Section 15 – Time Requirements under NRS 432B and ASFA

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NRS 432B

TIME	TIME REQUIREMENTS	SOURCE
72-hour hearing	From the time a child is taken into protective custody, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, a hearing must be conducted to determine if the child should	NRS 432B.470
10 days	remain in protective custody. To file a Petition alleging abuse and/or neglect if wish to keep custody of children.	NRS 432B.490
30 days	From filing of a Petition, an adjudicatory hearing must be held unless good cause is shown or hearing continued pursuant to NRS 432B.513 (at the request of parent or guardian).	NRS 432B.530
15 days	Dispositional hearing may be held immediately or within 15 working days after adjudicatory hearing.	NRS 432B.530
60 days	Within 60 days after removal of child, the Court shall determine if reasonable efforts to preserve and reunify family have been made by agency as required by NRS 432B.393. Also, federal law requires a case plan within 60 days of child being taken into care.	NRS 432B.550
6 months	First review hearing no more than 6 months from the date the child is in foster care, and at least every 6 months thereafter until reunification. Within 90 days upon request of a party.	NRS 432B.580
12 months	Annual hearing on disposition not later than 12 months after date the child is in foster care, and annually thereafter.	NRS 432B.590
14 of 20 months out of home	Mandatory termination filing if child is out of parent's care 14 of the last 20 months	NRS 432B.553

ASFA

TIME	TIME REQUIREMENTS	SOURCE
60 days*	Case plan from actual removal.	45 C.F.R. 1356.21(g)
(actual removal)		
60 days	Reasonable efforts to prevent removal.	45 C.F.R. 1356.21(b)
(actual removal)		
6 months*	Periodic review.	42 U.S.C. § 671(a)(16)
(foster care	Semi-annual review of placement.	42 U.S.C. § 675(5)(B)
entry)		
12 months	Permanency hearing.	45 C.F.R. 1356.21(b)(2)(i)
	(ANNUAL HEARING ON	
	DISPOSITION)	
12 months	Reasonable efforts to finalize	42 U.S.C. § 675(5)(C)
(foster care	permanency plan.	
entry)		
15 months	Mandatory termination filing if child in	65 F.R. 4060
(foster care	foster care 15 of the last 22 months.	
entry)		

^{*} ASFA uses two different starting points for time requirements: **(1)** actual removal from home; **(2)** the time a child "enters foster care". This is defined as the earlier of **(a)** the day the court finds the child is neglected or abused, or **(b)** 60 days after the child's actual removal.