

GENERAL RULES OF CONDUCT

The parties **shall** adhere to the following rules with respect to the minor child(ren):

1. Each parent shall refrain from discussing the conduct of the other parent in the presence of the minor child(ren) except in a laudatory or complimentary way, and each parent shall be responsible to remove the child from any situation in which the child is being exposed to others who are making negative or derogatory comments about the other child, including viewing such comments electronically or on social media.
2. Each parent shall refrain from discussing child support or any court proceedings in the presence of the minor child.
3. Parenting time with the minor child(ren) shall not be withheld because of the non-payment of child support. The payment of child support shall not be withheld because of the refusal of a parent to return the minor child(ren).
4. Neither parent shall threaten to withhold the minor child(ren) or prevent or delay the return of the minor child(ren) to the other parent after a parenting time period.
5. Each parent shall prepare the minor child(ren), both physically and mentally, for parenting time with the other parent. The minor child(ren) shall be available at the beginning of parenting time.
6. Each parent shall advise the other parent as soon as possible if the parent is unable to exercise a planned parenting time with the minor child(ren).
7. Both parents shall refrain from unreasonably questioning the minor child(ren) regarding the activities of the other parent.
8. Either parent may temporarily take the minor child(ren) to another state for vacation or for other good reason.
9. Each parent shall work with the other parent to arrange their schedules, which shall take into account the children's education, athletic and social activities as well as each parent's opinion regarding the best interest of the children and each parent's desire to independently interact with the children.
10. Each parent shall take the children to extra-curricular activities that have been scheduled during their parenting time.
11. Each parent may attend the children's planned school, athletic and social activities regardless of the allocation of parenting time.
12. In the event either parent takes the children for an extended period to a location other than their residence, said parent shall inform the other parent of the children's whereabouts in writing with the name address, telephone number and all other relevant information concerning the person caring for the children.
13. In the event either parent travels with the child, other than in an automobile, that parent shall advise the other of departure times, arrival times and mode of transportation including flight number, train number etc.
14. Each of the parties shall keep the other party informed as to a day and night time telephone number where the minor child(ren) or the other party may be reached at their residential address.
15. Neither party shall drink alcoholic beverages and drive thereafter with a child or the children in the vehicle. Neither party shall use a cell phone (Bluetooth excepted) or engage in text messaging while driving with a child or children in the vehicle. Neither parent shall drink excessively during their parenting time with the children.
16. Neither party shall allow a child or the children to address anyone other than the parties as "mother" and "father," or any variations of those terms of address.
17. The parties acknowledge that the minor children's surname is _____ and no other surname or hyphenated name shall be used either formally or informally in private or public school or any other records, appointments or reservations.

MOTHER

FATHER