

## STANDARD VISITATION ORDER

The best visitation/companionship schedule is your own plan.

However, if you cannot agree, this Court designed this plan to insure that your child(ren) will have frequent and consistent contact with both parents.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Summer vacations shall take precedence over the holiday schedule and the holiday schedule shall take precedence over the normal weekly schedule.

When companionship schedules are in conflict due to the ages of the children, the schedule of the oldest child under age 14 shall apply for all children.

### **(A) Weekend and Midweek Companionship**

- (1) **For children from birth to 18 months.** Three weekly visits for 2-6 hours, on the days and times the parties can agree. If the parties cannot agree, then the days shall be every Saturday from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and every Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., unless otherwise ordered by the Court.
- (2) **For a child 18 months to three years.** One or two weekly visits for 2-6 hours, plus one overnight, on the days and times the parties can agree. If the parties cannot agree, then the days shall be every Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and overnight from Friday at 5:30 p.m. until Saturday at 5:30 p.m., unless otherwise ordered by the Court.
- (3) **For children from age 3 through age 13.** Every other weekend from Friday after school (as soon as the non-residential parent can pick up the child) until Sunday at 7:00 p.m. plus one evening a week, as the parties may agree. If the parties cannot agree, the midweek will be Wednesday from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and weekends from 5:30 p.m. Friday until Sunday at 7:00 p.m., unless otherwise ordered by the Court.
- (4) **For a child age 14 and older.** Visitation is expected to take place weekly, with the days and items to be agreed upon between the child and the non-residential parent.

### **(B) Summer Vacation – 4 Weeks Commencing at Age 18 Months.**

- (1) For children from ages 18 months up to 5 years vacation shall be taken in no longer than one or two week segments. For children ages 5 and older vacation may be taken in one, two, three, or four-week periods.
- (2) During any vacation when the children are in the vicinity, the residential parent shall have the same mid-week visitation as the non-residential parent.

- (3) Each parent must provide the other parent with his/her vacation destination and telephone number, where he/she can be reached, times of arrival and departure, and method of travel.
- (4) Non-residential parents schedule shall have priority over residential parent's, unless residential parent's vacation time is mandated by provisions of his/her employment (such as annual plan shut-down). The parties shall give written notice to the other as the vacation schedule at least 60 days in advance.

**(C) Holiday Visitation/Companionship, Commencing at 18 months.**

<b>HOLIDAY</b>	<b>EVEN #’d YEARS</b>	<b>ODD#d YEARS</b>	<b>DAYS &amp; TIMES</b>
Martin Luther King Day	father	mother	9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
President’s Day	mother	father	9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday	father	mother	9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Spring Break	father	mother	5:30 p.m. day school ends to 7:00 p.m.
Memorial Day	mother	father	5:30 p.m. Fri. preceding to Mon. At 7:00 p.m.
Fourth of July	father	mother	5:30 p.m. day. preceding to 11:00 p.m. the 4 <sup>th</sup>
Labor Day	mother	father	5:30 p.m. Fri. preceding to Mon. at 7:00 p.m.
Halloween	father	mother	4 hours on “trick or treat” day/night
Thanksgiving	father	mother	5:30 p.m. Wed. before holiday to Fri at 7:00 p.m.
	mother	father	7:00 p.m. Fri. to Sun. at 7:00 p.m.
Christmas Eve	father	mother	9:00 a.m. 12/24 to 10:00 p.m.
Christmas Day	mother	father	10:00 p.m. 12/24 to 7:00 p.m. 12/25
New Year’s Day	father	mother	5:30 p.m. December 31 to 7:00 p.m. January 1
Holiday Break	divide equally (or as the parties may otherwise agree in writing)		

**(D) Days of Special Meaning**

- (1) Religious or ethnic holidays- alternate between the parties yearly.
- (2) Mother’s and Father’s Day with respective parents.

- (3) Children's birthdays with father in even-numbered years and mother in odd-numbered years. All siblings to attend.

**(E) Notification of Change of Residence.**

Each parent shall keep the other parent notified of any change in address and/or telephone number. If the residential parent intends to move to a residence outside Summit County, he/she shall immediately file a Notice of intent to Relocate with the Court and shall serve copies upon the Court, Child Support Enforcement Agency, and the other parent. If the parents cannot, by written agreement, agree that the move is in the best interest of the child(ren), the residential parent shall file a motion and schedule a hearing to revise the companionship schedule. O.R.C. 3109.051 (G)(1).

**(F) Access to Records, Day Care and Activities.**

Each party is entitled, under the same terms and conditions under which access is provided to the residential parent, to access:

- (1) any school, health, or agency records or reports that are related to the child(ren).
- (2) any child day care center which the child attends; and
- (3) any student activity in which the child(ren) participated. O.R.C. 3109.051(H),(I),(J).

**(G) Transportation.**

Unless the parents agree otherwise, the non-residential parent has the responsibility for obtaining the children at the beginning of a visitation period, and the residential parent has the responsibility for picking up the children after their visit. The child(ren) and the residential parent have no duty to wait for the non-residential parent to arrive for more than 30 minutes. The non-residential parent who is more than 30 minutes late for a particular companionship period shall forfeit that visitation. If a parent is unavailable to pick up the child(ren), an adult licensed driver who is well-known to the children may substitute for the parent. All child restraint laws must be complied with by any person driving with the child(ren). No person transporting the child(ren) may be under the influence of drugs or alcohol.