

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT PARENTING PLAN
ABSENT PARENT, PLAINTIFF'S USE**

IMPORTANT: USE OF THE ABSENT PARENT PARENTING PLAN IS INTENDED ONLY FOR THOSE CASES IN WHICH:

- **ONE OF THE PARENTS PLAN TO SEEK FULL CUSTODY OF THE MINOR CHILDREN OF THE PARTIES AND**
- **THE NONCUSTODIAL PARENT HAS FAILED TO COOPERATE IN CREATING A PARENTING PLAN.**

If you want items in your Parenting Plan besides those included in this sample Parenting Plan, you can add them to your Parenting Plan. Likewise, if you do not want some items in your Parenting Plan that are in this sample Plan, you can take them out of your Parenting Plan. Remember, this is your Parenting Plan and it should meet your individual needs.

Please remember, your parenting plan will be reviewed by the judge and will need to be court ordered before it takes legal effect.

BODY OF THE PARENTING PLAN

Paragraph 3. Enter the number of minutes each week the noncustodial parent will have telephone/virtual parenting time with the minor child(ren).

FINAL SIGNATURE AND DATE

- Complete the information block by providing the date and your signature, printed name, address, phone number, and email address.

MAKE CERTAIN TO STAPLE THIS PARENTING PLAN TO THE DECREE OF DISSOLUTION THAT YOU TAKE TO YOUR FINAL HEARING.

Remember: This sample parenting plan is only a guide. You must consider your own situation and develop a parenting plan that works for you, the other parent, and your children. For example, the list of holidays is only a suggestion and you can add or delete holidays that reflect your traditions. You can add additional sheets to your parenting plan if necessary.