Things to Remember

- Failure to make child support payments on time can result in denial or suspension of driver's and professional licenses.
- The licensing agency will mail notice of license suspension or denial to your last known address.
- Continuing to operate your business or automobile without a valid license may result in severe penalties.
- The DCSS will work with you to resolve the delinquency.
- You can pay your child support by credit card either online or in the office.
- Your license will be revoked if you do not honor your agreement upon release of your license.
- If you do not reach an agreement with the DCSS, you may request a license suspension review from the court.
- If you have questions about a license suspended by the County of San Diego DCSS, call 866-901-3212.
- The DCSS cannot answer questions about your license record. Contact the appropriate licensing agency.

This pamphlet gives information about the general procedures of the County of San Diego Department of Child Support Services, and should be used for informational purposes only.

You have the option to consult an attorney. The Department of Child Support Services does not offer legal representation or give legal advice.

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LICENSE SUSPENSION

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Why is my license suspended?

Failure to pay child support can have serious consequences. By law, the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) must report delinquent child support cases to various state licensing agencies such as the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Department of Consumer Affairs.

These licensing agencies can suspend driver's and professional licenses such as contractor's licenses, teaching credentials, and State Bar memberships, when child support is not paid.

How will I know if my license is suspended?

The licensing agency is required to send a written notice to your last known address to warn of its intent to suspend your current license or deny your request for renewal.

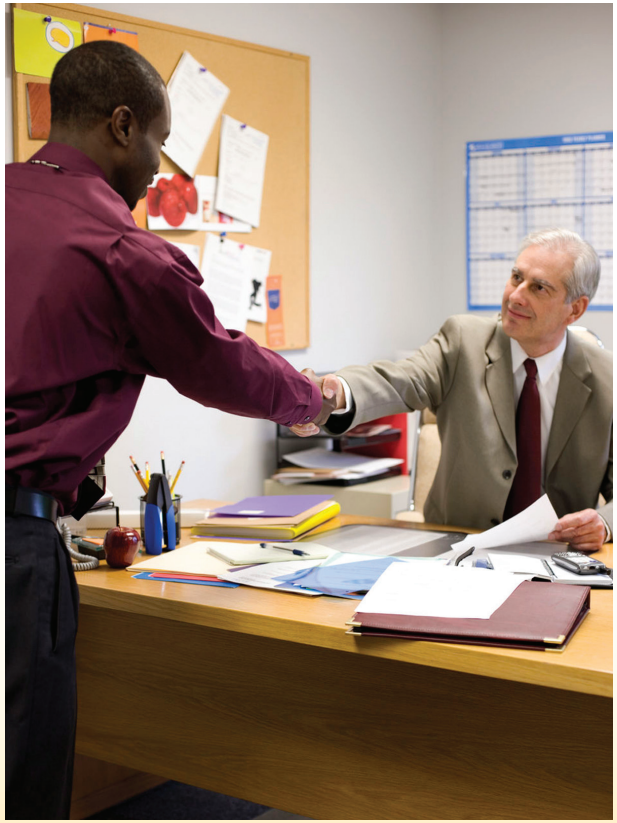
The notice will indicate:

- the effective date of the suspension.
- which local child support agency has requested suspension of your license.

If you are unsure whether your license is suspended or flagged for future suspension, you may call the appropriate licensing agency.

What do I do if my license is suspended?

If your license has been suspended or flagged for suspension based on a request from the County of San Diego DCSS, you should call 866-901-3212.



How do I get my license released?

You can request a license suspension review from DCSS. A case worker will evaluate your situation and case history. Although the law allows the department to demand full payment of your child support balance, DCSS will work with you to resolve the delinquency. You should come to the review prepared to make a payment on your child support obligation.

If you reach an agreement and obtain a license release, a release form will be sent to the licensing agency and you will be given a copy. Contact the licensing agency to resolve any fees or further paperwork that might be needed to finalize the licensing process.

Your case will be closely monitored to ensure that you honor your agreement. If you fail to do so, your license will be revoked.

If more than one county has requested your license be suspended, you will need to obtain a release from each county.

What are my other options?

If you do not reach an agreement with the DCSS, you may request a license suspension review from the court by filing a motion using Judicial Council Form FL-670, which is available at www.courts.ca.gov/forms.

For information on how to file this form with the court, contact the Family Law Facilitator's Office at 220 W. Broadway, 4th Floor, Room 4001, San Diego, CA 92101.

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