



## **DIRECTIVE**

- ☒ **Legislation/Regulation**  
☒ **Operational**

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**NUMBER: 03 – 05**

The policies and procedures in this Directive are to be implemented by housing providers funded by the Municipality under the following programs:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Housing Program  | <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal Program   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit Program      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Housing<br>Rent Supplement Program               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Co-Op Program           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ontario Community<br>Housing Assistance Program (OCHAP) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Program                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Sponsored Housing<br>Program (CSHP)           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social Housing Registry |   |

\* Please note: If your program is not checked, this Directive doesn't apply to your project.

**SUBJECT: RGI calculations: joint custody**

### **BACKGROUND:**

For the purpose of adjusted family income for a month under s.50 (1) of O.Reg. 298/01 amended to 409/02, RGI calculations must include monthly deductions in the amount of \$150 for a family with at least one child and at least one individual with employment-related income. In case of a family that has no children and only one individual has employment related income, the monthly deduction is \$75.

In order to maintain consistency with the benefit unit eligibility under the Ontario Works Act, 1997, and the Ontario Works policy with respect to dependent children is applied in the case of joint custody in regards to dependent children. The parent responsible for a dependent child is an individual who receives or eligible to receive the Child Tax Benefit payment of the National Child Benefit on behalf of the child or is the parent with the primary care over the child.

### **ACTION TO BE TAKEN:**

In the case of joint custody of dependent children, only the eligible individual in receipt of the Child Tax Benefit is entitled to adjusted income monthly deductions in the amount of \$150 for RGI calculation purposes.

**SOCIAL HOUSING REFORM ACT, 2000 – REFERENCE:**

Section 50 (1), O. Reg. 298/01 amended to 409/02

Ontario Works Policy Directives, September 2001

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