

**WAC 388-14A-3810 Once an administrative child support order is entered, how long does the support obligation last?** (1) A noncustodial parent's obligation to pay support under an administrative order continues until:

(a) A superior or tribal court order supersedes the order, either as provided by RCW 74.20A.055(7) or by the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (UIFSA);

(b) The order is modified under WAC 388-14A-3925;

(c) The child reaches eighteen years of age;

(d) The child is emancipated;

(e) The child marries;

(f) The child becomes a member of the United States armed forces;

(g) The child or the responsible parent die;

(h) A responsible stepparent's marriage is dissolved;

(i) The parties to the order marry or remarry, as provided in WAC 388-14A-3100(3); or

(j) A superior court order terminates the responsible parent's liability as provided under RCW 26.16.205.

(2) As an exception to the above rule, a noncustodial parent's obligation to pay support under an administrative order continues for a dependent child over the age of eighteen if the child is under age nineteen, and participating full-time in a secondary school program or the same level of vocational or technical training, as defined in WAC 388-404-0005 (1)(b). However, if the child has already met the requirements to finish the educational program, the child is no longer considered to be dependent.

(3) A noncustodial parent's obligation to pay support under an administrative order may be temporarily suspended when the:

(a) Noncustodial parent (NCP) resides with the child for whom support is sought for purposes other than visitation;

(b) NCP reconciles with the child and the custodial parent; or

(c) Child returns to the residence of the NCP from a foster care placement, for purposes other than visitation.

(4) When the NCP's obligation to pay current support on a case is suspended under subsection (3) of this section, the division of child support (DCS) informs the NCP that the obligation is suspended, in writing, sent by regular mail to the NCP's last known address.

(5) If circumstances causing an NCP's support obligation to be temporarily suspended change, the support obligation resumes. DCS sends the NCP a notice that the obligation to make current support payments has resumed.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 26.23.120, 34.05.350 (1)(b), 43.20A.550, 74.04.055, 74.08.090, 74.20.040(9), 74.20A.310 and 45 C.F.R. Parts 301.1, 302.36, 303.7, 303.11, 305.63, and 308.2. WSR 13-01-075, § 388-14A-3810, filed 12/18/12, effective 1/18/13. Statutory Authority: RCW 34.05.220(1), 74.08.090, 74.20A.055, 74.20A.056, 74.20A.310. WSR 05-14-101, § 388-14A-3810, filed 6/30/05, effective 7/31/05. Statutory Authority: RCW 34.05.220(1), 74.08.090, 74.20A.056, 74.20A.310, 26.26.315, 26.26.320, 26.26.330, 26.26.335, 74.20A.055, 2002 c 302, and 2002 c 199. WSR 03-17-013, § 388-14A-3810, filed 8/12/03, effective 9/12/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090. WSR 01-03-089, § 388-14A-3810, filed 1/17/01, effective 2/17/01. Formerly WAC 388-11-155.]