

137-050-0765**Agreed Support Amount**

(1) It is in the best interest of children to have support orders reached by agreement of the parents. Entering orders with the parents' consent promotes positive parental involvement and prompt, consistent payment of the support obligation. Parents who enter into agreed support amounts avoid the uncertainty of hearings and possible appeals.

(2) The guideline support amount and rebuttal factors are intended to meet the needs of most families. Likewise, the rebuttal factors in OAR 137-050-0760 address most situations in which the guideline amount is inappropriate. However, there will be families for whom the support amount, even rebutted, is not correct and who value the certainty of agreed support amounts.

(3) In consideration of foregoing hearing and appeal rights, the parties may consent to a support amount that is within 10 percent of the amount determined under guideline rules 137-050-0700 through 137-050-0760, as rebutted pursuant to OAR 137-050-0760. The order must be entered with the written consent of the parties.

(4) An agreed support amount entered pursuant to this rule is presumed to be just and appropriate within the meaning of ORS 25.280.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 25.270 – 25.290, 180.345

Stats. Implemented: ORS 25.270 – 25.290

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