

Joint Custody Worksheet

If you have children with the same partner, then use one worksheet. If you have children with different partners, you will need a separate worksheet to coordinate custody with that individual.

Start here by listing the children's name and birth date:

1. _____ (Petitioner – this is the person initially filing the action) and _____ (Defendant – the individual you will have to give notice to about filing the custody petition)
2. Petitioner and Defendant shall have the joint custody of their children, namely (list names) _____, and each parent shall have all rights, privileges and responsibilities as provided by the Louisiana Civil code Articles 146 and 250, as amended, except where those rights, privileges and responsibilities are in direct conflict with the express provisions of the proposed joint custody plan;
3. _____ (Name of Parent) shall have the right to physical custody of the child during the school year from August through May. During the school year, _____ (name of parent) shall have the right to have the children visit the _____ and _____ weekends of each month, commencing at _____ o'clock _____ M. on _____ and ending on _____ o'clock _____ M. on _____.

(Check which is preferred)

_____ During the school year, the parent without physical custody is allowed reasonable phone visitation with the child(ren).

_____ During the school year, the parent without physical custody is NOT allowed reasonable phone visitation with the child(ren), for the following reasons:

3. The visitation privileges during the holidays shall be as follows:

A. MAJOR HOLIDAYS (Indicate which parent shall have visitation and time)

EASTER: _____

Commencing at _____ o'clock _____ M. and ending at _____ o'clock _____ M

JULY 4TH : _____

Commencing at _____ o'clock ____ M. and ending at ___ o'clock ____ M

THANKSGIVING: _____

Commencing at _____ o'clock ____ M. and ending at ___ o'clock ____ M

CHRISTMAS EVE : _____

Commencing at _____ o'clock ____ M. and ending at ___ o'clock ____ M

CHRISTMAS DAY : _____

Commencing at _____ o'clock ____ M. and ending at ___ o'clock ____ M

MEMORIAL DAY: _____

Commencing at _____ o'clock ____ M. and ending at ___ o'clock ____ M

LABOR DAY: _____

Commencing at _____ o'clock ____ M. and ending at ___ o'clock ____ M

MARDI GRAS: _____

Commencing at _____ o'clock ____ M. and ending at ___ o'clock ____ M

B. MOTHER'S DAY/FATHER'S DAY

The children shall be with their mother on Mother's Day beginning at ___ o'clock ____ M and ending at ____ o'clock ____ M.

The children shall be with their father on Father's Day beginning at ___ o'clock ____ M and ending at ____ o'clock ____ M.

Other:

C. CHILD(REN)'S BIRTHDAY: (*Indicate time of visitation by each parent*)

D. SCHOOL HOLIDAYS:

_____ (*name of parent*) will have visitation for days during the school holidays that are in excess of one week duration, which includes Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas/New Years;

4. During the summer months of June, July, and August, visitation privileges shall be as follows: *(indicate parent with physical custody and parent with visitation; specify visitation days and times.)*

(Check which is preferred)

_____ During the summer months, the parent without physical custody is allowed reasonable phone visitation with the child(ren).

_____ During the summer months, the parent without physical custody is NOT allowed reasonable phone visitation with the child(ren), for the following reasons:

In this Joint-Custody Implementation Plan, the Petitioner and Defendant agree on the following:

(Check all that apply):

_____ The father and mother are obligated to exchange information concerning the health, education and welfare of the child; they shall confer with each other in the exercise of decision-making rights, responsibilities and authority concerning the major medical, dental, institutional, psychiatric or other care and schooling, education, religious and church placements of the child.

_____ Each parent has the right to inspect and receive all school, medical and other records pertaining the child(ren).

_____ Both the mother and the father shall keep each other informed of their address and phone number and particularly, the address and phone number of the place where the child(ren) shall reside or are staying, at all times'.

_____ The parent having actual physical custody of the child, whether by visitation or physical custody privileges at the time of any medical or dental emergency, shall have the role responsibility for meeting that emergency, and in such emergency the permission of the other parent is not necessary.

_____ The father and mother of the children will be responsible for one-half (1/2) of any and all medical bills incurred on behalf of the child that are not covered by hospitalization insurance.

_____ Each parent is obligated to notify the other in writing at least thirty (30) days in advance of any move or change of address.

In this instance that one of the following were NOT checked, indicate why here:

Other visitation implementations that the parties request:
