

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, DARKE COUNTY, OHIO
JUVENILE DIVISION
RULES OF COURT AND BUSINESS OF COURT

In most paternity cases, the parents and child have not been living together as a family unit. Therefore, it is in the child's best interests that parenting time with the non-custodial parent be introduced on a limited basis. After that introduction has been accomplished, parenting time would be expanded consistent with the PARENTING TIME GUIDELINES OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF DARKE COUNTY, OHIO, JASON ASLINGER, JUDGE. Therefore, **IT IS ORDERED:**

1. Unless the parties agree otherwise, or subject to a modifying order, introductory parenting time shall be as follows:
 - a. Parenting time shall occur once a week away from the custodial parent's home at a neutral site, such as a suitable relative of the non-custodial parent or at the Darke County Visitation House as the parents can arrange.
 - b. The non-custodial relative must be willing to follow these rules.
 - c. The child shall not be removed from the relative's home during the parenting time period.
 - d. No alcoholic beverages or substances of abuse shall be used during the parenting time or prior thereto.
 - e. Parenting time shall be for a three (3) hour period and shall be on a day of custodial parent's choice and time, unless this conflicts with the non-custodial parent's work schedule. In such case, if the custodial parent cannot choose another non-conflicting day and time, then the parenting time and day shall be selected by the non-custodial parent.
 - f. Introductory parenting time shall continue for four (4) weeks. If the non-custodial parent misses any parenting time, the introductory parenting time shall continue beyond four (4) weeks until three (3) consecutive weeks of parenting time have occurred. This shall be known as the First Introductory Phase of Parenting Time.
2. Upon completion of the First Introductory Phase, the non-custodial parent shall exercise parenting time one (1) day a week for six (6) hours for four (4) weeks. This parenting time pattern shall continue beyond four (4) weeks until three (3) consecutive weeks of parenting time have occurred. This shall be known as the Second Introductory Phase of Parenting Time.
3. Upon completion of the First and Second Introductory Phases of Parenting Time, the non-custodial parent shall be permitted to exercise overnight parenting time with the child one (1) day every other week. The non-custodial parent's parenting time shall commence at 10:00 am and shall end on the following day also at 10:00 am, unless modified by mutual agreement. This parenting time schedule shall continue for eight (8) weeks. The choice of the day for the overnight parenting time shall follow the selection process set out in the First Introductory Phase. This shall be known as the Third Introductory Phase of Parenting Time. If the non-custodial parent misses any overnight parenting time phase, the parenting time phase shall continue beyond eight (8) weeks until three (3) alternate week overnight visits have occurred.
4. After the successful completion of Phases One, Two, and Three, the non-custodial parent shall exercise parenting time in accordance with Option One of the Parenting Time Guidelines of the Court of Common Pleas of Darke County, Ohio, Jason Aslinger, Judge, which is adopted as a Rule of this Juvenile Court.
5. Nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting a different parenting time schedule based upon the mutual agreement of the parties.

JASON ASLINGER, JUDGE

Adopted 12/01/03