

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW FORM 12.995(b), SAFETY-FOCUSED PARENTING PLAN (12/10)

When should this form be used?

A **Parenting Plan** is required in all cases involving minor child(ren). This form or a similar form should be used in cases when you feel your child(ren) cannot be safely alone with the other parent or if you believe **shared parental responsibility** presents a detriment to the child(ren). In this case, a Parenting Plan must be developed that allows **time-sharing** with any minor child(ren), while providing protection for the child(ren). If safety or supervised time-sharing is not a concern, **Parenting Plan**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.995(a) should be used. The Parenting Plan must be developed and agreed to by the parents and approved by the court. If the parties cannot agree to a Parenting Plan or if the parents agreed to a plan that is not approved by the court, a parenting plan will be established by the court with or without the use of **parenting plan recommendations**.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. If an agreement has been reached, **both** parties must sign the Parenting Plan and have their signatures witnessed by a **notary public** or **deputy clerk**. After completing this form, you should **file** the original with the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where the **petition** was filed and keep a copy for your records. You should then refer to the instructions for your petition, **answer**, or answer and **counterpetition** concerning the procedures for setting a hearing or **trial (final hearing)**. If the parents have not reached an agreement, a proposed Parenting Plan may be filed by either parent at the time of or any time prior to the final hearing. If an agreed Parenting Plan is not filed by the parties, the court shall establish a Plan.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read “General Information for Self-Represented Litigants” found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **“bold underline”** in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see chapter 61, Florida Statutes, and the instructions for the petition and/or answer that were filed in this case.

Special notes...

If you fear that disclosing your address would put you in danger, you should complete a Request for Confidential Filing of Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Form 12.980(h), file it with the clerk of the circuit court and write confidential in the space provided in the parenting plan.

At a minimum, the **Parenting Plan** must describe in adequate detail:

- How the parties will share and be responsible for the daily tasks associated with the upbringing of the child(ren),
- The **time-sharing schedule** arrangements that specify the time that the minor child(ren) will spend with each parent,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
IN AND FOR

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.:

Division:

Petitioner, '

and

Respondent. '

SAFETY-FOCUSED PARENTING PLAN

This parenting plan is: (Choose only one)

- A Parenting Plan submitted to the court with the agreement of the parties.
- A proposed Parenting Plan submitted by or on behalf of:
(Parent's Name)
- A Parenting Plan established by the court.

This parenting plan is: (Choose only one)

- A final Parenting Plan established by the court.
- A temporary Parenting Plan established by the court.
- A modification of a prior final Parenting Plan or prior final order.

I. PARENTS

Mother

Name:

Address:

Telephone Number:

E-Mail:

- Address Unknown: (Please indicate here if mother's address is unknown)
- Address Confidential: (Please indicate here if mother's address and phone numbers are confidential pursuant to either a Final Judgment for Protection Against Domestic Violence, or
- Other court order:

Father

Name:

Address:

Telephone Number:

E-Mail:

- Address Unknown: (Please indicate here if father's address is unknown)

Other:

2. **Restrictions or Level of Supervision:**

3. **Costs of Supervision**

The costs of the supervision shall be paid by the Mother Father

Other:

VII. LOCATION: (Choose **only** one)

The Mother Father shall spend his/her time-sharing with the child(ren) at the following location(s):

Supervised visitation center (*name and address of facility*)

_____ (*location*) or other location designated by the
 Mother Father

Any location designated by the Mother Father with the approval of the supervisor.

Other:

VIII. DESIGNATION FOR OTHER LEGAL PURPOSES

1. The child(ren) named in this Safety-Focused Parenting Plan are scheduled to reside the majority of the time with the Mother Father. This majority designation is SOLELY for purposes of all other state and federal statutes which require such a designation. **This designation does not affect either parent's rights and responsibilities under this parenting plan.**

2. For purposes of school-boundary determination and registration, the Mother's Father's address shall be designated.

IX. TRANSPORTATION AND EXCHANGE OF CHILD(REN)

1. **Transportation**

The child(ren) shall not be driven in a car unless the driver has a valid driver's license, automobile insurance, seat belts, and child safety seats as required by Florida law.

XII. CHILD(REN)'S SAFETY

The Mother Father shall follow the safety rules checked below. (Choose **all** that apply)

There shall be no firearms in the home, car, or in the child(ren)'s presence during time-sharing.

No alcoholic beverages shall be consumed from twenty-four (24) hours before the child(ren) arrive until they are returned to the other parent.

The child(ren) shall not be disciplined by corporal punishment.

The following person(s) present a danger to the child(ren):

Each parent shall ensure that during his/her time sharing that this/these person(s):

will not be present

will not have contact with the child(ren)

Other:

XIII. CHANGES OR MODIFICATIONS OF THE PARENTING PLAN

All changes to the Safety-Focused Parenting Plan must be pursuant to a court order.

XIV. OTHER PROVISIONS

SIGNATURE OF PARENTS

I certify that I have been open and honest in entering into this Parenting Plan. I am satisfied with this Plan and intend to be bound by it.

Dated:

Signature of Mother
Printed Name:
Address:
City, State, Zip:
Telephone Number:
Fax Number:

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.]

- ___ Personally known
- ___ Produced identification
- ___ Type of identification produced _____

I certify that I have been open and honest in entering into this Parenting Plan. I am satisfied with this Plan and intend to be bound by it.

Dated:

Signature of Father
Printed Name:
Address:
City, State, Zip:
Telephone Number:
Fax Number: