

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: 01/16/2025

TIME: 10:00 AM

LOCATION: Teleconference and room 3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower, Columbus, Ohio 43215

This meeting will be held by teleconference and in person. If you would like to submit oral testimony, please attend the meeting site location or call in at the date and time to 1-614-721-2972. Then enter the meeting I.D. # which is 713 204 474#. Written testimony may also be submitted electronically to rules@jfs.ohio.gov.

Pursuant to sections 3111.34, 3111.67, 3125.25 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, the director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services gives notice of the department's intent to consider the amendment of the rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

The following OAC rules are being proposed for amendment to clarify the instructions when completing the paternity affidavit (JFS 07038) and to update the effective date.

- Rule 5101:12-01-99, "Chapter 5101:12-1 forms - Ohio support enforcement program," contains a compilation of forms with their effective or revised effective date, referenced within various rules contained within division 5101:12 of the Administrative Code, but first cited within Chapter 5101:12-1 of the Administrative Code. This is being revised to update the revision date of the JFS 07038.
- Rule 5101:12-40-01, "Distribution of Paternity Acknowledgment Affidavit and Brochure," describes that the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) shall make the Paternity Acknowledgment Affidavit and the paternity brochure available to entities and any individual that requests such document. Changes to this rule include: added a requirement to also make available the notice and instructions for completing the acknowledgment of paternity affidavit to persons that request such document and removed the restrictive language throughout the rule.
- Rule 5101:12-40-30, "Central Paternity Registry," describes the requirements that the Central Paternity Registry (CPR) must follow in maintaining a birth registry. Changes to this rule include: removed of the requirement for a JFS 07038 received by the central paternity registry (CPR) to be completed on legal sized paper and removed the restrictive language throughout the rule.
- Rule 5101:12-40-99, "Chapter 5101:12-40 forms - paternity establishment," contains a compilation of forms with their effective or revised effective date, referenced within various rules contained within 5101:12 of the Administrative Code, but first cited within Chapter 5101:12-40 of the Administrative Code. Changes to this rule include: added the JFS 07038-I, "Notice and Instructions for Completing the Acknowledgment of Paternity Affidavit" and added the form's effective date.

Copies of the proposed rules are available, without charge, to any person affected by the rules at the address listed below. The rules are also available on the internet at <http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/>.

A public hearing on the proposed rules will be held at the date, time, and location listed at the top of this notice. Either written or oral testimony will be taken at the public hearing. Additionally, written comments submitted or postmarked no later than the date of the public hearing will be treated as testimony.

Requests for copies of the proposed rules or comments on the rules should be submitted by mail to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Office of Legal and Acquisition Services, 30 East Broad Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at rules@jfs.ohio.gov.