

MISSISSIPPI ACCESS AND VISITATION PROGRAM MAV-P

Guidelines for MAV-P regular or monitored visitation as outlined in court orders.

The purpose of this MAV-P Program is to establish meaningful visitation between the noncustodial parent and his or her children as outlined by the court.

1. Parties will arrive punctually at the arranged times for the start and end of visits with a 15 minute time window.
2. In unavoidable emergencies such as illness, the relevant parent will notify the MA V-P coordinator as soon as possible. All other cancellations require a 24 hour notice with a legitimate excuse for cancellation.
3. Parties must obtain permission from the MA V-P coordinator before bringing an additional visitor, including family members.
4. Participants in the MA V-P visitation program may not follow or harass visitation participants, including the MA V-P coordinator, before, during, or after visitation.
5. No participant may make a threat of violence or threaten to break any court order during a visitation, including the transitions before and after a visit.
6. During visitation, the NCP may not physically discipline or threaten to physically discipline a child.
7. Neither parent, or any other visitor, may make negative comments to the child/ren about the absent parent, his or her partners, or family members.
8. Neither parent or any other visitor, may pass messages, paperwork, or other items to the children or other parent without permission from MAV-P attendant.
9. Written records of visitations will be maintained by the MA V-P staff and reports submitted to the courts when requested.
10. The MA V-P coordinator has the authority to shorten or terminate a visit based on many factors, including but not limited to the following.: extreme discomfort of the child fear for safety of the children or parents, reports of continued negative comments about the absent parent, evidence of drug or alcohol influence at or during the visit.

Failure to abide by these rules could result in suspension of the visitations and will be reported to the court.

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