

INTRODUCTION TO ALABAMA MODEL PARENTING PLAN FORM

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The **Alabama Model Parenting Plan Form** contains crucial information for parenting decisions and time-sharing. Ideally, parents will utilize the **Alabama Model Parenting Plan Form** to discuss parenting decisions before the court date. The **Alabama Model Parenting Plan Form** includes the **General Time-Sharing Schedule**, which is discussed in detail later in the Handbook.

Many crucial parenting decisions are detailed in the **Alabama Model Parenting Plan Form**. Care should be taken to develop a suitable parenting plan for each family's situation. The Handbook is designed to provide an **Alabama Model Parenting Plan Form** that can be customized for families.

General Time-Sharing Schedules Overview

General Time-Sharing Schedules provide options for when parents spend time with their child(ren) during the general school year. A **General Time-Sharing Schedule Form** you select will be attached to the **Alabama Model Parenting Plan Form** as **Appendix A**.

The types of physical custody are associated with colors (**Green – Joint Physical Custody**, **Blue – Sole Physical Custody Close residences**, **Purple – Sole Physical Custody Distant Residences**, and **Red – Restricted Physical Custody**).

Holiday and Summer Time-Sharing Schedules are incorporated in the **Alabama Model Parenting Plan Form** (See Section IV on Alabama Model Parenting Plan Form).

Assumptions for Using Green, Blue or Purple General Time-Sharing Schedules

- Parties have no history of family violence (including child abuse).
- Parties have no history of substance abuse.
- There is no risk of flight with the child(ren).
- There is no reason for the court to believe that time with either parent will endanger the child(ren)'s physical health or safety, or impair the child(ren)'s emotional development.
- There is no reason for the court to require supervised visitation of child(ren) with either parent.