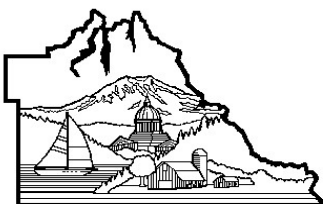


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**CHANGE IN
CUSTODY OR
PARENTING PLAN**

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- ✓ *Custody Change*
- ✓ *Change in Visitation Schedule*
(Includes Support Modification)
- ✓ *Parents do not Agree*



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HOW TO FILE FOR A CHANGE IN CUSTODY OR PARENTING PLAN

CHECKLIST

Use the forms and instructions in this packet only if the following factors apply to your situation:

- ✓ You want to ask the Court to change the custody or residential placement of your child or children;
- ✓ Your visitation schedule pursuant to your current Parenting Plan needs to be changed; or
- ✓ Some of the terms of your existing Parenting Plan or Custody Decree no longer meet your needs and you want to ask the Court and the other party to approve a change in these provisions;
- ✓ You must file your modification of parenting plan action in the Court where your most recent final parenting plan was entered or in the County where the child(ren) reside.

(If you are seeking a restraining order or an emergency order granting you the right to keep your child in your care while this action is pending, you must also purchase a packet for ex parte orders. Please return to the self-help center for this packet.)

(If you are seeking in a change in the amount of child support ONLY, or if you and the other party are in agreement as to the changes to be made in the custody decree/parenting plan, please return to the self-help center to select a different packet.)

READ ME: It is very important for you to know that when you sign a court document, you may be helping or hurting your court case. Before you sign any court document or get involved with a court case, it is important that you carefully read the document to make sure you are doing the right thing. You may also want to contact a lawyer for legal advice and help with those issues you do not understand. If you need help with the forms, procedures and rules of the court, there is a Family Court Facilitator available to assist you.