

Note: This parenting plan was quickly changed from 3days on/off to 7 days on/off which is a MUCH better situation for the kids.

Also this plan has a number of unhelpful point scoring items in it from one of the parents that clearly is not in the children's best interests.

PARENTING PLAN

BETWEEN:

AND:

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THIS AGREEMENT is made on the 20th day of April, 2009.

With respect to the marital children Daughter3; Daughter2 and Daughter1

FAMILYNAME

Counselling
Solutions
Brisbane

The parents, Father FAMILYNAME and Mother FAMILYNAME are the parents of Daughter3; Daughter2 and Daughter1.

Both parents acknowledge and agree that:

- (a) The children are entitled to a relationship with both parents;
- (b) The best interests of the children will be met by both parents working together and carrying out their responsibilities for raising the said children;
- (c) Parenthood is a privilege and also involves responsibilities;
- (d) Both parents wish and intend to respect each other's rights and privacy, and wish to develop a method of communication to enable the parental relationship with the children and communication with each other in respect of important matters regarding and affecting the children;
- (e) That the children have certain basic rights which must be respected and protected, which include but are not limited to:
 - (i) the right to love each parent without being subjected to the other parents' hurt or anger;
 - (ii) the right to develop an independent and meaningful relationship with each parent and to enjoy the uniqueness of each parent and each home;
 - (iii) the right to be free from involvement in the parents personal battles or being used as a 'spy', messenger or bargaining chip;
 - (iv) the right to extended family relationships;
 - (v) the right to be free from intimidation, coercion with respect to questioning in relation to the other parents personal life;
 - (vi) the right to develop and maintain activities with friends, without fear of losing time with parents;
 - (vii) the right to be a child without having to assume adult and/or parental roles or duties for example but not limited to; responsibility of cleaning of parents house, food shopping etc.

By way of settlement of children's issues arising from the relationship it is agreed as follows that from the date this agreement until otherwise specified or agreed:

1. The parties shall have equal shared parental responsibility for the welfare and development of the children, Daughter3, Daughter2 and Daughter1 FAMILYNAME, including but not limited to:
 - a) Schooling of the child, including decisions about the type of school the child shall attend;
 - b) Surgery and hospitalisation and medical treatment for any serious injury, illness, condition or disability including attendance of the child for whatever reason, upon a child psychologist, counsellor, family therapist or psychiatrist;
2. The parties shall each have responsibility for the day to day care, wellbeing and development of the child during such times as the children are in the care of that party.
3. The children, Daughter2 and Daughter1 will live with each parent equally on a 50/50 basis from 20 April, 2009, on a rotating five (5) night basis for the first four (4) weeks (schedule attached) with change over at 3pm on the sixth (6th) day.
4. There will be a transition to an eventual increase in the number of nights as is stated in this plan, after the first four (4) weeks of this plan Daughter2 and Daughter1 will live with each parent on a seven (7) night rotating basis for the subsequent eight (8) week period.
5. After the completion of the eight (8) weeks or slightly before this date (whichever, is practicable) there will be a review of the parenting arrangement by ways of interviews with all parties.

6. The eldest child, Daughter3 will spend two (2) nights per week living with her father, namely Wednesday and Thursday nights and live with her mother.
7. Further, Daughter3 will exercise the option at her choice, depending upon her school workload staying an additional night, namely Friday nights with her father.
8. Daughter3 is also able to choose times above and beyond that stated above with her father but it is at her discretion and to be arranged between Daughter3 and her father.
9. It is the responsibility of the receiving parent (i.e. the parent of whom is to have care of the children at a particular time) to collect the children from the other parent.
10. The children, namely Daughter2 and Daughter1 must have their bags packed and ready with all clothes, school gear i.e. washed uniforms and clothes, instruments and other equipment in which they would require for the subsequent time with the other parent.
11. It is the responsibility of each parent to ensure that the children have applied sunscreen for school and other outdoor activities.
12. The children will spend half of all designated school holidays with each parent.
13. For the Christmas school holidays it is agreed that the children are able to live with each parent in blocks of time. Specific dates, timings have not yet been negotiated and agreed. This is to be done no less than 28 days prior to the last day of the children's school in Term 4.
14. The mother shall have the children for the period of 3pm Christmas Eve until 3pm Christmas Day with the father having the children from 3pm Christmas day to 3pm Boxing Day each year.

15. Should either parent wish to travel with the children they are required to notify the other parent of intention no less than 28 days prior to the intended travel if within Queensland and no less than eight (8) weeks notice if interstate or overseas.
16. An itinerary is to be provided to the other non-travelling parent in the timeframes stated at point 14.
17. The children will spend the four day Easter weekend with the mother in 2010 and then alternate each other year i.e. 2011 would be spent with the father. This may be subject to change at the review, depending on the final parenting arrangement.
18. The parents shall spend time with the children on special occasions at all times as may be agreed between the parents, but failing such agreement as follows:
19. On the children's birthdays, the parent who does not have the birthday child in their care will be entitled to spend time with the other parent from after school of the birthday or from 3pm if not a school day and return them to the other parent with whom they are living at the time at 5.00pm.
20. On Father's and Mother's Day, the children will spend time with the respective parent from 9.00am of the day to 3.00pm the same day, unless they are not otherwise in their care, at which normal parenting arrangements would continue. The receiving parent does pick up and drop off as per clause 9.
21. On each of the parent's birthdays, the children will spend time from 3.00pm to 5.00pm on the respective parent's birthday, unless they are not otherwise in his care.
22. Both parents will have liberty to telephone or text the children at an appropriate time i.e. after school and not continue to send multiple messages of negative and potentially harmful content should they not respond.

23. The children are free to contact either parent at any time regardless of who they are living with at the time as deemed appropriate i.e. one to two times daily, so it is not disruptive or intrusive.
24. The parents agree to contribute an equal 50% each of all expenses relating to the children as stated; sporting activities (dance), school uniforms and shoes, school books, school camps, private school fees.
25. Each parent is to independently approach the children's respective school and ask for a copy of the school fees account to be sent to them.
26. The parents are to keep their receipts of such expenses should reimbursement be required by the other parent.
27. Any expenses that are required to be shared between the parents above a total of \$50, i.e. requires the other parents contribution, above and beyond that stated above, MUST get a quotation of such costs and seek the other parents approval prior to the purchase or commencement of any treatment for the children before a 50% contribution will be made.
28. Each parent is individually responsible the day-to-day costs incurred by the girls whilst in their care, including individual birthday or Christmas presents unless they both agree to jointly purchase gifts.
29. Haircuts for the children occurs on average every eight (8) weeks and the parents agree to alternate payment of such, starting with the mother paying for the next lot of haircuts.
30. The parents agree to equally contribute 50% to the school formal (Year 12) expenses of the eldest daughter, Daughter3 to a maximum amount of \$500 (or \$250 each parent).

31. Both parents agree to continue to contribute equally (50% each) to maintain a family level of Private Health Insurance for all members of the family i.e. children and parents.
32. This plan does not cover parental intentions or contributions with respect to the older daughters expenses in relation to University should she choose to attend and be offered a place from 2010. This will need to be discussed at the formal review.
33. If the children have a concert or other commitment associated with their extra curricular activities, then each parent will endeavour to ensure that the child/ren attends during each parents own contact time and are allowed to attend themselves (each parent). If the child/ren's activity is organised on one parents contact but the activity occurs on the other parents contact time, then the organising parent is to notify and liaise with the other parent, in advance, to ensure no other arrangements have been made for the child/ren at the same time.
34. The children are to be transported in a motor vehicle and not by motorbike for reasons of ensuring their safety.
35. Each parent shall keep the other advised of their current residential address and phone number, work telephone number, e-mail address, and mobile telephone number and advise the other of any change to those details prior to any change being affected.
36. Neither parent to relocate or move outside of the Brisbane Metropolitan area without the written consent of the other parent or further Order by the Court.
37. In the event either parent is unable to personally care for the children due to illness, accident, work commitments or any other reason, then the other parent shall be given first right of refusal to care for the children above that of the respective grandparents- this would be a secondary option if the other parent is not available for at least a day.

38. So not to undermine the parent in care, the other parent is not to make arrangements directly with the child/ren to meet with the non contact parent without the direct prior consent of the contact parent. The respective grandparents are not able to give this consent on either of the parent's behalf.

39. Each parent is to respect the privacy of the other and their place of residence. In the event that one parent needed to 'drop in' with the children between contact times then they are to phone in advance advising such to ensure the other parent is home and the visit is appropriate.

40. The parents agree not to expose the children to conflict between them, nor to allow them to hear any discriminatory or derogatory remarks about the other parent.

41. This plan will be formally reviewed three (3) months from the date of this agreement with all parties and the mediator. Any changes and alternations will occur at this time.

42. Both parties agree to a further review at six (6) months from the date of agreement to ensure the continued best interests of the children. Any changes and alternations will occur at this time.

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44. Should the parents be unable to agree on any parenting issue after this time, then they shall arrange a mediation session through an mutually agreed upon mediator, aimed at resolving the issue/s between them

THE PARTIES AND THE FDRP/MEDIATOR have executed this as an agreement on this 20th day of April, 2009, a total of 10 pages.

SIGNED by Mother FAMILYNAME

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In the presence of

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SIGNED by Father FAMILYNAME

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APPENDIX ONE

PARENTING SCHEDULE FROM 20 April, 2009 to 19 July, 2009 (review required)

Day	Date	Parent children with	Comments
Monday	20/04/2009	Mother	commencement of 5 nights
Tuesday	21/04/2009	Mother	
Wednesday	22/04/2009	Mother	
Thursday	23/04/2009	Mother	
Friday	24/04/2009	Mother	
Saturday	25/04/2009	Father	change over 3pm
Sunday	26/04/2009	Father	
Monday	27/04/2009	Father	
Tuesday	28/04/2009	Father	
Wednesday	29/04/2009	Father	
Thursday	30/04/2009	Mother	change over 3pm
Friday	1/05/2009	Mother	
Saturday	2/05/2009	Mother	
Sunday	3/05/2009	Mother	
Monday	4/05/2009	Mother	
Tuesday	5/05/2009	Father	change over 3pm
Wednesday	6/05/2009	Father	
Thursday	7/05/2009	Father	
Friday	8/05/2009	Father	
Saturday	9/05/2009	Father	
Sunday	10/05/2009	Mother	change over 3pm
Monday	11/05/2009	Mother	
Tuesday	12/05/2009	Mother	
Wednesday	13/05/2009	Mother	
Thursday	14/05/2009	Mother	
Friday	15/05/2009	Father	change over 3pm
Saturday	16/05/2009	Father	
Sunday	17/05/2009	Father	
Monday	18/05/2009	Father	
Tuesday	19/05/2009	Father	
Wednesday	20/05/2009	Mother	change over 3pm
Thursday	21/05/2009	Mother	
Friday	22/05/2009	Mother	
Saturday	23/05/2009	Mother	
Sunday	24/05/2009	Mother	
Monday	25/05/2009	Father	Commencement of 7 nights; change over 3pm
Tuesday	26/05/2009	Father	
Wednesday	27/05/2009	Father	

Thursday	28/05/2009	Father	
Friday	29/05/2009	Father	
Saturday	30/05/2009	Father	
Sunday	31/05/2009	Father	
Monday	1/06/2009	Mother	change over 3pm
Tuesday	2/06/2009	Mother	
Wednesday	3/06/2009	Mother	
Thursday	4/06/2009	Mother	
Friday	5/06/2009	Mother	
Saturday	6/06/2009	Mother	
Sunday	7/06/2009	Mother	
Monday	8/06/2009	Father	change over 3pm
Tuesday	9/06/2009	Father	
Wednesday	10/06/2009	Father	
Thursday	11/06/2009	Father	
Friday	12/06/2009	Father	DAUGHTER1'S BIRTHDAY 3-5pm with Mother
Saturday	13/06/2009	Father	
Sunday	14/06/2009	Father	
Monday	15/06/2009	Mother	change over 3pm
Tuesday	16/06/2009	Mother	
Wednesday	17/06/2009	Mother	
Thursday	18/06/2009	Mother	
Friday	19/06/2009	Mother	
Saturday	20/06/2009	Mother	
Sunday	21/06/2009	Mother	
Monday	22/06/2009	Father	change over 3pm
Tuesday	23/06/2009	Father	
Wednesday	24/06/2009	Father	
Thursday	25/06/2009	Father	
Friday	26/06/2009	Father	
Saturday	27/06/2009	Father	
Sunday	28/06/2009	Father	
Monday	29/06/2009	Mother	change over 3pm
Tuesday	30/06/2009	Mother	
Wednesday	1/07/2009	Mother	
Thursday	2/07/2009	Mother	
Friday	3/07/2009	Mother	
Saturday	4/07/2009	Mother	
Sunday	5/07/2009	Mother	
Monday	6/07/2009	Father	change over 3pm
Tuesday	7/07/2009	Father	
Wednesday	8/07/2009	Father	need to organise formal review date for next week
Thursday	9/07/2009	Father	

Friday	10/07/2009	Father	
Saturday	11/07/2009	Father	
Sunday	12/07/2009	Father	
Monday	13/07/2009	Mother	change over 3pm
Tuesday	14/07/2009	Mother	
Wednesday	15/07/2009	Mother	
Thursday	16/07/2009	Mother	
Friday	17/07/2009	Mother	
Saturday	18/07/2009	Mother	
Sunday	19/07/2009	Mother	Parenting arrangements from this date to be confirmed at formal review.