

137-050-0710

Calculating Support

- (1) Apply standard rules of rounding to perform a child support calculation under the guidelines. Round to the hundredth place (two decimal places). For example, if the number beyond the one to be used is less than five, round the number down (2.443 becomes 2.44). If the number beyond the one to be used is equal to or greater than five, round up (2.445 becomes 2.45).
- (2) Although reliable and comprehensive data is not available for costs of children between the ages of 18 and 21, the guidelines are used to calculate appropriate support amounts for a child attending school as defined in ORS 107.108. The presumption that the amounts are appropriate may be rebutted under OAR 137-050-0760.
- (3) Determine an appropriate amount of support by following the steps in sections (4) through (16).
- (4) Determine each parent's income as defined in OAR 137-050-0715.
- (5) Determine each parent's adjusted income, as provided in OAR 137-050-0720.
- (6) Determine each parent's income share by dividing the total combined income into each parent's individual adjusted income.
- (7) Determine the basic support obligation and the parents' shares, as provided in OAR 137-055-0725.
- (8) Determine parenting time credit, if any, as provided in OAR 137-050-0730.
- (9) Determine each parent's costs for child care, as provided in OAR 137-050-0735.
- (10) Determine the credit to be applied to the support obligation as a result of any Social Security or veterans' benefits as provided in OAR 137-050-0740.
- (11) Determine each parent's support obligation before medical support by adding the parent's basic support obligation, subtracting the parenting time credit, adjusting for child care expenses, and subtracting the amount of credit given for Social Security or veterans' benefits. If the total is less than zero, use zero.
- (12) Determine each parent's support obligation after application of the self-support reserve as provided in OAR 137-050-0745. Round the result to the nearest dollar.
- (13) Determine each parent's medical support obligation, as provided in OAR 137-050-0750. Round the result to the nearest dollar.
- (14) Determine whether the provisions of OAR 137-050-0755 (minimum order) apply,

and if appropriate, enter the amount of the minimum order.

(15) If the support amount is unjust or inappropriate, as authorized in ORS 25.280, apply any appropriate rebuttal as provided in OAR 137-050-0760. Round the result to the nearest dollar.

(16) Determine whether an agreed support amount is appropriate as provided in OAR 137-050-0765.

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