

WORKSHEET EXAMPLES

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Basic facts:

Mom and Dad have three kids

All three kids live with Mom

Dad earns \$3,000 per month

Mom chooses not to work, but is capable of earning \$1,500 per month; we will impute income to her

Variations:

Let's have Dad pay \$100 medical insurance premium each month

Let's have Mom pay \$600 for daycare each month

Let's have them both pay those amounts

Let's decrease Dad's income to \$2,000 per month

Let's give Dad another child for whom he pays support

Let's have one kid go live with Dad

Example 1

Example 1A:

- The Basic Support Obligation (BSO) is \$993
- Self-support reserve is \$1265 but does not impact Dad
- **Transfer payment is \$993**

Example 1B1: Same income, but Mom now pays daycare of \$600/month.

- The Basic Support Obligation (BSO) is \$993
- The Gross Child Support Obligation is \$1388
- 45% of Dad's monthly net is \$1265
- The 45% limitation applies only to the Basic Support Obligation
- **Transfer payment is \$1388**

Example 1B2: Same income, but no daycare and Dad pays medical insurance premium \$100/month.

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- The Basic Support Obligation (BSO) is \$993
- The Self-Support Reserve is \$1301
- The Gross Child Support Obligation is \$1059
- The Standard Calculation is \$959
- **Transfer payment is \$959**

Example 1B3: Same income, but Mom pays daycare of \$600/mo and Dad pays health insurance premium of \$100/month.

- The Basic Support Obligation (BSO) is \$993
- The Gross Child Support Obligation is \$1454
- No problems with either the 45% or need standard limitation.
- **Transfer payment is \$1354**

Example 1C: Dad's income went down to \$2,000, same daycare, same premium.

- Dad's Net Income is now \$1703
- The Basic Support Obligation (BSO) is \$689
- The Self-support reserve is \$1265;
- The Gross Child Support Obligation is \$835
- After Child Support Credits, Standard Calculation is \$735
- 45% of Dad's net income is \$766, so no 45% limitation
- **Because of the Self-Support Reserve limitation, transfer payment is now \$438**

Example 2

All three kids still live with Mom.

Dad has another child, Charlie, from a previous relationship.

(WHOLE FAMILY FORMULA)

Example 2A: same facts as Example 1A, only Dad pays \$299 per month for Charlie, his child from previous relationship.

- Standard calculation is \$993 (based on 3-child family)
- Whole Family Formula "deviation," transfer payment would be \$993 minus \$160, or \$833
- 45% limitation would give transfer payment of \$846
- **Choosing the lowest amount means the transfer payment is \$833**

Example 2B: same facts, but Dad pays \$500 for Charlie

- Standard calculation is \$993 (based on 3-child family)
- Whole Family Formula "deviation" means transfer payment is \$993 minus \$160, or \$833
- 45% limitation would give transfer payment of \$846
- Choosing the lowest amount means the transfer payment is \$833
- **Transfer payment is *still* \$833 no matter what amount of support is paid for Charlie**

Example 3

Two kids live with Mom, one lives with Dad. (ARVEY CALCULATION)

- Same incomes as Example 1A, but Bob now lives with Dad.
- Standard Calculation is \$662 for Dad
- Standard Calculation is \$172 for Mom
- There's a special *Arvey* Worksheet for when some kids are with Dad and some with Mom
- *Arvey* Adjustment means Dad pays Mom
- **Transfer payment is \$490**

Want to try out further permutations?

You can use the online child support calculator at
<https://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/dcs/SSGen/Home/QuickEstimator>

If you forget this address, you can find a link on the DCS internet home page, located at www.childsupportonline.wa.gov