# Seventh Judicial Circuit Court of Florida 

Timesharing Schedules/Guidelines<br>(Flagler, Putnam, Volusia Counties)

These are general timesharing provisions, and use of these timesharing schedules should be based on each individual family's circumstances. Furthermore, the Court does not have a "one size fits all" timesharing schedule. Rather the Court may adopt one of these attached schedules, based on the family's needs.

It should be the goal of each parent to encourage the continuation of all healthy relationships that existed between your children and others before the parties' separation. Children who see their parents in conflict suffer both short and long-term effects. Raised voices, arguing, hateful remarks, and physical altercations are not suitable for children's viewing. Children are most likely to keep their feeling of family when they continue to have pleasant, free access to both parents and extended family. Your children's identities depend on their feeling that they belong to both families. This requires that they spend time with both sides of the family. If your children lose part of their family, their sense of identity can be distorted. Appreciate the involvement of extended family in your children's lives. Encourage and support the other parent in accepting an active role in your children's lives. Share responsibilities (laundry, transportation, doctor visits, teacher conferences, etc). Respect the basic nature or temperament of your children as well as the temperamental match or fit between them and each parent. Consider the match of each parent's interests and your children's activities. Provide as much direct contact and positive involvement as possible between your children and each parent. When parents remain in the same geographical location, relationships are more likely to be maximized.

The Timesharing Schedules are attached hereto as follows:

- General Contact Schedule
- Rotating Week to Week
- Rotating 2/2/3
- Long Distance Contact Schedule Less than 3 hours
- Long Distance Contact Schedule More than 3 hours
- Holiday Timesharing Schedule (Local)
- Holiday Timesharing Schedule (Long Distance)


## (General Contact Schedule)

Parent 1 shall have overnight timesharing with the child(ren) Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday as well as every other weekend from Friday after school or daycare and returning the child(ren) to school or daycare the following Monday morning.

Parent 2 shall have overnight timesharing with the child(ren) every Thursday overnight picking up the child(ren) from school or daycare and returning the child(ren) to school or daycare the following Friday morning. Parent 2 shall also have timesharing with the child(ren) every other weekend from Friday after school or daycare and returning the child(ren) to school or daycare the following Monday morning.

When school is not in session, the parent beginning his or timesharing shall pick up the child(ren) from the other parent's residence at 6:00 p.m. of the day his or her timesharing is to begin ${ }^{1}$.

Parent/Child(ren) Contact - The child(ren) shall be permitted to have phone, e-mail, Skype, or Facetime communications with the other parent at least three times per week. If the parties are unable to agree, the child(ren) shall speak with the other parent on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 7:30 p.m. EST. Neither parent shall monitor, intercept, interrupt, or listen to communications between the child(ren) and the other parent absent a Court order authorizing them to do so.

See Holiday Contact Schedule (Local) which addresses holidays and summer.

Parent 1 $\qquad$

Parent 2 $\qquad$

A parent may designate an appropriate person to pick up the child(ren) from the other parent's residence if the parent is unable to do so.

## (Rotating Week to Week)

The parties shall rotate timesharing with the child(ren) on a week to week basis. If the parties are unable to agree on the day and time when to exchange the child(ren), the parties shall exchange the child(ren) each Sunday at 6:00 p.m.

The parent ${ }^{2}$ beginning his or her timesharing shall pick up the child(ren) from the other parent's residence at 6:00 p.m. of the day his or her timesharing is to begin.

Parent/Child(ren) Contact - The child(ren) shall be permitted to have phone, e-mail, Skype, or Facetime communications with the other parent at least three times per week. If the parties are unable to agree, the child(ren) shall speak with the other parent on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 7:30 p.m. EST. Neither parent shall monitor, intercept, interrupt, or listen to communications between the child(ren) and the other parent absent a Court order authorizing them to do so.

See Holiday Contact Schedule (Local) which addresses holidays and summer.

## Parent 1

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Parent 2 $\qquad$

A parent may designate an appropriate person to pick up the child(ren) from the other parent's residence if the parent is unable to do so.

## (Rotating 2/2/3)

Parent I shall have the child(ren) Monday and Tuesday overnights each week.

Parent 2 shall have the child(ren) Wednesday and Thursday overnights each week.

The parties shall rotate the child(ren) each weekend beginning Friday from after school and returning the child(ren) to school the following Monday morning.

While school is in session, the pick ups and drop offs shall occur at school.

When school is not in session, the parent beginning his or timesharing shall pick up the child(ren) from the other parent's residence at 6:00 p.m. of the day his or her timesharing is to begin.

Parent/Child(ren) Contact - The child(ren) shall be permitted to have phone, e-mail, Skype, or Facetime communications with the other parent at least three times per week. If the parties are unable to agree, the child(ren) shall speak with the other parent on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 7:30 p.m. EST. Neither parent shall monitor, intercept, interrupt, or listen to communications between the child(ren) and the other parent absent a Court order authorizing them to do so.

See Holiday Contact Schedule (Local) which addresses holidays and summer.

Parent 1 $\qquad$

Parent 2 $\qquad$

A parent may designate an appropriate person to pick up the child(ren) from the other parent's residence if the parent is unable to do so.

## (Long Distance Contact Schedule Less than 3 hours)

The parent who lives in excess of 50 miles "as the crow flies" but has less than 3 hours commute from the local parent shall have alternate weekend timesharing from Friday after school or daycare through Sunday at 5:00 p.m. The parent who lives in excess of 50 miles shall have weekend timesharing on any weekend during a month that encompasses a three-day weekend, even if that weekend is in addition to that parent's regularly scheduled timesharing. Said timesharing shall commence as early as practicable on the day before the holiday or Friday, whichever comes first, and shall conclude at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday or the day before school resumes, whichever is later.

The parent beginning his or her timesharing shall be responsible for picking up the child(ren) at the beginning of the timesharing period.

Parent/Child(ren) Contact - The child(ren) shall be permitted to have phone, e-mail, Skype, or Facetime communications with the other parent at least three times per week. If the parties are unable to agree, the child(ren) shall speak with the other parent on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 7:30 p.m. EST. Neither parent shall monitor, intercept, interrupt, or listen to communications between the child(ren) and the other parent absent a Court order authorizing them to do so.

See Holiday Contact Schedule (Long Distance) which addresses holidays and summer.

## (Long Distance Contact Schedule More than 3 hours)

The parent who lives more than 50 miles and has more than a 3 hour commute to the local parent's residence, shall have the option to have the child(ren) every 3 day weekend during the school year. Said timesharing shall commence as early as practicable on the day before the holiday or Friday, whichever comes first, and shall conclude at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday or the day before school resumes, whichever is later. Additionally, the long distant parent may exercise a second weekend per month in the vicinity of the residence where the child(ren) are the majority of the time. In the event the parties are unable to agree which weekend, the first full weekend of the month shall be the weekend designated for timesharing. Said timesharing shall commence as early as practicable on the day school lets out or Friday, whichever comes first, and concludes at 5:00 p.m. Sunday or the day before school resumes, whichever is later.

The parent beginning his or her timesharing shall be responsible for picking up the child(ren) at the beginning of the timesharing period.

Parent/Child(ren) Contact - The child(ren) shall be permitted to have phone, e-mail, Skype, or Facetime communications with the other parent at least three times per week. If the parties are unable to agree, the child(ren) shall speak with the other parent on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 7:30 p.m. EST. Neither parent shall monitor, intercept, interrupt, or listen to communications between the child(ren) and the other parent absent a Court order authorizing them to do so.

See Holiday Contact Schedule (Long Distance) which addresses holidays and summer.

# (Holiday Contact Schedule - Local) 

## Holiday Timesharing Supersedes the General \& Rotating Timesharing Schedules.

Spring Break: Spring Break shall be evenly divided. The first half of Spring Break is designated to the parent whose regularly scheduled weekend falls on the first half and the second half to the parent whose weekend falls during the second half. The parties shall exchange the child(ren) Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Easter: If Easter does not fall within the Spring Break time period, then parent one shall have the child(ren) Easter weekend in even numbered years, from after school or daycare the day school recesses for the weekend until the return to school the day it resumes. In odd numbered years, parent two shall have Easter weekend from after school or daycare the day school recesses for the weekend until the return to school the day it resumes.

Mother's Day Weekend: The Mother shall have the child(ren) for Mother's Day weekend each year from after school or daycare Friday and shall return the child(ren) to school the following Monday morning. If Mother's Day falls on the Mother's regularly scheduled timesharing, then this paragraph does not apply.

Father's Day Weekend: The Father shall have the child(ren) for Father's Day weekend each year from after school or daycare Friday through the following Monday morning. If Father's Day falls on the Father's regularly scheduled summer timesharing, then this paragraph does not apply.

Halloween: Parent one shall have the child(ren) Halloween from after school or daycare (or 5:00 p.m. if Halloween is on a weekend) through the following morning in even numbered years. In odd numbered years, parent two shall have Halloween from after school or daycare (or 5:00 p.m. if Halloween is on a weekend) through the following morning.

Thanksgiving Break: Parent one shall have the Thanksgiving Break in odd numbered years from immediately after school or daycare the day school recesses for the holiday until the return to school the day it resumes. Parent two shall have the Thanksgiving Break in even numbered years from immediately after school or daycare the day school recesses for the holiday until the return to school the day it resumes.

Christmas/Winter Break: Parent two shall be entitled to the first part of the break in odd numbered years and parent one shall be entitled to have the first part of the break in even numbered years. The parent with the first half of the holiday shall have the child(ren) from after school or daycare the day school recesses for the break until Christmas Day at 2:00 p.m. The parent with the second half of the holiday shall have the child(ren) from 2:00 p.m. Christmas Day, for a total number of days equal to one half of the Winter Break, returning the child(ren) at 6:00 p.m. on the last day of his/her part of the break, to the other parent who shall have the remainder of the holiday period until school resumes. The above provides each parent with an equal number of days for the Christmas/Winter Break period.

Summer: The parties shall rotate timesharing with the child(ren) on a week to week basis. If the parties are unable to agree on the day and time when to exchange the child(ren), the parties shall exchange the child(ren) each Sunday at 6:00 p.m

# (Holiday Contact Schedule - Long Distance) 

## Holiday Timesharing Supersedes the Long Distance Schedules.

Spring Break: The long distant parent shall have the child(ren) every year from immediately after school or daycare the day school recesses for the holiday until the day before school resumes.

Mother's Day Weekend: The Mother shall have the child(ren) for Mother's Day weekend each year from after school or daycare Friday until the day before school resumes. If Mother's Day falls on the Mother's regularly scheduled timesharing, then this paragraph does not apply.

Father's Day Weekend: The Father shall have the child(ren) for Father's Day weekend each year from after school or daycare Friday through the following Monday morning. If Father's Day falls on the Father's regularly scheduled summer timesharing, then this paragraph does not apply.

Thanksgiving Break: Parent one shall have the Thanksgiving Break in odd numbered years from immediately after school or daycare the day school recesses for the holiday until the day before school resumes. Parent two shall have the Thanksgiving Break in even numbered years from immediately after school or daycare the day school recesses for the holiday until the day before school resumes.

Christmas/Winter Break: Parent one shall have the week of the child(ren)'s two week winter break that includes Christmas in even number years and parent two shall have the week that includes New Years Day in even number years. Parent two shall have the week of the child(ren)'s two week winter break that includes Christmas in odd number years and parent one shall have the week that includes New Years Day in odd number years.

Check one of the following summer options:
$\square$ Summer: The parties shall equally share the summer. If the parties are unable to agree as to how to share the summer, the long distant parent shall have the child(ren) the first half of the summer and the local parent shall have the child(ren) the second half of the summer.
$\square$ Summer: The long distant parent shall have the entire summer except for a two week time period. Should the parties be unable to agree upon the two week time period, then the local parent shall have the child(ren) the last two weeks before school resumes.

