

PARENTING TIME ABATEMENT

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A parenting time abatement is granted **after** the parenting time has occurred. Our office **does not** take action on the abatements based on expected parenting time.

There must be a parenting time abatement provision in your order, or we are unable to process the abatement. After you have exercised your parenting time, you must provide our office with this signed statement, including the exact dates and the name(s) of the child(ren).

If there are any arrearages on the case, the credit will be applied to those arrearages.

If there are no arrearages, there will be no immediate refund based on Federal regulations that require support to be paid to payee up to a month in advance.

Only when the amount of the payor's overpayment exceeds one month of support will a refund be sent to the payor and the refund will be equivalent to the amount that is above one month's child support obligation.

PARENTING TIME ABATEMENT AFFIDAVIT

Date: _____ Docket Number: _____

I, _____ had my child(ren) for parenting time as follows:

Child's Name:	From (date):	To (date):
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____

My court order provides for a _____% abatement after _____ or more consecutive overnights.

Signature

Please fill out the following:

Your Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Other Party's Name: _____

Parenting Time Abatement Information

* The parenting time abatement must be included in your Order or we are unable to process the abatement request.

* The amount of the abatement is calculated as follows:

The monthly amount of child support times 12 months. Divide that by 365 (days per year), multiply by the number of days the child(ren) were with the non-custodial parent and multiply by abatement percentage (usually 50%).

Example, monthly obligation amount is \$100.00 and the non-custodial parent (NCP) had the child(ren) for 10 days.

$$\$100.00 \times 12 = \$1,200.00$$

$$\$1,200.00 / 365 = \$3.28$$

$$\$3.28 \times 10 = \$32.80$$

$$\$32.80 \times 50\% = \$16.40 \text{ (abatement credit NCP will receive)}$$

* If you are charged child support and child-care, your abatement will only reflect on the child support amount. You do not receive abatements on the child-care portion of your obligation.

* If your account is current and if you are paying through an Order of Income Withholding, please be aware that the withholding order is not adjusted; we send the amount back to you. This may take a few weeks and we ask your patience, as this is the only way we can handle the refunds.

* If you are in arrears in support, the credit will be deducted from your arrears and no money will be returned to you.