



## Hopkins County Court at Law

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### Visitation Guidelines for Children Under 3

As always, the Court will consider all facts in every case before making a ruling. However, in the interest of consistency and fairness, the Court here publishes its general policy for visitation in cases involving children under the age of three.

#### **If parents reside less than 100 miles apart:**

Age	Where	When	Additional Provisions
<b>0-6 months</b>	Custodial Parent's home	6 p.m. – 7 p.m., <b>Each Tuesday</b>  6 p.m. – 7 p.m., <b>Each Thursday</b>  10 a.m. – 12 p.m., <b>Each Saturday</b>	Court may designate another <u>supervised</u> location for visits
<b>6-18 months</b>	May Occur Outside Custodial Parent's home	6 p.m. – 8 p.m., <b>One evening per week</b> (designated by visiting parent)  10 a.m. – 2 p.m., <b>1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays</b>	Custodial parent shall provide car seat and any breast milk or formula needed for the visit.
<b>18 months – 3 years</b>	May Occur Outside Custodial Parent's home	9 a.m. – 6 p.m., <b>Saturday and Sunday of 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> weekends</b> 1 p.m. – 6 p.m., <b>January 1<sup>st</sup>, Easter Sunday, Mother's Day/Father's Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, December 26<sup>th</sup> and Child's birthday</b>	If there is a child over 3 living in the custodial parent's home who is on a standard visitation schedule with the same visiting parent, the child under 3 shall begin overnight visitation on standard schedule after age 2.

#### **If parents reside more than 100 miles apart, visiting parent may choose following option:**

Age	Where	When	Additional Provisions
<b>0-6 months</b>	Custodial Parent's home	9 a.m. – 6 p.m. <b>on Saturday AND Sunday, 1 weekend per month</b> (Visiting parent may designate the weekend but must give custodial parent no less than <b>72 hours</b> notice)	Visitation should not interfere with or interrupt the child's sleep or feeding schedule. Court may designate another <u>supervised</u> location
<b>6-18 months</b>	Custodial Parent's home <b>WITH</b> option of two, <b>2-hour visits</b> each day <b>outside the home</b>	9 a.m. – 6 p.m. <b>on Saturday AND Sunday, 1 weekend per month</b> (Visiting parent may designate the weekend but must give custodial parent no less than <b>72 hours</b> notice)	
<b>18 months – 3 years</b>	May Occur Outside Custodial Parent's home	9 a.m. – 6 p.m., <b>Saturday and Sunday of 2 weekends per month</b> 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., <b>Mother's Day/Father's Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Thanksgiving Day</b> 1 p.m. – 6 p.m., <b>Christmas Day and December 26<sup>th</sup> and Child's birthday</b>	Visiting parent may designate the two weekends per month but must give custodial parent no less than <b>7 days</b> notice