

Child Custody Handoff Checklist (Infant and Toddler)

Sharing custody of a young child can be stressful for everyone involved. However, it is the responsibility of the parents to make sure that they put their differences and hurt feelings aside and cooperate as much as possible for the sake of their child.

Handoffs—delivering the child from one parent to another—can be particularly difficult until a routine is established. This worksheet is designed to help parents establish a routine with a minimal amount of discussion until such time both parents feel they can put aside their differences and easily discuss the needs of their child without blaming or recrimination. Make copies of this checklist for each parent to use when “handing-off” the child to the other parent. Fill it out in advance and put it with your child’s belongings.

PLEASE NOTE ANY CHANGES

Date: _____

Agreed upon time for returning our child _____

Agreed upon place for returning our child _____

Caretakers _____

Comments

Illnesses? Yes No _____

Medication? Yes No _____

Changes in sleeping pattern? Yes No _____

Changes in eating? Yes No _____

Changes in elimination/toileting? Yes No _____

List any toys, clothing, etc. to bring back:

Significant behavior changes you should know about:

Other important changes you should know about:

Initials of Parent _____