

FORM 36
AUTHORITY FOR REMOVAL OF CHILD TO TEMPORARY SAFE CARE
(Regulation 53)
[SECTIONS 150-152 OF THE CHILDREN'S ACT 38 OF 2005]

TEMPORARY SAFE CARE

Temporary safe care where child is to be placed

AUTHORITY

Authority is hereby given for the placement of the following child/children until this authority is confirmed by the presiding officer of a children's court.

DETAILS OF CHILD(REN)

NAME(S) AND SURNAME	GENDER	DATE OF BIRTH/ ESTIMATED AGE

REASONS FOR REMOVAL OF CHILD

(Mark with an "x") **(Attach a substantiated statement containing the specific details/circumstances of the removal, reflecting dates and facts relevant to the chain of events)**

MARK	SECTION OF ACT	REASONS FOR REMOVAL
	151(2)	I have removed the above-mentioned child/children in terms of a children's court order (Document attached as per Annexure)
	47(3)	I have removed the above-mentioned child/children in terms of an order of another court (Document attached as per Annexure)
	170(4)	I have apprehended the above-mentioned child/children who has/have absconded or failed to return to alternative care (Document attached as per Annexure)
		I have reason to believe that the child/children is/are in need of care and protection due to the following:
	150(1)(a)	has been abandoned or orphaned and is without any visible means of support
	150(1)(b)	displays behaviour which cannot be controlled by the parent or care-giver
	150(1)(c)	lives or works on the streets or begs for a living
	150(1)(d)	is addicted to a dependence-producing substance and is without any support to obtain treatment for such dependency
	150(1)(e)	has been exploited or lives in circumstances that expose the child to exploitation
	150(1)(f)	lives in or is exposed to circumstances which may seriously harm that child's physical, mental or social well-being

MARK	SECTION OF ACT	REASONS FOR REMOVAL
	150(1)(g)	may be at risk if returned to the custody of the parent, guardian or care-giver of the child as there is reason to believe that he or she will live in or be exposed to circumstances which may seriously harm the physical, mental or social well-being of the child
	150(1)(h)	is in a state of physical or mental neglect
	150(1)(i)	is being maltreated, abused, deliberately neglected or degraded by a parent, a care-giver, a person who has parental responsibilities and rights or a family member of the child or by a person under whose control the child is.
		I have found the child/children in the following circumstances and I have reason to believe that the child/children may be in need of care and protection:
	150(2)(a)	a child who is a victim of child labour
	150(2)(a)	a child in a child-headed household

RESPONSIBLE PERSON

Details of parent(s), guardian or care-giver from whose custody child/children was/were removed

Name(s) and surname		
Residential address		
Work address		
Telephone numbers	Residence	
	Office	
	Cellular	
Facsimile number		
Email address		
Relationship to the child		

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: CHILD(REN)

(Special needs, medical conditions, behaviour, etc)

OFFICIAL CONDUCTING REMOVAL OF CHILD(REN)
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Details of person conducting removal of child(ren)

Name(s) and surname	
Rank/position	
Identity number	
Social worker/police official/authorized person	

Work address			
Registration number			
Telephone numbers	Office		
	Cellular		
Facsimile number			
Email address			

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT

PARENT(S), GUARDIAN OR CARE-GIVER			
Signature			
Name & surname			
Place			
Date		Time	

TEMPORARY SAFE CARE			
Signature			
Name & surname			
Place			
Date		Time	

COPIES OF AUTHORITY

A **true copy** of this authority must be provided to the following and must be confirmed by the issue of a **Form 37 court order** within the applicable time limits:

Care-giver from whose custody child/children was/were removed and who can readily be traced	Within 24 hours
Temporary safe care facility	With admittance
Social worker (case worker)	Within 24 hours
Provincial Department of Social Development	Within 24 hours
Children's Court (clerk of the children's court)	Not later than the next court day
Office record (case file, case docket)	Filed as soon as possible

REFERRAL

Case referred to Organisation/Social worker

Name & surname	
Organisation	
Telephone number	
Facsimile number	
Reference number	

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Note 1

A. Directions for social workers:

A true copy of this authority is to be delivered or handed, after removal of the child/children, to the

- § parent/guardian/care-giver who can readily be traced within 24 hours;
- § relevant clerk of the children's court by not later than the next court day; and
- § closest office of the relevant provincial department of social development within 24 hours.

B. Directions for police officials:

A true copy of this authority is to be delivered or handed, after removal of the child/children, to

- § the parent/guardian/care-giver who can readily be traced within 24 hours;
- § the relevant clerk of the children's court by not later than the next court day;
- § the closest office of the relevant provincial department of social development within 24 hours;
- § a designated social worker within 24 hours.

C. General

- § The parent/guardian/care-giver must be informed of the date, time and place of the review of the detention of the child/children and the right to furnish the court with information which must be the first court day after the removal of the child. The person issuing this authority must bring the child/children or cause the child/children to be brought before the children's court of the district of removal.
- § The place where the child is placed in temporary safe care must report to the children's court concerned if the placement is not confirmed by court order within seven days.

Note 2

Section 152(1) of the Act makes it clear that, before a child may be removed to temporary safe care without a court order, ALL of the following factors HAVE to be present –

- The child must be in need of care and protection;
- The child must require immediate emergency protection;
- The delay in obtaining a court order may jeopardize the child's safety and well-being; and
- Removal is the best way to secure the child's safety and well-being.