debtor's name</b> (person who must pay money)	Creditor's name (person who must be paid)	Amount	Interest
[] Past due child support fromto			\$	\$

Judgment for	Debtor's name (person who must pay money)	Creditor's name (person who must be paid)	Amount	Interest
[ ] Past due medical support (health insurance & healthcare costs not covered by insurance) fromto			\$	\$
[ ] Past due expenses for: [ ] day care [ ] education [ ] long-distance transp. fromto			\$	\$
[] Other ( <i>describe</i> ):			\$	\$

The **interest rate** for child support judgments is 12%.

[] Other (specify):

#### 24. Overpayment caused by change

- [] Does not apply.
- [ ] The *Order* signed by the court today or on date: \_\_\_\_\_\_. caused an overpayment of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

  - [] The overpayment shall be credited against the monthly support amount owed each month at the rate of \$\_\_\_\_\_ each month until paid off.
  - [] Other (specify):

#### 25. Other Orders

All of the *Warnings* below are required by law and are incorporated and made part of this order.

[] Other (specify):

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t below:
document ( <i>check any that apply</i> ): an agreement of the parties presented by me ay be signed by the court without notice to me ondent signs here <b>or</b> lawyer signs here + WSBA No
Name Date
nd WSBA No. Date
<b>Division of Child Support enforceme</b> will keep \$35 each year as a fee if DCS collects mo n advance. (You may call DCS at 1-800-442-5437. tribal TANF, or AFDC.)
ame Date
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- DOL or other licensing agencies may deny, suspend, or refuse to renew your licenses, including your driver's license and business or professional licenses, and
- Dept. of Fish and Wildlife may suspend or refuse to issue your fishing and hunting licenses and you may not be able to get permits. (RCW 74.20A.320)

#### If you <u>receive</u> child support...

You may have to:

- Document how that support and any cash received for the children's healthcare was spent.
- Repay the other parent for any daycare or special expenses included in the support if you didn't actually have those expenses. (*RCW 26.19.080*)

#### Support Abatement Warnings!

The Division of Child Support (DCS), the person required to pay support, the payee under this order, or the person entitled to receive support **may ask the court or DCS to temporarily reduce** child support to \$10 per month when the person required to pay support is in jail, prison, or a correctional facility for at least six months, or serving a sentence of more than six months.

There is a rebuttable presumption that an incarcerated person cannot pay child support. DCS, the payee under this order, or the person receiving the support may overcome the presumption by showing that the person required to pay support has income or other assets available to pay support.

When a request for abatement is made, DCS will review its records and other available information, and decide if abatement is appropriate. DCS will send notice of the decision to the person required to pay support, and to the payee under this order or the person entitled to receive support. Any of those persons may object to DCS's decision.

If at any point during the period of incarceration, a person or DCS later learns of income or other assets available to pay support, a request to terminate or reverse the abatement may be made through DCS or the Office of Administrative Hearings.

#### Medical Support Warnings!

The parents must keep the Support Registry informed about whether they have access to healthcare coverage for the children at a reasonable cost and to provide the policy information for any such coverage.

#### If you are ordered to provide children's healthcare coverage...

You have **20 days** from the date of this order to send:

- proof that the children are covered , or
- proof that healthcare coverage is not available as ordered.

Send your proof to the other parent or to the Support Registry (if your payments go there).

If you do **not** provide proof of healthcare coverage:

- The other parent or the support agency may contact your employer or union, without notifying you, to ask for direct enforcement of this order (*RCW 26.18.170*), and
- The other parent may:
  - Ask the DCS for help,
  - Ask the court for a contempt order, or
  - File a Petition in court.

**Don't** cancel your employer or union health insurance for your children unless the court approves or your job ends, and you no longer qualify for insurance as ordered in section **20**.

If an insurer sends you payment for a medical provider's service:

- you must send it to the medical provider if the provider has not been paid; or
- you must send the payment to whoever paid the provider if someone else paid the provider; or
- you may keep the payment if you paid the provider.

If the children have public healthcare coverage, the state can make you pay for the cost of the monthly premium.

Always inform the Support Registry and any parent if your access to healthcare coverage changes or ends.

Superior Court of Washington, County of		
In re:		
Petitioner/s (person/s who started this case):	No	
And Respondent/s (other party/parties):	<ul> <li>Sealed Financial Source Documents (Cover Sheet)</li> <li>(SEALFN)</li> <li>Clerk's action required.</li> </ul>	
	For use in Family Law and Guardianship cases.	

## **Sealed Financial Source Documents** (Cover Sheet)

Use this form as a cover sheet to keep your financial documents private from the public. On the first page of each document, write the word "SEALED" 1 inch from the top of the page.

Check the documents you are attaching to this cover sheet to be sealed:

	Print name (if lawyer, also provide WSBA #)         nd the lawyers in your case can see your sealed documents. If you need to keep         e for safety reasons, you may cross out or delete your address information.         Sealed Financial Source Documents
<i>Important!</i> The other person an	nd the lawyers in your case can see your <b>sealed</b> documents. If you need to keep
Sign here	Print name (if lawyer, also provide WSBA #)
Submitted by:  Petitione	r or his/her lawyer 🔲 Respondent or his/her lawyer
Other financial information	on sealed by court order <i>(specify):</i>
Check registers	Retirement plan orders
Checks or the equivalent	Loan application documents
Credit card statements	Bank statements

In re:	
Petitioner(s):	No
and	Notice of Hearing of Motion Family Law Calendar and Instructions on Appearing for Hearing
Respondent(s):	<ul> <li>Temporary Orders</li> <li>Adequate Cause</li> <li>Other</li> </ul>
	(please check appropriate box above)
	COURT DATE
	Clerk's action required: F1
	LR 94.04 and LR 40 (NTHG)

#### Superior Court of Washington, County of Spokane

TO: Detitioner DRespondent and your Attorney\_

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the motion/petition of  $\Box$ Petitioner  $\Box$ Respondent, a copy of which is attached along with supporting affidavits/declarations and/or memorandum of authorities, will be heard before the Court Commissioner assigned to hear the Family Law Calendar on:

\*Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/ Friday (circle one) \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_ at a time to be determined

(Date)

#### YOU MUST CONTACT THE FAMILY LAW DEPARTMENT AT <u>FAMILYLAW@SPOKANECOUNTY.ORG</u> BY 4 P.M. THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE YOUR HEARING DATE TO CONFIRM YOUR READINESS

\* It is the moving party's responsibility to make sure the motion is set on the assigned Court Commissioner's motion day.

**\*If the non-moving party does not appear, this motion may be granted.** NOTICE OF HEARING OF MOTION-FAMILY LAW CALENDAR COVID-19/ZOOM To appear in person: 1116 W. Broadway, Spokane, WA 99260 – check docket for courtroom

To appear by video on zoom: (1) log onto: zoom.us or open zoom app; (2) click "join"; (3) enter commissioner zoom ID below.

\* Parties who want to appear by phone on zoom must obtain prior permission in courtroom 202.

Your assigned judicial officer's Zoom Meeting ID number is marked with an X in the left column.

Assigned Judicial Officer	Zoom Meeting ID
Chavez	461 683 7190
Pelc	523 109 8521
Ressa	382 218 4754
Rugel	680 342 2980
Scharosch	823 091 1413
Stewart	968 843 4881
Swennumson	409 955 7821

The Court will schedule hearing times and assignments as outlined in Family Law Procedures on spokanecounty.org. Parties shall access their hearing time and assignment at noon two days before the hearing by locating the docket online at: <u>https://www.spokanecounty.org/1688/Assignments-Calendar-Schedules</u> or

https://www.spokanecounty.org/1397/Family-Court

If you do not agree with the motion/petition, you must respond in writing, in the form of an affidavit or declaration, and file the original with the Clerk of Court and serve a copy on the other party or their attorney at least seven days before the hearing date. The moving party may reply to your response by filing the original with the Clerk of Court and serving you a copy at least three days before the hearing. If the motion/petition is asking for financial relief (temporary child support, spousal maintenance or attorney's fees), you <u>MUST</u> submit a Financial Declaration (form WPF DR 01.0550).

The hearing will be based on the affidavits/declarations submitted and each side may be allowed ten minutes of argument, with oral testimony only when permitted by prior court order.

You are further notified that if the motion has raised issues of law for the Court to consider, you must complete the "Authorities" section below. Don't file this section if it is blank.

Signature of Attorney/Moving Party
Bar No.:

Printed Name

Notice to moving party: You must provide an address where you agree to accept documents.

Address

Email

Phone Number

(Cite those authorities, which form primary basis for your legal position. Where case authority is cited, provide reference to specific page of opinion, which is controlling. Likewise reference applicable sections of subsection of statutes or court rules. This does not substitute for a Memorandum of Authorities.) Applicable Court Rule:

Applicable Statute:

Applicable Case Law:

#### Superior Court of Washington, County of Spokane

In re:	
Petitioner/s (person/s who started this case):	No
	Motion to Finalize Minor
And Respondent/s (other party/parties):	Modification of Parenting Plan
	No Mandatory Form

### Motion to Finalize Minor Modification of Parenting Plan

You must schedule any hearings before the Commissioner assigned your case. To determine if your case has been assigned to a Court Commissioner and/or to determine which day your assigned Commissioner is scheduled to hear motions, please see the Court's web page:

https://wa-spokanecounty.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/4266/Court-Commissioners-Daily-Calendar-Rotation-Schedule-PDF?bidId=

**OR** call the Superior Court Clerk's Office at 509-477-2211.

You must choose the day that is appropriate for your matter. The date should be at least 14 days from the date you file the documents in court and serve them on the other party, not including the date of service on the other party.

You **must** use the following form to schedule your motion:

() Notice of Hearing of Family Law Motion Calendar:

https://www.spokanecounty.org/DocumentCenter/View/3627/Notice-of-Hearing-of-Motion-for-Family-Law-Calendar-PDF

#### **1.** Relief Requested:

My name is: \_\_\_\_\_. I ask the court to approve the following documents to finalize a minor modification of the parenting plan in this action:

#### 2. Legal Authority

Adequate Cause was found by the court, as evidenced by the Order on Adequate Cause to Change a Parenting/Custody Order, signed by the Court on: \_\_\_\_\_\_

- **3. Proposed Orders** shall be presented at the hearing date set for this Motion.
- 4. PLEASE NOTE: The party seeking to finalize the modification <u>must call in the case</u> as "ready" using the Family Law Center main line of 509-477-5702 extension -0-, and provide a copy of the signed mandatory local form Family Law/Paternity Motion Status Report <u>https://www.spokanecounty.org/DocumentCenter/View/3675/Family-Law-Paternity-Motion-Status-Report-PDF</u> with bench copies to the Family Law Center (Room 200 of the Spokane County Courthouse) by 4 p.m., three court days prior to the hearing.

#### Person making this motion fills out below

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the facts I have provided on this form are true.

Signed at (city and state):

Date:
Person making this motion signs here
Print name here
I agree to accept legal papers for this case at (check one):
the following address (this does not have to be your home address):

street address or PO box	city	state zip
(Optional) email:		

(If this address changes before the case ends, you **must** notify all parties and the court clerk in writing. You may use the Notice of Address Change form (FL All Family 120). You must also update your Confidential Information form (FL All Family 001) if this case involves parentage or child support.)

#### JOINT MOTION STATUS SHEET FAMILY LAW / PATERNITY

FILL OUT ENTIRE FOI	RM OR YOUR CASE WIL	<u>L NOT BE SET ON THE E</u>	<u>OOCKET</u>
MOTION HEARING DATE:	ASSIGNED COM	MISSIONER:	
Court File No:	/ Name of Case:	V	
Motion(s) filed on	Dkt. #		
**THE MOTION(S) SET FOR HEAI	RING IS/ARE (check all t	<u>nat apply):</u>	
Temporary Orders (New Case):	<ul> <li>Parenting Plan/Resider</li> <li>Financial Issues</li> <li>Other:</li> </ul>	ntial Schedule	
Contempt of Court Re:	<ul> <li>Parenting Plan/Resider</li> <li>Financial Issues</li> <li>Other:</li> </ul>	ntial Schedule	
Adequate Cause for custody modified	cation Change of place	ment is requested	
Relocation Temporary Reloca	tion is requested		
Modification of Temporary Order(s)	Financial Issues	Residential Schedule	
Other Issues:			-

Objections to <u>late</u> filed declarations (If available, identify the docket number of the document):

## **DOCUMENTS TO BE READ BY COURT:** See Local Special Proceedings Rule (LSPR) 94.04(h) (Continue on separate page if needed).

Docket #1	Date filed	Name of Document	# of Pages

Failure of the parties to confer and participate in the completion of this motion status sheet in good faith may result in the hearing being continued/stricken and/or the imposition of sanctions.

Petitioner/Attorney for petitioner

Respondent/Attorney for respondent

Guardian ad Litem

<sup>1</sup> Docket numbers may be found on the Spokane County Court Viewer: <u>https://cp.spokanecounty.org/courtdocumentviewer/</u> or at the Clerk's Office – Room 300.

(Joint Motion Status Sheet Form - FL CAO - Revised 4/2018; 1/2019; 3/2022; 12/2023)

# **GR 34** (WAIVER OF CIVIL FILING FEE AND SURCHARGES)

#### SPOKANE COUNTY FAMILY COURT FACILITATOR

#### Checklist of Steps to Complete:

1. If you are on a low or fixed income and feel you may qualify to have all or part of the filing fee waived, pick up in Clerk's Office, Room 300, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, Cashier's Window and fill out the **GR 34 Motion and Declaration for Waiver of Civil Filing Fees and Surcharges** (fee waiver form) completely and sign. Print clearly in black ink or type.

Current filing fees are as follows:

- \$314 for divorce, legal separation or invalidity action;
- \$260 for paternity action;
- \$260 for minor guardianship action;
- \$56 modification of child support or parenting plan/custody decree action;
- \$260 for modification of out of county or out of state order
- 2. Make one copy of the original form for your records.

3. Take all original documents you intend to file and the **GR 34 Motion and Declaration for Waiver of Civil Filing Fees and Surcharges** (on top) to Superior Court Courtroom 202 (Ex Parte Court) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m, Mondays, Tuesdays, or Wednesdays **OR** 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., on Tuesdays or Thursdays. Give these documents to the Clerk and take a seat in the courtroom. The Commissioner will review your documents. If there are any questions from the court, answer respectfully.

4. If your Waiver is signed by the Court Commissioner, take all documents to the Spokane County Superior Court Clerk, Room 300, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, Cashier's Window (to the far right when you enter). The Court Clerk will file all documents to start the action. Enter the case number and date stamp on the front page of each of your copies.