

How to Cancel a Filed Voluntary Declaration of Parentage

Who can cancel a VDOP?

- Either parent who signed the VDOP can cancel or “rescind” it within 60 days of the date the last parent signed, unless a court order for custody, visitation, or child support has been made in a case where the person seeking the cancellation is a party. This is officially called a “rescission” and CANCELS the legal parent/child relationship created by the VDOP. Only one parent’s signature is required to rescind a VDOP.
- If either parent was under 18 when they signed the VDOP, different rules apply. Please visit us online at www.childsupport.ca.gov under Services We Offer – Establishing Legal Parentage for more information.

How to cancel a VDOP

- The date must be within 60 days of signing the VDOP, unless you are under 18 (see above)
- Complete a “Recission Form” (DCSS 0915) available online or by email, contact info below
- Your signature must be witnessed by a Notary Public and you must submit the original form DCSS 0915, no photocopies accepted.
- The parent requesting cancellation must mail a copy to the other signer of the VDOP, even if you live together and share an address. Proof of mailing is required.
- Send original completed form and proof of mailing to Parentage Opportunity Program, P.O. Box 419070, Rancho Cordova, CA 95741. The envelope must be postmarked within 60 calendar days of the date the VDOP was signed.

It’s easy to establish legal parentage without going to court—and it’s free!

For more information on POP

www.childsupport.ca.gov

Under “Services We Offer”

Contact POP

askpop@dcss.ca.gov

Phone 916.464.1982

Fax 916.464.5898

Hours of Service

Monday-Friday 8am-5pm

Saturday-Sunday Closed

Contact your local child support agency

866.901.3212 toll-free (within the U.S.)

TTY 866.399.4096