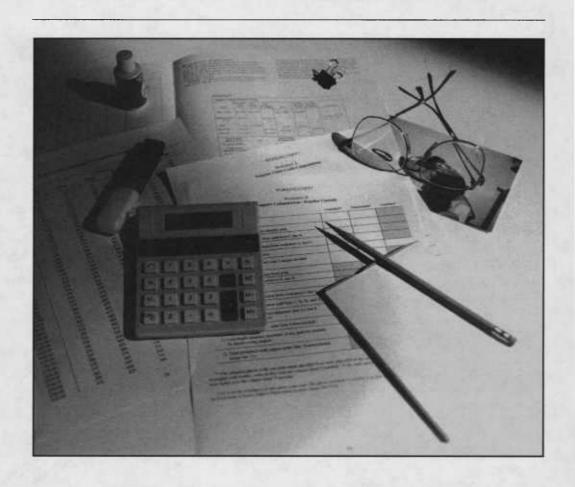
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When requesting copies of the guidelines and/or the worksheets from the Department of Justice, send the request and a self-addressed, 9 x 12-inch envelope to Department of Justice, Support Enforcement Division, 1495 Edgewater NW, Suite 260, Salem, OR 97304.

In addition to child support decisions, divorcing parents must make decisions about property division and spousal support. For information about these decisions, see OSU Extension Publication EC 1378, *An Oregon Guide, Part 1: Property Division and Spousal Support When Divorce Occurs.* To order EC 1378, mail \$1.50 for each copy to Publications Orders, Agricultural Communications, Oregon State University, Administrative Services A422, Corvallis, OR 97331-2119. For orders of 100 copies or more, call (503) 737-2513 for a price quote.

Note: If you have children living with you and you are receiving Aid to Dependent Children (ADC) or Food Stamps and General Assistance (FSGA), child support is calculated by the Department of Justice, Support Enforcement Division. Contact your caseworker for information.

This material should not be used as a substitute for seeking needed advice from attorneys or other qualified advisors.

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An Oregon Guide, Part 2

Child Support Decisions When Divorce Occurs

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When parents of minor children divorce, one of their goals is to provide for their children's well-being. Financial support is an important aspect of well-being.

Both parents are responsible for the financial support of their minor children. Parental support obligations continue until the child is emancipated. A child is emancipated at age 18 and may be emancipated earlier if he or she marries or enters military service. If the child is in school, support obligations may continue to age 21.

Oregon child support guidelines are used to determine the amount of child support. The amount of child support is based on family size and the incomes of both parents, and is divided between the parents according to their respective incomes.

If you are working with an attorney, this publication will help you understand the decisions you will make and the financial records the attorney will need from you. If you are using the worksheets to determine child support yourself, go through the material slowly and thoroughly. There are many unfamiliar terms, so be patient.

In addition to using the worksheets to determine the amount of monthly parental support, consider the following financial issues related to the children: medical and dental expenses, post high school education, life insurance, taxes, estate planning, timing and method of payments, and budgeting and recordkeeping (see "Additional Financial Issues," page 8).

The Oregon Child Support Guidelines

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The support obligation determined using the guidelines is presumed to be correct. However, there may be extraordinary circumstances that rebut this presumption of correctness (see "Rebuttals," page 7).

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Selecting the correct worksheet

The worksheet you use to compute child support depends on physical custody—where your children are living. Is the physical custody of your children regular, split, or shared?

Regular custody

Regular custody is when the child lives primarily (more than 65 percent of the time) with one parent and spends some time with the other parent. If there is regular custody, use worksheet B.

Shared or split custody

Sometimes a parent believes that when each parent has children living with him or her or if the children spend equal time with each parent, all child support obligations have been met and no further support payments are necessary. Most often this is not true.

Split custody. The parents have more than one child and each parent has physical custody of at least one of their children. If this applies, use worksheet C.

Shared custody. The parents have agreed in writing or by court order that their child/children live with one parent not more than 65 percent of the time (237 overnights) and the other parent not less than 35 percent of the time (128 overnights). If custody is shared, use worksheet D.

Select the worksheet that fits your situation—worksheet B, C, or D. Complete the worksheet, referring to the pages indicated on the worksheets for explanations and instructions.

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The worksheets ask for monthly income and expenses. Here are the directions for converting income or expenses to monthly amounts:

If income is received or expense is paid	To convert to monthly
Weekly	
	amount by 4.33
Every other week	. Multiply amount by
	26 and divide by 12
Twice a month	. Multiply by 2
Irregularly	. Add total for year
	and divide by 12

Income computation—worksheets B, C, D

The first step in calculating the child support obligation, regardless of the type of custody, is to determine each parent's monthly gross income and adjusted monthly gross income. Adjusted monthly gross income is gross income adjusted for alimony or spousal support and the support of nonjoint children. This is not the same as adjusted gross income for income tax purposes.

Line 1

Gross monthly income is all income including, but not limited to, salaries, wages, commissions, bonuses, dividends and interest, pensions, Social Security benefits, worker's comp benefits, unemployment benefits, disability income, income from self-employment, partnerships, closely held corporations, spousal support, ADC, SSI, food stamps, and General Assistance. (If the parent with whom the child lives is receiving ADC, child support is calculated by the Department of Justice, Support Enforcement Division.)

If one or both parents have income from self-employment, rent, royalties, proprietorship of a business, joint ownership of a partnership, or a closely held corporation, gross income is defined as gross receipts minus costs of goods sold minus ordinary and necessary business expenses. Deductions allowable by the Internal Revenue Service for accelerated depreciation and investment tax credits are *not* allowable as a deduction from gross income for purposes of calculating child support.

Expense reimbursements or in-kind payments received by a parent in the course of employment, self-employment, or operation of a business shall be counted as income if they are significant and reduce personal living expenses.

Examine pay stubs, business receipts, interest and dividend statements, and income tax returns. If income is not paid monthly or is not the same each month, follow the directions on page 3 to convert it to monthly, or average monthly, income.

Income statements of parents must be documented using pay stubs, employer statements, receipts and expenses if self-employed, and the most recent tax returns.

A parent cannot deliberately reduce income or not work in order to reduce the amount of child support he or she pays. The child support guidelines presume that every parent can work. If a parent is voluntarily unemployed, working reduced hours, or working at reduced wages, his or her potential income for child support purposes is determined in one of two ways:

1) Potential and probable earnings based on work history, skills and training, and local job opportunities and pay rates, or

2) Full-time work (40 hours per week) at current state minimum wage. As of October 1994, Oregon minimum wage was \$823 per month (\$4.75 per hour x 40 hours x 4.33 weeks).

In cases where full time work is not possible because of *extraordinary* family responsibilities, *extraordinary* medical conditions, or *extraordinary* work shortages, the actual income, such as unemployment or worker's compensation, rather than the potential income may be used.

Line 2

If a parent is under court order to pay spousal support to a former spouse because of a prior divorce or will be ordered to pay spousal support in this divorce, the amount of the spousal support is deducted from gross income of the parent paying the spousal support. If one parent is or will be entitled to receive spousal support, the spousal support is added to her or his gross income. Write the alimony (spousal support) paid or received on line 2.

Line 3

Skip this line. This line is used after the presumed child support is calculated and only if there are extraordinary circumstances.

Line 4

This is used only if there are nonjoint children. Nonjoint children are children born to or adopted by one, but not both of the spouses in the process of divorce. Stepchildren living with you are not considered nonjoint children. If either spouse has nonjoint children, complete worksheet A (page 9). If you and your spouse have no minor children other than those born to or adopted by both of you (joint children) put 0's on line 4.

Line 5

Calculate adjusted monthly gross income.

Regular custody—worksheet B

Regular custody is when the child lives primarily (more than 65 percent of the time) with one parent and spends some time with the other parent.

Lines 1-5

See "Income computation," above left.

The child support obligation

The child support obligation is basic support (line 7) plus child care costs (line 7A) and uninsured recurring medical expenses (line 7B).

Line 7

Basic support. To determine the amount of basic child support, use the "Scale of Basic Child Support Obligations," starting on page 21. Go down the column "gross income" to the *combined monthly adjusted gross income* of both parents and across to the number of joint children you have. Write the amount in line 7, basic child support obligation.

Line 7A

Child care costs are the reasonable expenses for workrelated child care. Reasonable expenses do not exceed the cost of quality child care from a licensed provider.

Work-related is child care that makes it possible for the parent with whom the child lives to look for a job, train for a

job, or be employed.

If the amount of child care is not the same each month, estimate the cost for a year and divide the yearly amount by 12 to determine the average monthly child care cost. If the child care is for both joint and nonjoint children, use only the portion of the cost that is for the joint children.

The cost of child care is reduced to reflect the federal and state income tax credits for child care. Use Worksheet E

to figure the net child care cost.

Line 7B

Uninsured, recurring medical expenses for the child may be added to the basic support obligation. Family expense records will be helpful in determining the child's share of average monthly costs of uninsured recurring medical expenses.

Recurring expenses are those which, based on past experience, are reasonably expected to occur regularly and periodically in the future and which can be documented. Do

not include the cost of health insurance.

Line 7C

Do not use this line the first time you figure support. This line is used to add or subtract rebuttals which must be explained on the worksheet. See "Rebuttals," page 7.

Line 8

This is the total child support obligation to be divided between the parents according to their respective incomes.

Line 9

Multiply line 9 by the percentage share of income each parent has (line 6). This allocates the support between the parents in proportion to their incomes. The custodial parent provides her or his support as she or he pays the daily living expenses.

Line 10

There is a presumption that a parent can contribute \$50 to the support of the child; if the amount on line 10 is less than \$50, change it to \$50. Line 10 is the support order, the amount the noncustodial parent will pay to the custodial parent (see "Timing and method of payments," page 8).

Line 11

The insurance cost is allocated between the parents according to their incomes. The support obligation of the noncustodial parent is decreased if the insurance is paid for by the noncustodial parent, and increased if paid by the custodial parent.

Write the cost of the health insurance for the joint children (see page 7) in the column of the parent who provides the insurance. If the noncustodial parent pays for the insurance and the cost of the insurance exceeds the cost of the support obligation on line 10, enter 0's on lines 11 and 12.

Line 12

Multiply the cost of health insurance on line 11 by the percentage on line 6 for each parent to allocate the expense between the parents. If the noncustodial parent pays for the insurance, subtract from line 10 the amount in the custodial parent's line 12. If the custodial parent pays for the insurance, add to line 10 the amount in the noncustodial parent's line 12.

Line 13

This is the amount the noncustodial parent will pay to the custodial parent for support of the children. This amount is presumed to be correct. However, there may be extraordinary circumstances that rebut the presumption; that is, there may be reasons why the presumed child support order is not appropriate and the actual payment should be increased or decreased (see "Rebuttals," page 7).

Split custody—worksheet C

Split custody is when there is more than one joint child and each parent has physical custody of at least one of the children.

Worksheet C is used to calculate the support obligation. This worksheet is not easy to complete. Go slowly, step by step, line by line.

Lines 1-5

See "Income computation," page 4.

Line 6

To determine the amount of basic child support, use the "Scale of Basic Child Support Obligations," starting on page 21. Go down the column *gross income* to the combined monthly adjusted gross income of both parents (line 5, worksheet C) and across to the number of joint children you have. Write the amount from the scale on line 6 in mother's column and again in father's column.

Line 7

Determine the percentage of joint children living with each parent. Divide the number of joint children living with mother by the total number of joint children. Divide the number of joint children living with father by the total number of children.

Example: Anisa and Jim have three joint children. Two children live with Anisa and one lives with Jim. Anisa has .67 of the joint children $(2 \div 3 = .67)$. Jim has .33 of the joint children $(1 \div 3 = .33)$.

Line 8

Multiply line 7, the basic support obligation for all the children, by line 6, the portion of children living with mother. Do the same thing for father. This is the dollar amount of support each parent is providing by caring for the child or children living with him or her.

Line 9

Each parent owes a share of support equal to her or his share of the monthly adjusted gross income.

Line 9A

Calculate each parent's share of the combined income. Divide mother's monthly adjusted gross income, line 5, by the combined monthly adjusted gross income, line 5. Divide father's monthly adjusted gross income, line 5, by the combined monthly adjusted gross income, line 5.

Lines 9B

Calculate what mother owes father for the children living with him. To do this, multiply mother's share of combined income on line 9A by father's line 8.

Line 9C

Calculate what father owes mother for the children living with her. To do this, multiply father's share of combined income on line 9A by mother's line 8.

If either parent pays health insurance premiums for the children, child care costs, or recurring uninsured medical costs, go to worksheet G, page 19. If there are no health insurance premiums, child care costs, or recurring uninsured medical costs, go to line 10.

Line 10

From the larger amount on lines 9B and 9C, subtract the smaller amount. The parent owing the larger amount pays to the other parent the difference between the two amounts. The obligation on line 10 is the amount of the child support payment to be made from one parent to the other. This amount is presumed to be correct. However, there may be extraordinary circumstances that rebut the presumption; that is, there may be reasons why the presumed child support order is not appropriate and the actual payment should be increased or decreased. See "Rebuttals," page 7.

Shared custody—worksheet D

Shared custody is when parents have agreed in writing or by court order that their child or children live with one parent not more than 65 percent of the time (237 overnights) and with the other parent not less than 35 percent of the time (128 overnights). Worksheet D is used to calculate the support obligation when there is shared custody. This is not an easy worksheet to complete. Go slowly, step by step, line by line.

Lines 1-5

See "Income computation," page 4.

Line 7

To determine the amount of basic child support, use the "Scale of Basic Child Support Obligations," starting on page 21. Go down the column *gross income* to the *combined monthly adjusted gross income* of both parents and across to the number of joint children you have. Write the amount on line 7 in the combined column.

Line 8

Multiply the amount on line 7 by 1.5. This increase reflects the increased cost of a child having two homes.

Line 9

For each parent, multiply the amount on line 8 by the percentage on line 6. This is the amount of support each parent is to contribute to the children.

Line 10

To determine the share of time the child is with mother, divide the number of nights the child spends with mother by 365 and enter in mother's column, line 14. Do the same for father.

Example: Child with mother 219 nights: $(200 \div 365) = 60\%$. Child with father 146 nights: $(165 \div 365) = 40\%$.

Line 11

These lines are used to determine the amount of support each parent owes the other for the time the child lives in the other parent's home. To determine the amount mother owes father, multiply father's line 10 by mother's line 9. To determine the amount father owes mother, multiply mother's line 10 by father's line 9.

Example:

	Mother	Father
Line 9	\$268	\$402
Line 10	60%	40%
Line 11A	\$107.20	
	$(.40 \times 268)$	
Line 11B		\$241.20
		(.60 x 402)

If either parent pays health insurance premiums for the children, child care costs, or recurring uninsured medical costs, go to worksheet G, page 19. If there are no health insurance premiums, child care costs, or recurring uninsured medical costs, go to line 12.

Line 12

From the larger amount on lines 11A and 11B, subtract the smaller amount. The parent owing the larger amount pays to the other parent the difference between the two amounts. The obligation on line 12 is the amount of child support to be paid from one parent to the other.

This amount is presumed to be correct. However, there may be extraordinary circumstances that rebut the presumption; that is, there may be reasons why the presumed child support order is not appropriate and the actual payment should be increased or decreased. See "Rebuttals," page 7.

Determining the cost of children's health insurance

Medical and dental insurance is important for children. Review carefully all medical and dental benefits available for the children through the employment of either parent. Obtain from your employers the cost of health insurance for the children, information about when and how the children may be added to the insurance, and when and how claims are made.

When one parent provides health insurance for the joint children, this is a form of support and the support order is adjusted. You must first determine the cost of health insurance for the joint children using the following steps:

- Cost of health insurance for parent and children less <u>Cost of health insurance for parent alone</u> Cost of insurance for children
- (2) If the children's insurance covers both joint and nonjoint children, figure the cost for the joint children using the following steps:
- (a) Cost of children's insurance + # of children = cost per child
- (b) Cost per child x # of joint children = cost for joint children

Rebuttals

The support obligation determined using the guidelines is presumed to be correct. However, there may be *extraordinary* circumstances that rebut the presumption of correctness.

If the presumption of correctness is rebutted and income of either parent is to be increased or decreased, or the child support costs are to be increased or decreased, prepare a second set of worksheets containing the changes and the reasons for the changes.

Two sets of worksheets are required: one set with the presumed amount and a second set with the changes, explanations for the changes, and the new support amount.

Some reasons that might justify decreasing a parent's income (line 3 of the support calculation worksheet) are:

- The parent provides extraordinary financial support for dependents, not the dependents of the other parent. For example, the parent has a severely handicapped nonjoint child.
- The parent has extraordinary financial responsibilities.
 For example, the parent assumed responsibility for an extraordinary amount of marital debts in the divorce property settlement.
- The parent has financial responsibilities, such as an infant or a child with special needs, that do not allow her or him to be employed or allows for less than full-time employment.

Some reasons that might justify increasing a parent's income (line 3 of the support calculation worksheet) are:

- The parent has a financial advantage because a portion of his or her personal living expenses are paid as business expenses.
- The parent has a financial advantage because she or he received an extraordinary share of the family property.
 For example, the custodial parent received the family home with no mortgage.
- The noncustodial parent has the tax exemption for the child.

Some reasons that might justify raising or lowering the basic support obligation are:

- The child has extraordinary needs.
- The noncustodial parent has extraordinary transportation costs related to visitation with the child.
- The child is not living with either parent and is not attending school.
- The child's post-divorce standard of living is significantly lower than his or her pre-divorce standard.

Additional Financial Issues

Non-routine, uninsured medical and dental expenses

The determination of child support takes into account routine, uninsured medical and dental expenses. The children may also have non-routine uninsured medical and dental expenses. For example, orthodontia, counseling, long-term physical treatments, or special care for a disabled child. Discuss how these expenses will be divided between the parents. One method is each parent pays a portion equal to his or her portion of their combined incomes.

Post high school education

Education beyond high school is important and expensive. The determination of the child support obligation does not include any saving for the expenses of post high school training and education.

Give thought to financial support of your child's post high school education. What portion of the child's education do the parents anticipate paying? How will the cost be divided between the parents? What part, if any, is the child expected to pay? Will the child be eligible for financial aid?

If your children are very young, post high school education is years away. Remember, the earlier you start to save, the easier it is. If your children are teenagers, discuss future education expenses with them. They need to understand what education expenses parents will pay and under what conditions.

Life insurance

The reason for life insurance is to provide income after the death of one of the family wage earners. When there are young children, the couple usually wants to continue the insurance policies on one or both parents.

One common way this is done is to have a paragraph in the property agreement that states:

(Name of father or mother) shall maintain insurance or
(his or her) life in the total sum of \$so long as
(he or she) is required to pay child support. The
insurance should be payable toas
trustee for the children. If such insurance is not in force
at death, the children shall have a claim against the
estate for \$

There are other ways to assure that insurance benefits will be available for the support of the children. If you have young or handicapped children and presently have insurance, ask your attorney about ways to assure continuation of the insurance.

Taxes

The parent who has major physical custody is entitled to claim the child as dependent, regardless of the amount of support provided by the other parent. A custodial parent may waive the right to claim the child as a dependent in a given year. If this is done, the other parent can claim the child as a dependent and must attach to his or her tax return IRS Form 8332.

Estate planning

Estate planning is deciding who will receive your property at your death. You may have already done such planning—preparing a will, and naming beneficiaries on insurance policies, pension funds, IRAs, certificates of deposit, or government bonds. If you are divorcing, review these and see if changes are needed.

Timing and method of payments

You must decide how the child support payments are to be made. Usually, payments are withheld from the wages of the parent paying support and transferred to the other parent through the Oregon Department of Human Resources. If both parents agree, other methods may be used.

In some cases, the parent paying support writes a check to the other parent. Sometimes payment is made by arranging for an automatic transfer from the checking account of the parent paying support to the checking account of the parent receiving the support.

When children are in college, sometimes parents agree that the support money is paid directly to the child. If money will be paid to the child, the parents and child need to discuss the child's use and management of the money.

As you consider the date for payment, think about when the parent paying support usually receives his or her income. It is convenient to have payments due about the same time as income is received. If income is irregular, the parent paying support must set aside money for payments in those months when there is reduced or no income.

Budgeting and recordkeeping

Both parents should keep records of money they are spending on the children. These records will be helpful for future planning.

The parent with whom the children live most of the time needs to budget for both routine and nonroutine expenses. That parent needs to set aside money from monthly support for nonroutine expenses such as expenses at the start of the school year for clothing, medical examinations, and school supplies.

The parent making child support payments needs records of all payments made. Always make payments by check; the canceled check is proof of payment. The parent receiving support needs records of all payments received. It may simplify recordkeeping to set up a separate checking account into which the child support checks are deposited.

Adjustments for nonjoint children— Worksheet A

Joint children are the minor children born to or adopted by the couple in the process of divorce. Nonjoint children are children born to or adopted by one, but not both of the spouses in the process of divorce. Stepchildren living with you are not considered nonjoint children.

If either you or your spouse has one or more nonjoint children who live with you or your spouse, or for whom you or your spouse is under a court or administrative order to pay support, complete worksheet A. If each of you have nonjoint children, you will complete two—one for mother and one for father.

Line 1

Write the gross monthly income of the parent. This is the amount on line 1 of the support computation worksheet.

Line 2

List the names and birthdates of each nonjoint child. Do not list stepchildren.

Line 3

Go to the "Scale of Basic Child Support Obligations" starting on page 21. Read down the left-hand column to the gross monthly income of the parent with the nonjoint child, read across to the number of nonjoint children listed on line 2 of worksheet A, and write that amount on line 3 of Worksheet A and on line 4 of the Support Computation Worksheet.

Worksheet A (working copy)* Nonjoint Child Credit Computation

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Worksheet B (working copy)* Regular custody

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on page 7.

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		Name: Custodial**	Name: Noncustodial	Combined	defined on page 3.
1.	Gross monthly income	p/m	p/m		
2.	Add or subtract alimony paid or received		7545	-41	
3.	Add or subtract rebuttals to income (<i>must</i> be explained in comments below)				See income computation, page 4.
4.	Subtract credit for nonjoint child(ren) from worksheet A, line 3				
5.	Adjusted gross monthly income			p/m	
6.	Percentage share of income (each parent's line 5 income divided by combined income)	%	%		
7.	Basic child support obligation (combined income @ # of children) (see scale)				
	A. Child care costs				Lines 7, 7A, 7B, and
	B. Medical expenses. Note: do <u>not</u> include insurance costs—see 11 below				7C explained on pages 4 and 5.
	C. Add or subtract rebuttals to basic support obligation (must be explained in comments section)				
8.	Total child support obligation (line $7 + 7A + 7B + 7C$)				
9.	Each parent's child support obligation (line 6 x line 8 for each parent)				
10.	Monthly child support obligation (line 9 noncustodial) (\$50 minimum order)				Mininum order explained on page 5.
11.	Cost of insurance (for joint child[ren] only) in column for parent who will provide. If noncustodial providing, and line 11 is more than line 10, fill in zero				To figure the cost of the children's health insurance, see page 7.
12.	Each parent's pro rata share of insurance cost (line 6 times line 11 for each parent)				
13.	Total presumed child support If noncustodial provides insurance, line 10 minus line 12 custodial. If custodial provides insurance, line 10 plus line 12 noncustodial.				
Otl	ner comments or rebuttal to calculations:	E BER		Man.	Rebuttals explained on page 7.

^{**}The custodial parent is the one with whom the child lives more than 65% of the time. If the child spends more than 65% of overnights with mother, write her name over the column titled "Custodial." If the child spends more than 65% of overnights with father, write his name over the column titled "Custodial."

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Worksheet C (working copy)* Split custody

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on page 7.

Total # of joint children:				defined on page 3.
# of children w/parent 1:				Joint children are
# of children w/parent 2:	Name: Parent 1	Name: Parent 2	Combined	those children born to or adopted by both parents.
1. Gross monthly income	p/m	p/m		
2. Add or subtract alimony paid or received				
3. Add or subtract rebuttals to income (<i>must</i> be explained in comments below)				See income computation, page 4.
4. Subtract credit for nonjoint child(ren) from worksheet A, line 3				
5. Adjusted gross monthly income			p/m	
6. Basic child support obligation (apply line 5 combined income on scale for <i>all</i> joint children and list total support in each column)				
7. Prorated percentage (# of children w/each parent divided by total joint children)	%	%		Lines 6, 7, and 8 explained on pages 5 and 6.
8. Prorated basic obligation for children with each parent (line 7 times line 6 for each parent)				
9. Allocation to parties A. % share of income (each parent's line 5 income divided by combined income)	%	%		
B. Parent 1 owes to Parent 2 (line 9A parent 1 times line 8 parent 2)				Lines 9A, B, and C explained on page 6.
C. Parent 2 owes to Parent 1 (line 9A Parent 2 times line 8 Parent 1)				
Note: If either parent pays health insurance premiums medical costs, do not complete item 10. Instead, compl				
10. Net obligation (if applicable) Subtract the smaller from the larger amounts in lines 9A and 9B and place the result in the parent's column with the larger amount in line 9A or 9B.				
Other comments or rebuttal to calculations:				Rebuttals explained on page 7.

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Worksheet D (working copy)* Shared custody

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on page 7.

		Name:	Name:		
		Parent 1	Parent 2	Combined	
1.	Gross monthly income	p/m	p/m		
2.	Add or subtract alimony paid or received				
3.	Add or subtract rebuttals to income (<i>must</i> be explained in comments below)				See income computa- tion, page 4.
4.	Subtract credit for nonjoint child(ren) from worksheet A, line 3				
5.	Adjusted gross monthly income			p/m	
6.	Percentage share of income (each parent's line 5 income divided by combined income)	%	%		1:7 910
7.	Basic child support obligation (combined income @ # e	of children) (see so	cale)		Lines 7, 8, and 9 explained on page 6.
8.	Basic support (line 7) times 1.5				
9.	Prorated basic support obligation (line 6 times line 8 for each parent)				
10.	Percentage of time child(ren) will be in custody of each parent. If one parent's percent = less than 35, do not use this worksheet. Instead, use the regular custody worksheet (Worksheet B).	%	%		Line 10 explained on page 6.
11.	Allocation to parties A. Parent 1 owes to Parent 2 (line 10 Parent 2 times line 9 Parent 1)				Line 11 explained on page 6.
	B. Parent 2 owes to Parent 1 (line 10 Parent 1 times line 9 Parent 1)				
	Note: If either parent pays health insurance premiums y medical costs, do not complete item 12. Instead, complete				
12.	Net obligation (if applicable) Subtract the smaller from the larger amounts in lines 11A and 11B and place the result in the parent's column with the larger amount in line 11A or11B.				
Otl	ner comments or rebuttal to calculations:				Rebuttals explained

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Worksheet E (working copy)* Child care credit

When calculating the basic child support obligation, credit is given for actual, reasonable costs incurred on behalf of any *joint* child(ren). The amount of the credit is the gross child care expense minus the federal and state income tax credit. Use the formula below.

A.	Does the custodial parent pay child care for a joint child to enable the parent to work or seek employment?
	If yes, proceed. If no, stop here.

B.	Is the child 12 years old or less, or if older, is the child disabled and not able to care for itself?
	If yes, proceed. If no, stop here.

C. What is the monthly cost of child care?	. \$	[C]
D. If there is only one joint child, enter the <i>lesser</i> of C or \$200 If there are two or more children, enter the <i>lesser</i> of C or \$400.	. \$	[D]
E. Find the custodial parent's income below on the Federal Tax Credit Table. Using the percentage of tax credit corresponding with the parent's income, multiply the percentage by D above. This amount is the federal monthly child care credit. Enter on line at right	\$	[E]
F. Find the custodial parent's income on Oregon's tax credit table below. Using the percentage of tax credit corresponding with the parent's income, multiply the percentage by D above. This amount is the Oregon monthly child care credit. Enter on line at right	. \$	[F]
G. Add together E and F. Enter on the line at right	. \$	[G]
H. Subtract line G from C to arrive at net child care cost. Enter result on line at right	. \$	[H]

Tax Credit % .30 .29
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Gross Monthly Income	Tax Credit %
\$ 0 to 416	.30
417 to 833	.15
834 to 1250	.08
1,251 to 2,083	.06
2,084 to 2,916	.05
2,917 to 3,750	.04

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Worksheet G (working copy)* Out-of-pocket expenses, shared/split custody

For more information...

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	Parent 1	Parent 2	Combined	
Weighted percentage A. Parent 1's support obligation (from worksheet C, line 9B, or from worksheet D, line 11A)				
B. Parent 2's support obligation (from worksheet C, line 9C, or from worksheet D, line 11B)				
C. Total obligation (line 1A plus line 1B)				
D. Parent 1's weighted percentage (line 1A divided by line 1C)	%			
E. Parent 2's weighted percentage (line 1B divided by line 1C)		%		
Additional costs/expenses A. Health insurance for children (place amount paid by each parent in column for that parent)				Children's health insurance, page 7.
B. Child care (place amount paid by each parent in column for that parent)			773	Child care, page 5, line 7A.
C. Recurring medical costs (place amount paid by each parent in column for that parent)				Recurring medical costs, page 5, line 7B.
D. Total costs/expenses (add lines 2A, 2B, and 2C)			THE STATE OF	
3. Pro rata share of costs/expenses A. Parent 1's share (line 1D times line 2D)				
B. Parent 2's share (line 1E times line 2D)				
4. Adjustment A. Parent 1 total obligation (line 1A plus line 3A)				
B. Parent 1 credit for payments (add all amounts from lines 2A through 2C, Parent 1 column)				
C. Total Parent 1 obligation (line 4A minus line 4B)				
D. Parent 2 total obligation (line 1B plus line 3B)				
E. Parent 2 credit for payments (add all amounts from lines 2A through 2C, Parent 2 column)				- Later to
F. Total Parent 2 obligation (line 4D minus line 4E)				
5. Net obligation (if applicable)—total presumed child support Subtract the smaller from the larger amounts in lines 4C and 4F and place the result in the parent's column with the larger amount in line 4C or 4F. Note: if there is a negative number in line 4C or 4F, that number should be added to the other amount.				Rebuttals explained on page 7.

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Oregon Scale of Basic Child Support Obligations

Gross Children								
Income	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven or more	
750	50	50	50	50	50	50	For each additional	
800	78	79	80	81	82	83	child, add 6.6% to th	
850	85	86	87	88	89	90	amount for six	
900	90	104	105	106	107	108	children.	
950	95	122	123	125	126	127		
1000	105	146	148	150	152	153		
1050	113	156	172	174	176	177		
1100	121	187	196	198	200	202		
1150	126	195	216	218	220	222		
1200	134	209	242	245	247	250		
1250	143	222	269	272	275	278		
1300	156	242	303	309	312	315		
1350	162	251	315	331	335	339		
1400	168	261	327	355	359	362		
1450	174	270	337	378	382	386		
1500	180	279	349	394	405	410		
1550	186	288	361	407	429	434		
1600	192	298	372	420	457	458		
1650	198	307	384	434	471	482		
1700	204	316	396	447	486	508		
1750	210	326	407	460	500	535		
1800	216	334	419	473	514	552		
1850	222	344	431	486	528	566		
1900	228	353	442	499	543	582		
1950	234	363	454	512	557	597		
2000	245	380	475	536	583	625		
2050	256	397	497	561	609	653		
2100	267	414	519	586	636	682		
2150	279	432	541	611	664	711		
2200	286	443	555	626	680	731		
2250	292	453	566	639	695	746		
2300	299	463	580	655	712	763		
2350	305	473	590	668	726	779		
2400	312	484	605	683	742	802		
2450	318	493	617	696	757	825		
2500	325	504	631	712	774	848		
2550	331	513	642	725	788	871		
2600	338	524	656	740	804	894		
2650	344	533	667	753	819	917		
2700	351	544	681	769	835	940		
2750	357	553	693	782	850	963		
2800	364	564	706	797	866	986		
2850	370	574	718	810	881	1009		
2900	377	584	731	826	897	1032		
2950	383	594	743	839	912	1055		
3000	398	616	771	870	939	1078		
3050	412	639	799	902	966	1100		
	412	648	811	902	900	1113		
3100 3150	418	659	825	913	1020	1113		
3200	432	670	838	946	1047	1140		

Oregon Scale of Basic Child Support Obligations—continued

Gross				Children			
Income	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven or more
3250	438	679	850	959	1074	1153	For each additional
3300	454	703	880	993	1090	1167	child, add 6.6% to the
3350	469	727	910	1017	1103	1180	amount for six
3400	478	743	929	1026	1112	1190	children.
3450	488	759	936	1034	1121	1199	
3500	494	768	943	1042	1129	1208	
3550	499	776	950	1050	1138	1217	
3600	505	785	957	1057	1146	1226	
3650	510	793	964	1065	1155	1236	
3700	516	802	971	1073	1163	1245	
3750	521	811	978	1081	1172	1254	
3800	527	819	985	1089	1180	1263	
3850	532	828	992	1097	1189	1272	
3900	538	837	999	1104	1197	1281	
3950	543	845	1006	1112	1206	1290	
4000	549	854	1014	1120	1214	1299	
4050	555	864	1021	1128	1223	1308	
4100	561	873	1021	1136	1223	1308	
		878	1028		1231		
4150	568			1142		1325	
4200	574	882	1038	1147	1243	1331	
4250	579	886	1043	1152	1249	1336	
4300	585	890	1047	1157	1255	1342	
4350	591	894	1052	1162	1260	1348	
4400	597	899	1057	1168	1266	1354	
4450	602	903	1061	1173	1271	1360	
4500	608	907	1066	1178	1277	1366	
4550	614	911	1071	1183	1282	1372	
4600	619	915	1075	1188	1288	1378	
4650	625	919	1080	1193	1293	1384	
4700	631	923	1084	1198	1298	1389	
4750	637	927	1088	1203	1304	1395	
4800	642	931	1093	1207	1309	1400	
4850	648	935	1097	1212	1314	1406	
4900	653	939	1101	1217	1319	1412	
4950	659	943	1106	1222	1325	1418	
5000	664	947	1111	1228	1331	1424	
5050	669	951	1116	1233	1337	1430	
5100	674	956	1122	1239	1343	1438	
5150	679	961	1127	1245	1350	1445	
5200	684	965	1133	1252	1357	1452	
5250	689	970	1138	1258	1363	1459	
5300	694	975	1144	1264	1370	1466	
5350	699	980	1149	1270	1376	1473	
5400	704	984	1155	1276	1383	1480	
5450	709	989	1160	1282	1390	1487	
5500	714	994	1166	1288	1396	1494	
5550	719	998	1171	1294	1403	1501	
5600	725	1003	1177	1300	1409	1508	
5650	730	1008	1183	1307	1416	1516	
5700	735	1015	1190	1315	1426	1525	

Oregon Scale of Basic Child Support Obligations—continued

Gross				Children			
Income	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven or more
5750	740	1021	1198	1324	1435	1535	For each additional
5800	745	1028	1205	1332	1444	1545	child, add 6.6% to the
850	750	1035	1213	1340	1453	1555	amount for six
5900	755	1041	1221	1349	1462	1564	children.
5950	760	1048	1228	1357	1471	1574	
6000	765	1054	1236	1366	1480	1584	
6050	770	1061	1243	1374	1489	1594	
6100	775	1068	1251	1382	1499	1603	
6150	780	1074	1259	1391	1508	1613	
6200	785	1081	1266	1399	1517	1623	
6250	790	1087	1274	1408	1526	1633	
6300	796	1094	1281	1416	1535	1642	
6350	801	1100	1289	1424	1544	1652	
6400		1100	1296	1424	1553	1661	
	806						
6450	811	1113	1303	1440	1561	1671	
6500	816	1119	1311	1448	1570	1680	
6550	821	1125	1318	1456	1579	1689	
6600	826	1131	1325	1464	1587	1698	
6650	831	1137	1332	1472	1596	1707	
6700	836	1144	1339	1480	1604	1717	
6750	839	1150	1346	1488	1613	1726	
6800	843	1156	1354	1496	1621	1735	
6850	847	1162	1361	1504	1630	1744	
6900	851	1168	1368	1512	1639	1753	
5950	854	1174	1375	1520	1647	1763	
7000	858	1181	1382	1528	1656	1772	
7050	862	1187	1390	1535	1664	1781	
7100	865	1193	1397	1543	1673	1790	
7150	869	1199	1404	1551	1682	1799	
7200	873	1205	1411	1559	1690	1808	
7250	877	1211	1418	1567	1699	1818	
7300	880	1218	1425	1575	1707	1827	
7350	884	1224	1433	1583	1716	1836	
7400	888	1230	1440	1591	1725	1845	
7450	891	1236	1447	1599	1733	1854	
7500	895	1242	1453	1606	1741	1863	
7550	899	1247	1460	1614	1749	1871	
7600	903	1253	1467	1621	1757	1880	
7650	906	1259	1474	1628	1765	1889	
7700	910	1265	1480	1636	1773	1897	
7750	914	1203	1487	1643	1773	1906	
7800		1271	1494	1651	1789	1900	
	917						
7850	921	1282	1501	1658	1797	1923	
7900	925	1288	1507	1666	1805	1932	
7950	928	1294	1514	1673	1814	1940	
8000	931	1299	1521	1680	1822	1949	
8050	934	1305	1527	1688	1830	1958	
8100	937	1311	1534	1695	1838	1966	
8150	939	1317	1541	1703	1846	1975	
8200	942	1322	1548	1710	1854	1984	

Oregon Scale of Basic Child Support Obligations—continued

Gross Children								
Income	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven or more	
8250	945	1328	1554	1718	1862	1992	For each additional	
8300	948	1334	1561	1725	1870	2001	child, add 6.6% to the	
8350	951	1340	1568	1732	1878	2009	amount for six	
8400	954	1346	1575	1740	1886	2018	children.	
8450	956	1351	1581	1747	1894	2027		
8500	959	1357	1588	1755	1902	2035		
8550	962	1363	1595	1762	1910	2044		
8600	965	1369	1601	1770	1918	2053		
8650	968	1374	1608	1777	1926	2061		
8700	970	1380	1615	1785	1934	2070		
8750	973	1386	1622	1792	1942	2078		
8800	976	1392	1628	1799	1951	2087		
8850	979	1397	1635	1807	1959	2096		
8900	982	1403	1642	1815	1967	2105		
8950	985	1410	1650	1823	1976	2114		
9000	987	1416	1657	1831	1985	2124		
9050	990	1422	1665	1839	1994	2134		
9100	993	1428	1672	1848	2003	2143		
9150	996	1434	1680	1856	2012	2153		
9200	999	1440	1687	1864	2021	2162		
9250	1002	1446	1695	1873	2030	2172		
9300	1004	1453	1702	1881	2039	2181		
9350	1007	1459	1710	1889	2048	2191		
9400	1009	1465	1717	1897	2057	2201		
9450	1012	1471	1724	1906	2066	2210		
9500	1014	1477	1732	1914	2075	2220		
9550	1016	1483	1739	1922	2084	2229		
9600	1019	1490	1747	1930	2092	2239		
9650	1021	1496	1754	1939	2101	2249		
9700	1024	1502	1762	1947	2110	2258		
9750	1026	1508	1769	1955	2119	2268		
9800	1029	1514	1777	1963	2128	2277		
9850	1031	1520	1784	1972	2137	2287		
9900	1034	1526	1792	1980	2146	2296		
9950	1036	1533	1799	1988	2155	2306		
0,000	1039	1539	1807	1996	2164	2316		

More than 10,000

When the combined adjusted gross income exceeds \$10,000 per month, the presumed basic child support obligation shall be the same as for parents with combined adjusted gross income of \$10,000 per month. This may be rebutted. See "Rebuttals," page 7.



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