

FORM SUMMARY

Name of Form:	Stipulation and Order to Change: Custody/Placement/Support/Maintenance
Form Number:	FA-604
Statutory Reference:	§§767.451, 767.461, 767.553, 767.59 and 767.89, Wisconsin Statutes
Benchbook Reference:	FA 14
Purpose of Form:	This form allows parties to stipulate to certain modifications of an original family court judgment for child placement, custody and support issues. This eliminates need for a court hearing.
Who Completes It:	Parties who seek the change complete the form and present it to the Child Support Agency and the court.
Distribution of Form:	Original to court, copies to each of the parties. The child support agency should also receive a copy of the order prior to filing for approval, if required.
Accompanying Forms:	Generally none.
New Form/Modification:	Modification; last update 01/09.
Modifications:	New rule which took effect Jan. 1, 2010 to DCF 150, the Percentage of Income Standard which creates requirements for establishing medical support orders. Under the new rules, a parent who has insurance coverage available that means certain defined criteria must carry that coverage and the other parent may be ordered to contribute to the cost of that coverage. That contribution would be in the form of an upward or downward deviation in the child support amount dependent on which parent is the court ordered payee.
Comments:	<p>This form is for use in divorce and paternity cases. The form allows the modification of child support, family support and maintenance orders as well as issues related to placement and other non-property matters.</p> <p>The only way for the parties to avoid a wage assignment is for the court to make a finding of irreparable harm to the payer or because the parties have an account transfer under §767.267.</p> <p>If the parties are now or have in the past been the recipients of some form of public assistance (i.e. W2, food stamps, medical assistance, child care subsidy, etc.), the local child support agency must be notified before the court signs any order affecting a child support obligation to ensure that the interests of the public are protected. Child support must "sign off" on the agreement under those circumstances in the signature block provided for that agency prior to the court signing the order. The procedures for accomplishing this would be county specific.</p>
About this Form:	This form is the product of the Wisconsin Records Management Committee, a committee of the Director of State Court's Office.

As a *pro se* form, its use is NOT mandatory but it is required to be accepted and distributed by the circuit courts of the State of Wisconsin.