

NOTICE OF HEARING - PETITION TO MODIFY CHILD SUPPORT

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| Vermont Family Court | County | Docket Number |
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| Plaintiff | Defendant |
| VS. | |

A hearing will be held on the attached Petition to Modify Child Support.

The hearing will be held on: at AM
PM

at:

Location of Courthouse

At this hearing, the Court will determine whether to modify the amount of child support and whether to require the employer of the plaintiff or the defendant to withhold wages from the person obligated to pay child support.

Both the plaintiff and defendant must complete the attached Affidavit of Income and Assets and file it with the Court prior to the hearing date or bring it to the hearing.

On or before the hearing date, the plaintiff and defendant must exchange tax returns for the two most recent years in which returns were filed, along with all schedules and documentation that were submitted to the Internal Revenue Service. A written certification must be submitted to the Court that this exchange has been completed.

Both plaintiff and defendant must also file or bring to the hearing:

- pay stubs for the four most recent pay periods in which employment income was received, if any;
- monthly income and expense statements or equivalent documents covering the period following a self-employed person's last-filed income tax return; and
- documentation of all other income received during the period following any person's last-filed income tax return (including social security, workers' compensation, unemployment compensation, disability and pensions).

Failure to provide these documents shall create a presumption that the noncomplying parent's gross income is the greater of:

- \$43,029.77 which is 150 percent of the current "annual average covered wage for all employment" as calculated by the Department of Employment and Training; OR
- the gross income indicated by any evidence presented to the Court.

The Court may issue an order on parental rights and responsibilities (custody) and parent-child contact (visitation) even if both parties don't appear at the hearing.

The Office of Child Support is available to assist the plaintiff and defendant to prepare for the hearing. If you would like information about their services, you may contact them at **1-800-786 3214.**

Court Clerk Date