

How to Modify (Change) Child Support Orders

Note: Child Support is determined by the state law guidelines

**Is there a substantial and continuing change?
Or, do you need an order about medical or dental support?**

Examples of changes: (1) An ongoing, big increase or decrease in one of the party's income.
(2) The emancipation of one child when child support is for 2 or more children.

NO

You may want to talk to a lawyer to see if you can file to change the order.

YES

Is there at least a 10% change in the child support? Or, do you need medical/dental support included in the order?

YES

File the forms to ask the Court to change your child support order.

- (1) File the forms in the current case in the county where the case is located.
- (2) Pay the filing fee of \$105 when you file forms with the Court.
Or, file a Motion to Waive the Filing Fee ([JDF 205](#)) with the modification.

NO

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How are you filing?

Filing by Yourself

- (1) Motion to Modify Child Support ([JDF 1403](#)).
- (2) Sworn Financial Statement ([JDF 1111](#)).
- (3) Order Re: Modification of Child Support ([JDF 1405](#)).
- (4) Support Order ([JDF 1117](#)).
- (5) Certificate of Compliance ([JDF 1104](#)) at time of filing, within 42 days of filing or upon other court order.
- (6) Child Support Worksheet at time of filing, within 42 days of filing, or upon other court order.

Filing Together

- (1) Stipulation Regarding Child Support Modification ([JDF 1404](#)).
- (2) Sworn Financial Statement ([JDF 1111](#)). Each party must complete their own.
- (3) Order Re: Modification of Child Support ([JDF 1405](#)).
- (4) Child Support Worksheet at time of filing, within 42 days of filing, or upon other court order.

File the forms with the Court and give a copy to the other party. You can mail or hand-deliver them. If Child Support Enforcement is part of the case, give them a copy too.

The other party has 21 days to respond ([JDF 1315](#)). They must file with the Court and mail a copy to the other party.

Note: If amount is changed, you need to change any income assignment.

- By 49 days after filing, the Court will review the case and decide if it is approved.
- The judge may set a hearing or decide based on the forms filed. You will receive a notice from the court.
- You will get a signed Order and updated Support Order if child support is changed.

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- No hearing required. Court will review child support guidelines to make sure amount agreed to is correct.
- You will get a signed Order Modifying Child Support and an updated Support Order.