# Exhibit: Standard Possession (Visitation) and Access Order

The Court ORDERS that each conservator shall comply with all terms and conditions of this standard possession (visitation) order.

The Court ORDERS that this standard possession (visitation) order is effective immediately and applies to all periods of possession occurring on and after the date the Court signs the order to which this exhibit is attached.

### **Designation of Conservators**

The Court ORDERS that the conservators are designated in this exhibit as Home Parent and Co-parent.

The conservator known as the 'Home Parent' is: (name)

The conservator known as the 'Co-Parent' is: (name)

### **Mutual Agreement**

The Court ORDERS that Home Parent and Co-Parent shall have possession of the child/ren at any and all times mutually agreed to in advance by Home Parent and Co-Parent.

In the absence of mutual agreement, the Court ORDERS that Home Parent and Co-Parent shall have possession of the child/ren as ordered below.

### **Undesignated Times**

The Home Parent shall have the right to possession of the child/ren at all times not specifically ordered for Co-Parent.

### Definitions

"**School**" means the primary or secondary school where a child is enrolled, or if the child is not enrolled in a primary or secondary school, the public school district where the child primarily resides.

"Child" includes each child, whether one or more, who is part of this case while that child is under the age of eighteen years and not otherwise emancipated.

A "**weekend**" begins on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month at 6pm, and ends on the following Sunday at 6 pm, except when:

- The box "After school\*\* is checked, then during the regular school year, the weekend begins at the time the child/ren's school is dismissed before the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, or 5<sup>th</sup> weekend of each month.
- The box "Next school day<sup>\*\*\*</sup> is checked, then during the regular school year, the weekend ends at the time the child/ren's school starts on the next school day after the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, or 5<sup>th</sup> weekend of each month (if Co-Parent cannot return the children to school on time, s/he must notify the school and the other parent).
- The 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd,</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> weekend coincides with a student holiday or teacher's in-service day or federal, state or local holiday that falls on a Monday, then the weekend begins on Friday, and ends on Monday; if the holiday falls on a Friday, then the weekend begins on Thursday, and ends on Sunday.
- If a weekend or midweek visit conflicts with the holiday or summer schedule, you must follow the holiday or summer schedule.

# Schedules

When the Co-Parent liv	<b>Local Schedule</b> es within 100 miles of the primary residence of the child/ren, the e right to possession of the child/ren as follows:	Co-parent's right to possession shall begin at:	Co-parent's right to possession shall end at:
Weekends*	On the 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , and 5 <sup>th</sup> weekend of each month. See definition above	□ After school** □ 6 pm	<ul> <li>□ Next school day***</li> <li>□ 6 pm</li> </ul>
Mid-Week Visit	On Thursday of each school week	<ul><li>□ After school**</li><li>□ 6 pm</li></ul>	<ul> <li>School starts</li> <li>on Friday</li> <li>8 pm</li> </ul>
Thanksgiving Odd-Numbered Years	Starts last day of school before Thanksgiving and ends on Sunday.	<ul> <li>After school**</li> <li>6 pm</li> </ul>	6 pm
Christmas Break Even-Numbered Years	Starts the last day of school before Christmas Break and ends December 28 <sup>th</sup> .	<ul> <li>After school**</li> <li>6 pm</li> </ul>	noon
Christmas Break Odd-Numbered Years	Starts on December 28 <sup>th</sup> and ends the day before school starts after Christmas Break.	noon	6 pm
Spring Break Even-Numbered Years	Starts the last day of school before Spring Break and ends the day before school starts after Spring Break.	<ul> <li>After school**</li> <li>6 pm</li> </ul>	6 pm
Standard Summer	Starts on July 1 <sup>st</sup> and ends on July 31 <sup>st</sup> .	6 pm	6 pm
Different Summer Co-Parent must notify Home Parent of the dates, in writing, by April 1.	If Co-Parent gives Home Parent written notice by April 1 of each year, Co- Parent may choose a different 30-day summer schedule. The schedule must be: after school is dismissed for summer break, only 1 or 2 blocks of time, each at least 1 week long, and <b>not</b> during the last week of the summer break	6 pm	6 pm
<b>1B. Home Parent's Local Schedule</b> Notwithstanding the weekend and midweek periods of possession ordered for Co-Parent above, it is expressly ORDERED that Home parent shall have a superior right to possession of the children as follows:		Home- parent's right to possession shall begin at:	Home- parent's right to possession shall end at:
Thanksgiving Even-Numbered Years	Starts the last day of school before Thanksgiving and ends Sunday.	6 pm	6 pm
Christmas Break Odd-Numbered Years	Starts the last day of school before Christmas Break and ends December 28 <sup>th</sup> .	6 pm	noon
Christmas Break Even-Numbered Years	Starts on December 28 <sup>th</sup> and ends the day before school starts after Christmas Break.	noon	6 pm
<b>Spring Break</b> Odd-Numbered Years	Starts the last day of school before Spring Break and ends the day before school starts after Spring Break.	6 pm	6pm
<b>Extended Summer</b> Home Parent must notify Co-Parent of the dates, in writing, by April 15 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>If the Home Parent gives the Co-parent written notice by April 15 of each year, the Home-parent may designate 21 days beginning not earlier than the day after the child's school is dismissed for the summer. The dates must be exercised in not more than 2 separate periods of at least 7 consecutive days each.</li> <li>The dates must not be:</li> <li>during the last week of the summer break</li> <li>during days when the Co-Parent has a scheduled summer, or Father's/Mother's Day visitation</li> </ul>		6 pm
Summer Weekend During Co-Parent's Summer Visitation Home Parent must notify Co-Parent of the dates, in writing, by April 15 <sup>th</sup>	If the Home Parent gives the Co-parent written notice by April 15 of each year, the Home-parent shall have possession of the child/ren on 1 weekend during the child/ren's summer break, when the Co-Parent would otherwise be entitled to weekend possession of the child/ren. The weekend: • Cannot interfere with the Co-Parent's Father's or Mother's Day weekend • Cannot be the last weekend of summer	6 pm	6 pm

<b>2A. Co-Parent's Long Distance Schedule</b> When Co-Parent lives more than 100 miles from the primary residence of the child/ren, the Co-Parent shall have the right to possession of the child/ren as follows:		Co-parent's right to possession shall begin at:	Co-parent's right to possession shall end at:
	On the 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , and 5 <sup>th</sup> weekend of each month. A weekend starts Friday and ends Sunday. OR Alternate Weekend Possession** If Co-Parent gives Home Parent written notice within 90 days after residing more than 100 miles apart, Co-Parent shall have possession of the child/ren for any one weekend per month that the Co-Parent chooses. The Co-Parent must give the Home Parent at least 14 days notice (by phone or in writing), and the weekend cannot interfere with the holiday schedule.	6 pm	6 pm
Thanksgiving Odd-Numbered Years	Starts the last day of school before Thanksgiving and ends on Sunday.	6 pm	6 pm
	Starts the last day of school before Christmas Break and ends December 28 <sup>th</sup> .	6 pm	noon
Christmas Break Odd-Numbered Years	Starts on December 28 <sup>th</sup> and ends the day before school starts after Christmas Break.	noon	6 pm
	Starts the last day of school before Spring Break and ends the day before school starts after Spring Break.	6 pm	6 pm
Standard Summer	Starts on June 15 <sup>th</sup> and ends on July 27 <sup>th</sup>	6 pm	6 pm
Different Summer Co-Parent must notify Home Parent of the dates, in writing, by April 1.	<ul> <li>If Co-Parent gives Home Parent written notice by April 1 of each year, the Co-Parent may choose a different 42-day summer schedule, but it must be:</li> <li>Only 1 or 2 blocks of time, each at least 1 week long,</li> <li>Not during the last week of the summer break</li> </ul>	6 pm	6 pm
<b>2B. Home Parent's Long Distance Schedule</b> Notwithstanding the weekend periods of possession ORDERED for Co-parent above, it is expressly ORDERED that Home parent shall have a superior right to possession of the children as follows:		Home Parent's Right to Possession shall begin at:	right to Possession
Thanksgiving Even-numbered years	Starts last day of school before Thanksgiving and ends Sunday.	6 pm	6 pm
Christmas Break Odd-Numbered Years	Starts the last day of school before Christmas Break and ends December 28 <sup>th</sup> .	6 pm	noon
Christmas Break Even-Numbered Years	Starts on December 28 <sup>th</sup> and ends the day before school starts after Christmas Break.	Noon	6 pm
<b>Extended Summer</b> Home Parent must notify Co-Parent of the dates, in writing, by April 15 <sup>th</sup> , or give at least 14 days written notice of the dates, after April 15 <sup>th</sup> .	<ul> <li>The Home Parent may choose 21 days during the summer when the child/ren will stay with the Home Parent.</li> <li>The Home Parent's schedule must be:</li> <li>Not during the last week of the summer break</li> <li>Not during days when the Co-Parent has a scheduled summer, or Father Only I or 2 blocks of time, each at least 1 week long</li> </ul>	6 pm er's/Mother's Day vi	6 pm
Summer Weekend During Co-Parent's Summer Visitation Home Parent must notify Co-Parent of the dates, in writing, by April 15 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>If the Co-Parent's summer visitation is 31 days or more, the Home Parent may choose to have the children for two weekends during the Co-Parent's summer visitation (or one weekend if the Co-Parent's summer visitation is 30 days or less). The weekends:</li> <li>Cannot be consecutive weekends during the Co-Parent's summer visitation schedule</li> <li>Cannot interfere with the Co-Parent's Father's or Mother's Day weekend</li> <li>Cannot be the last weekend of summer</li> </ul>	6 pm	6 pm

#### 3. Child's Birthday, Mother's Day and Father's Day

Home Parent and Co-Parent shall also have the right to possession of the child/ren as follows, notwithstanding the weekend and midweek periods of possession ordered for Co-parent and regardless of the distance between the residence of a parent and the child:

#### **Child's Birthdays**

The Parent who does not already have a scheduled visit on the child's birthday shall have the right to possession of the child on the child's birthday, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., provided he or she picks up the child from the residence of the parent entitled to possession, and returns the child to the same place.

(Check here only if you want to include the child's minor siblings for this birthday visit.) This visit shall include the child's minor siblings.

#### Father's Day

If a conservator, the Father shall have possession of the child/ren on Father's Day weekend, provided he picks up the child/ren from the residence of the parent entitled to possession, and returns the child/ren to the same place.

The weekend starts Friday before Father's Day at 6 p.m. and ends at:

6 p.m. Sunday **or** 8 a.m. on the Monday after Father's Day

#### Mother's Day

If a conservator, the Mother shall have possession of the child/ren on Mother's Day weekend, provided she picks up the child/ren from the residence of the parent entitled to possession, and returns the child/ren to the same place.

The weekend starts Friday before Mother's Day at 6 p.m. and ends at:

6 p.m. Sunday **or** 8 a.m. on the Monday after Mother's Day

#### 4. General terms and Conditions

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this standard Possession Order, the following terms and conditions apply regardless of the distance between the residence of a parent and the child:

#### Exchange of Children at Start of Co-parent's Possession

The Court ORDERS the Home Parent to surrender the child/ren to the Co-Parent at the beginning of Coparent's possession at: (Check one.)

Home parent's residence.

Co-Parent's residence.

The following location: \_\_\_\_

If a period of possession begins at the time the child/ren's school is regularly dismissed, the Court ORDERS the Home parent to surrender the child to Co-parent at the beginning of each such period of possession at the school in which the child is enrolled.

If the child is <u>not</u> in school, Co-parent shall pick up the child at the location designated above and the Court ORDERS the Home parent to surrender the child to Co-parent at the location designated above at 6 pm.

If the children will not be in school, the Home-Parent shall immediately notify the Co-Parent.

#### Exchange of Children at End of Co-Parent's Possession

The Court ORDERS the Co-Parent to surrender the child/ren to the Home Parent at the end of Co-Parent's possession at: (Check one.)

Home parent's residence.

Co-Parent's residence.

The following location: \_

However, if the Home Parent and Co-Parent live in the same county when the order is signed and the Co-Parent remains in the county, but the Home Parent moves out of the county, then beginning on the date Home Parent moves, Co-Parent shall return the child/ren to the Home parent at: *(Check one.)* 

Co-Parent's	residence.
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the location designated above.

If a period of possession ends at the time the child/ren's school resumes, the Court ORDERS the Co-Parent to surrender the child/ren to Home Parent at the end of each such period of possession at the school in which the child is enrolled or, if the child is not in school, at the residence of Home Parent at 7 a.m.

If the child/ren will not be delivered to school on that day, Co-Parent shall immediately notify the school and Home Parent that the child/ren will not or has not been returned to school.

## **Child/ren's Personal Effects**

The Court ORDERS each conservator to return with the child/ren the personal effects that the child brought at the beginning of the period of possession.

### **Designation of Competent Adult**

Each conservator may designate any competent adult to pick up and return the child/ren, as applicable. The Court ORDERS that a conservator or designated competent adult be present when the child/ren is/are picked up or returned.

### Notice if Unable to Exercise Possession

The Court ORDERS each conservator to give notice to the person in possession of the child on each occasion that the conservator will be unable to exercise that conservator's right of possession for any specified period.

### Written Notice

Written notice shall be deemed to have been timely made if received or postmarked before or at the time that notice is due.

#### 5. Warnings —

FAILURE TO OBEY A COURT ORDER FOR CHILD SUPPORT OR FOR POSSESSION OF OR ACCESS TO A CHILD MAY RESULT IN FURTHER LITIGATION TO ENFORCE THIS ORDER, INCLUDING CONTEMPT OF COURT. A FINDING OF CONTEMPT MAY BE PUNISHABLE BY CONFINEMENT IN JAIL FOR UP TO SIX MONTHS, A FINE OF UP TO \$500 FOR EACH VIOLATION, AND A MONEY JUDGMENT FOR PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COURT COSTS.

FAILURE OF A PARTY TO MAKE A CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT TO THE PLACE AND IN THE MANNER REQUIRED BY A COURT ORDER MAY RESULT IN THE PARTY'S NOT RECEIVING CREDIT FOR MAKING THE PAYMENT.

FAILURE OF A PARTY TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT DOES NOT JUSTIFY DENYING THAT PARTY COURT-ORDERED POSSESSION OF OR ACCESS TO A CHILD. REFUSAL BY A PARTY TO ALLOW POSSESSION OF OR ACCESS TO A CHILD DOES NOT JUSTIFY FAILURE TO PAY COURT-ORDERED CHILD SUPPORT TO THAT PARTY.

EACH PERSON WHO IS A PARTY TO THIS ORDER IS ORDERED TO NOTIFY EVERY OTHER PARTY, THE COURT, AND THE STATE CHILD SUPPORT REGISTRY OF ANY CHANGE IN THE PARTY'S CURRENT RESIDENCE ADDRESS, MAILING ADDRESS, HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER, NAME OF EMPLOYER, ADDRESS OF EMPLOYMENT, DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER, AND WORK TELEPHONE NUMBER. THE PARTY IS ORDERED TO GIVE NOTICE OF AN INTENDED CHANGE IN ANY OF THE REQUIRED INFORMATION TO THE OTHER PARTY, THE COURT, AND THE STATE CASE REGISTRY ON OR BEFORE THE 60TH DAY BEFORE THE INTENDED CHANGE. IF THE PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR COULD NOT HAVE KNOWN OF THE CHANGE IN SUFFICIENT TIME TO GIVE NOTICE OF THE CHANGE TO PROVIDE 60-DAYS NOTICE, THE PARTY IS ORDERED TO GIVE NOTICE OF THE CHANGE ON OR BEFORE THE 5TH DAY AFTER THE DATE THAT THE PARTY KNOWS OF THE CHANGE.

THE DUTY TO FURNISH THIS INFORMATION TO EVERY OTHER PARTY, THE COURT, AND THE STATE CASE REGISTRY CONTINUES AS LONG AS ANY PERSON, BY VIRTUE OF THIS ORDER, IS UNDER AN OBLIGATION TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT OR ENTITLED TO POSSESSION OF OR ACCESS TO A CHILD.

FAILURE BY A PARTY TO OBEY THE ORDER OF THIS COURT TO PROVIDE EVERY OTHER PARTY, THE COURT, AND THE STATE CASE REGISTRY WITH THE CHANGE IN THE REQUIRED INFORMATION MAY RESULT IN FURTHER LITIGATION TO ENFORCE THE ORDER, INCLUDING CONTEMPT OF COURT. A FINDING OF CONTEMPT MAY BE PUNISHABLE BY CONFINEMENT IN JAIL FOR UP TO SIX MONTHS, A FINE OF UP TO \$500 FOR EACH VIOLATION, AND A MONEY JUDGMENT FOR PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COURT COSTS.

NOTICE SHALL BE GIVEN TO EVERY OTHER PARTY BY DELIVERING A COPY OF THE NOTICE TO EACH PARTY BY REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED. NOTICE SHALL BE GIVEN TO THE COURT AND THE STATE CASE REGISTRY BY DELIVERING A COPY OF THE NOTICE EITHER IN PERSON TO THE CLERK OF THE COURT OR BY REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED MAIL ADDRESSED TO THE CLERK.

NOTICE TO ANY PEACE OFFICER OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: YOU MAY USE REASONABLE EFFORTS TO ENFORCE THE TERMS OF CHILD CUSTODY SPECIFIED IN THIS ORDER.

A PEACE OFFICER WHO RELIES ON THE TERMS OF A COURT ORDER AND THE OFFICER'S AGENCY ARE ENTITLED TO THE APPLICABLE IMMUNITY AGAINST ANY CLAIM, CIVIL OR OTHERWISE, REGARDING THE OFFICER'S GOOD FAITH ACTS PERFORMED IN THE SCOPE OF THE OFFICER'S DUTIES IN ENFORCING THE TERMS OF THE ORDER THAT RELATE TO CHILD CUSTODY.

ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY PRESENTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AN ORDER THAT IS INVALID OR NO LONGER IN EFFECT COMMITS AN OFFENSE THAT MAY BE PUNISHABLE BY CONFINEMENT IN JAIL FOR AS LONG AS TWO YEARS AND A FINE OF AS MUCH AS \$10,000.

This concludes the Possession (Visitation) Order.