

Instructions to complete the Order/Notice to Withhold Income for Child Support or Notice of an Order to Withhold Income for Child Support

The Order/Notice to Withhold Income for Child Support (Order/Notice) or Notice of an Order to Withhold Income for Child Support (Notice) is a standardized form used for income withholding in tribal, intrastate, interstate, and intergovernmental cases. Please note that information provided on this form may be shared with the obligor. When completing the form, please include the following information.

The following information 1a – 1g refers to the government agency, non-government entity, or individual completing and sending this form to the employer.

- 1a. Check whether this is an Order/Notice to Withhold Income for Child Support or a Notice of an Order to Withhold Income for Child Support. Attorneys, individuals, and non-governmental entities must submit a Notice of an Order to Withhold and include a copy of the income withholding order unless, under a state's law, an attorney in that state may issue an income withholding order/notice. In that case, the attorney may submit an Order/Notice to Withhold and include a copy of the state law authorizing the attorney to issue an income withholding order/notice.
- 1b. Check the appropriate status of the Order or Notice.
- 1c. Date this form is completed and/or signed.
- 1d. Name of the state, tribe or territory sending this form. This must be a governmental entity.
- 1e. Name of the county, city, district, or reservation sending this Order or Notice, if appropriate. This must be a governmental entity.
- 1f. Check and indicate the non-governmental entity or individual sending this Order or Notice. Complete this item only if a non-governmental entity or individual is submitting this Order or Notice.
- 1g. Identifying case number used by the entity or individual sending this Order or Notice. In a IV-D case, this must be the IV-D case number.

The following information in 2 and 3 refers to the obligor, obligor's employer, and case identification.

- 2a. Employer's/Withholder's name.
- 2b-c. Employer's/Withholder's mailing address, city, and state. (This may differ from the Employee's/Obligor's work site.)
- 2d. Employer's/Withholder's nine-digit federal employer identification number (if available). Include three-digit location code.

- 3a. Employee's/Obligor's last name, first name, and middle initial.
- 3b. Employee's/Obligor's Social Security Number (if known).
- 3c. The case identifier used by the order issuing state or tribe for recording payments. (Should be the same as #21.) In a IV-D case, this must be the IV-D case number.
- 3d. Custodial Parent's last name, first name, and middle initial (if known).

ORDER INFORMATION - The following information in 4 -14e refers to the dollar amounts taken directly from the child support order.

- 4. Name of the state or tribe that issued the support order.
- 5a-b. Dollar amount to be withheld for payment of current child support, time period that corresponds to the amount in #6a (such as month, week, etc.).
- 6a-b. Dollar amount to be withheld for payment of past-due child support, time period that corresponds to the amount in #6a (such as month, week, etc.).
- 7a-b. Dollar amount to be withheld for payment of current cash medical support, as appropriate, based on the underlying order, time period that corresponds to the amount in #7a (such as month, week, etc.).
- 8a-b. Dollar amount to be withheld for payment of past-due cash medical support, if appropriate, based on the underlying order and the time period that corresponds to the amount in #8a (such as month, week, etc.).
- 9a-b. Dollar amount to be withheld for payment of spousal support (alimony), if appropriate, based on the underlying order, time period that corresponds to the amount in #9a (such as month, week, etc.).
- 10a-b. Dollar amount to be withheld for payment of past-due spousal support (alimony), if appropriate, based on the underlying order, time period that corresponds to the amount in #10a (such as month, week, etc.).
- 11a-c. Dollar amount to be withheld for payment of miscellaneous obligations, if appropriate, based on the underlying order, time period that corresponds to the amount in #11a (e.g., month, week, etc.), and description of the miscellaneous obligation.
- 12a. Total of #5a, #6a, #7a, #8a, #9a, #10a, and # 11a.
- 12b. Time period that corresponds to the amount in #12a (e.g., month).
- 13. Check this box if arrears greater than 12 weeks.
- 14a. Amount an employer should withhold if the employee is paid weekly.

- 14b. Amount an employer should withhold if the employee is paid every two weeks.
- 14c. Amount an employer should withhold if the employee is paid twice a month.
- 14d. Amount an employer should withhold if the employee is paid once a month.

REMITTANCE INFORMATION

- 15. The state, tribe, or territory from which this Order/Notice or Notice of an Order is sent.
- 16. Number of days in which the withholding must begin pursuant to the issuing state's or tribe's laws/procedures.
- 17. The effective date of the income withholding.
- 18. Number of working days within which an employer or other withholder of income must remit amounts withheld pursuant to the issuing state's law.
- 19. The percentage of income that may be withheld from the employee's/obligor's income. For state orders, you may not withhold more than the lesser of: 1) the amounts allowed by the Federal Consumer Credit Protection Act (15 U.S.C. § 1673(b)); or 2) the amounts allowed by the state of the employee's/obligor's principal place of employment. The federal limit applies to the aggregate disposable weekly earnings (ADWE). ADWE is the net income left after making mandatory deductions such as: state, federal, local taxes, Social Security taxes, statutory pension contributions, and Medicare taxes.

For tribal orders, you may not withhold more than the amounts allowed under the law of the issuing tribe. For tribal employers who receive a state order, you may not withhold more than the amounts allowed under the law of the state that issued the order.

- 20. The state, tribe, or territory from which the Order or Notice is sent.
- 21. Name of the State Disbursement Unit, individual, tribunal/court, or tribal child support enforcement agency specified in the underlying income withholding order to which payments are required to be sent. This form may not indicate a location other than that specified by an entity authorized under state or tribal law to issue an income withholding order. Please include the case identifier used to record payment (should be the same as 3c). In a IV-D case, this must be the IV-D case number.
- 22. Address of the State Disbursement Unit, tribunal/court, tribal child support enforcement agency, or individual identified in #21. This information is shared with the obligor. Be sure to safeguard confidential addresses.

Complete only for EFT/EDI transmission.

- 23a. Telephone number of contact to provide EFT/EDI instructions.

- 23b. Federal Information Process Standard (FIPS) code for transmitting payments through EFT/EDI. The FIPS code is five characters that identify the state, county or tribe. It is seven characters when it identifies the state, county, and a location within the county. It is necessary for centralized collections.
- 23c. Receiving agency's bank routing number.
- 23d. Receiving agency's bank account number.

IV-D agencies, courts, and attorneys (with authority to issue an income withholding order/notice) sending an Order/Notice to Withhold Income for Child Support must complete 24a-e.

- 24a. Print name of the government official authorizing this Order or Notice to Withhold.
- 24b. Print title of the government official authorizing this Order or Notice to Withhold.
- 24c. Signature of Government Official authorizing this Order/Notice to Withhold and date of signature. This line may be optional only if the Withholding Order/Notice includes the name and title of a government official (line 24a, 24b) and a signature of the official (line 24c) is not required by state or tribal law. Provide a signature if required by state or tribal law.
- 24d. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether a child support enforcement agency (IV-D) or court is authorizing this Order or Notice for withholding.
- 24e. Check the box if you are an attorney with authority to issue an order or notice under state law.

Attorneys, individuals, and private entities sending a Notice of an Order to Withhold Income for Child Support complete 25a-d.

- 25a. Print name of the individual or entity sending this Notice.
- 25b. Print title of the individual sending this Notice, if appropriate
- 25c. Signature of the individual sending this Notice and date of signature.
- 25d. Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you are an attorney, individual, or private entity sending this Notice of an Order.

The following information refers to federal, state, or tribal laws that apply to issuing an income withholding order/notice or notice of an order to the employer. Any state or tribal specific information may be included in space provided.

- 26. Check the box if the state or tribal law requires the employer to provide a copy of the Order or Notice to the employee.
- 27. Use this space to provide additional information on the penalty and/or citation for an employer who fails to comply with the Order or Notice. The law of the obligor's principal place of employment governs the penalty.
- 28. Use this space to provide additional information on the penalty and/or citation for an employer, who discharges, refuses to employ, or disciplines an employee/obligor as a result of the Order or Notice. The law of the obligor's principal place of employment governs the penalty.
- 29. Use this space to provide the child(ren)'s names listed in the support order and/or additional information regarding this income withholding Order or Notice of an Order.

Please provide the following contact information to the employer. Employers may need additional information to process the Order or Notice.

- 30a. Name of the contact person sending the Order or Notice of an Order that an employer and/or employee/obligor may call for information regarding the Order or Notice of an Order.
- 30b. Telephone number for the contact person whose name appears in #30a.
- 30c. Fax number for the person whose name appears in #30a.
- 30d. Internet address for the person whose name appears in #30a.

If the employer is a Federal Government agency, the following instructions apply.

- Serve the Order or Notice of an Order upon the governmental agent listed in 5 CFR part 581, appendix A.
- Sufficient identifying information must be provided in order for the obligor to be identified. It is, therefore, recommended that the following information, if known and if applicable, be provided:
 - (1) full name of the obligor; (2) date of birth; (3) employment number, Department of Veterans Affairs claim number, or civil service retirement claim number; (4) component of the government entity for which the obligor works, and the official duty station or worksite; and (5) status of the obligor, e.g., employee, former employee, or annuitant.
- You may withhold from a variety of incomes and forms of payment, including voluntary separation incentive payments (buy-out payments), incentive pay, and cash awards. For a

more complete list see 5 CFR 581.103.

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This information collection is conducted in accordance with 45 CFR 303.100 of the child support enforcement program. Standard forms are designed to provide uniformity and standardization for interstate case processing. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one hour per response. The responses to this collection are mandatory in accordance with 45 CFR 303.7. This information is subject to State and Federal confidentiality requirements; however, the information will be filed with the tribunal and/or agency in the responding State and may, depending on State law, be disclosed to other parties. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

1a **ORDER/NOTICE TO WITHHOLD INCOME FOR CHILD SUPPORT**
 NOTICE OF AN ORDER TO WITHHOLD INCOME FOR CHILD SUPPORT

Original **Amended** **Termination** #1b Date: _____ #1c
 State/Tribe/Territory _____ #1d
City/Co./Dist./Reservation _____ #1e
 Non-governmental entity or Individual _____ #1f
Case Number _____ #1g

#2a
Employer's/Withholder's Name
#2b
Employer's/Withholder's Address
#2c

#2d
Employer's/Withholder's Federal EIN Number (if known)

RE: _____ #3a
Employee's/Obligor's Name (Last, First, MI)
#3b
Employee's/Obligor's Social Security Number
#3c
Employee's/Obligor's Case Identifier
#3d

Obligee's Name (Last, First, MI)

ORDER INFORMATION: This document is based on the support or withholding order from _____ [State] #4

You are required by law to deduct these amounts from the employee's/obligor's income until further notice.

\$ # 5a Per # 5b current child support #13
\$ # 6a Per # 6b past-due child support - Arrears greater than 12 weeks? yes no
\$ # 7a Per # 7b current cash medical support
\$ # 8a Per # 8b past-due cash medical support
\$ # 9a Per # 9b spousal support
\$ # 10a Per # 10b past-due spousal support
\$ # 11a Per # 11b other (specify) #11c
for a total of \$ #12a per #12b to be forwarded to the payee below.

You do not have to vary your pay cycle to be in compliance with the support order. If your pay cycle does not match the ordered payment cycle, withhold one of the following amounts:

\$ # 14a per weekly pay period. \$ # 14c per semimonthly pay period (twice a month).
\$ # 14b per biweekly pay period (every two weeks). \$ # 14d per monthly pay period.

REMITTANCE INFORMATION: When remitting payment, provide the pay date/date of withholding and the case identifier. If the employee's/obligor's principal place of employment is #15, begin withholding no later than the first pay period occurring #16 days after the date of #17. Send payment within #18 working days of the pay date/date of withholding. The total withheld amount, including your fee, may not exceed #19 % of the employee's/obligor's aggregate disposable weekly earnings.

If the employee's/obligor's principal place of employment is not #20, for limitations on withholding, applicable time requirements, and any allowable employer fees, follow the laws and procedures of the employee's/obligor's principal place of employment (see #3 and #9, ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO EMPLOYERS AND OTHER WITHHOLDERS).

Make check payable to: #21 (Payee and Case identifier) Send check to: #22
If remitting payment by EFT/EDI, call #23a before first submission. Use this FIPS code: #23b :
Bank routing number: #23c Bank account number: #23d

If this is an Order/Notice to Withhold:
24a Print Name _____
24b Title of Issuing Official _____ **Mandatory**
24c Signature and Date _____ (if required by state or tribal law)
24d IV-D Agency Court
24e Attorney with authority under state law to issue order/notice.

If this is a Notice of an Order to Withhold:
25a Print Name _____
25b Title (if appropriate) _____
25c Signature and Date _____
25d Attorney Individual Private Entity

NOTE: Non-IV-D Attorneys, individuals, and non-governmental entities must submit a Notice of an Order to Withhold and include a copy of the income withholding order unless, under a state's law, an attorney in that state may issue an income withholding order. In that case, the attorney may submit an Order/Notice to Withhold and include a copy of the state law

IMPORTANT: The person completing this form is advised that the information on this form may be shared with the obligor.

authorizing the attorney to issue an income withholding order/notice.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO EMPLOYERS AND OTHER WITHHOLDERS

#26 If checked, you are required to provide a copy of this form to your employee/obligor. If your employee works in a state that is different from the state that issued this order, a copy must be provided to your employee/obligor even if the box is not checked.

1. **Priority:** Withholding under this Order or Notice has priority over any other legal process under state law (or tribal law, if applicable) against the same income. If there are federal tax levies in effect, please notify the contact person listed below. (See 10 below.)
2. **Combining Payments:** You may combine withheld amounts from more than one employee's/obligor's income in a single payment to each agency/party requesting withholding. You must, however, separately identify the portion of the single payment that is attributable to each employee/obligor.
3. **Reporting the Paydate/Date of Withholding:** You must report the paydate/date of withholding when sending the payment. The paydate/date of withholding is the date on which the amount was withheld from the employee's wages. You must comply with the law of the state of employee's/obligor's principal place of employment with respect to the time periods within which you must implement the withholding and forward the support payments.
4. **Employee/Obligor with Multiple Support Withholdings:** If there is more than one Order or Notice against this employee/obligor and you are unable to honor all support Orders or Notices due to federal, state, or tribal withholding limits, you must follow the state or tribal law/procedure of the employee's/obligor's principal place of employment. You must honor all Orders or Notices to the greatest extent possible. (See 9 below.)
5. **Termination Notification:** You must promptly notify the Child Support Enforcement (IV-D) Agency and/or the contact person listed below when the employee/obligor no longer works for you. Please provide the information requested and return a complete copy of this Order or Notice to the Child Support Enforcement (IV-D) Agency and/or the contact person listed below. (See 10 below.)

THE EMPLOYEE/OBLIGOR NO LONGER WORKS FOR: _____
EMPLOYEE'S/OBLIGOR'S NAME: _____ **CASE IDENTIFIER:** _____
DATE OF SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT: _____
LAST KNOWN HOME ADDRESS: _____
NEW EMPLOYER/ADDRESS: _____

6. **Lump Sum Payments:** You may be required to report and withhold from lump sum payments such as bonuses, commissions, or severance pay. If you have any questions about lump sum payments, contact the Child Support Enforcement (IV-D) Agency.
7. **Liability:** If you have any doubts about the validity of the Order or Notice, contact the agency or person listed below under 10. If you fail to withhold income as the Order or Notice directs, you are liable for both the accumulated amount you should have withheld from the employee's/obligor's income and any other penalties set by state or tribal law/procedure.

#27 _____

8. **Anti-discrimination:** You are subject to a fine determined under state or tribal law for discharging an employee/obligor from employment, refusing to employ, or taking disciplinary action against any employee/obligor because of a child support withholding.

#28 _____

9. **Withholding Limits:** For state orders, you may not withhold more than the lesser of: 1) the amounts allowed by the Federal Consumer Credit Protection Act (15 U.S.C. § 1673(b)); or 2) the amounts allowed by the state of the employee's/obligor's principal place of employment. The federal limit applies to the aggregate disposable weekly earnings (ADWE). ADWE is the net income left after making mandatory deductions such as: state, federal, local taxes, Social Security taxes, statutory pension contributions, and Medicare taxes. The Federal CCPA limit is 50% of the ADWE for child support and alimony, which is increased by 1) 10% if the employee does not support a second family; and/or 2) 5% if arrears greater than 12 weeks. For tribal orders, you may not withhold more than the amounts allowed under the law of the issuing tribe. For tribal employers who receive a state order, you may not withhold more than the amounts allowed under the law of the state that issued the order.

Child(ren)'s Names and Additional Information: **#29** _____

10. If you or your employee/obligor have any questions, contact **#30a** _____ by telephone at **#30b** _____ by Fax at **#30c** _____ or by internet at **#30d** _____.