PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN NOTICE

NOTICE OF LIMITED NONCONSENT | WYOMING

Date: [Date] | Parent/guardian: [Full legal name] | Mailing address: [Street, city, state ZIP]

To: Wyoming Department of Family Services (DFS) — [Local office / caseworker] | Email/phone (optional): [Contact]

Re: [Child initials / DFS case number]

To the assigned child protection worker and supervisor:

I am the parent/legal guardian identified above. I understand that DFS must assess or investigate accepted reports of suspected abuse or neglect under Wyo. Stat. § 14-3-204. Please accurately document my decisions about voluntary consent and distinguish optional cooperation from legally required action.

NOTICE CONCERNING VOLUNTARY CONSENT

At this time, I do not provide blanket advance consent to voluntary questioning of me, consensual nonemergency entry into my home, optional testing or evaluations, releases of private records, or voluntary services and safety agreements. Please describe each request individually, whether it is optional, the asserted legal authority if mandatory, and the possible consequences of declining. I request an opportunity to consult legal counsel before deciding. This does not revoke a valid existing agreement or order.

I understand that DFS may seek court authority for access to a child when the law permits and that this notice cannot prevent lawful child interviews or emergency protective action.

PLEASE PROVIDE IN WRITING

1. The specific complaints or allegations made against me, as contemplated by Wyo. Stat. § 14-3-204(a)(iii), subject to lawful limits; and whether the matter is an assessment or investigation.
2. The assigned worker's and supervisor's names, business contact information and case number.
3. Any requested home visit, interview, testing, evaluation, records release or voluntary plan, in writing, including its purpose, legal authority if mandatory, and potential consequences of declining.
4. The written findings, Central Registry notice (if substantiated), records-request instructions, a way to submit a statement for inclusion with the Registry report under published DFS Child Protection Rule Ch. 2 § 6(c)(iv), and the current official hearing rules/forms with filed and effective dates.

Please send routine, nonurgent communications to the address above; contact me promptly for urgent child-safety concerns if a phone is supplied. Please place this notice in the case record and confirm receipt in writing.

I recognize that the agency may continue a lawful investigation, seek judicial authority, and take legally authorized emergency action. This notice does not authorize obstruction or disregard of a court order. I reserve applicable rights.

Signature: _____ **Printed name:** _____

WYOMING REVIEW DEADLINE: Published Child Protection Rule Ch. 2 § 9(a) says eligible written requests are due within 20 days FROM THE NOTICE DATE, with a different trigger for pending related criminal charges and exclusions after certain court findings. The published Contested Case Rule Ch. 1 § 8(e) instead uses 20 days FROM FIRST-CLASS MAILING. The filed 2026 versions have not been verified: request them promptly and do not rely on receipt date alone.

Legal references: Wyo. Stat. § 14-3-204; DFS Child Protection Rules Ch. 2, § 9; DFS Contested Case Hearing Rules Ch. 1, § 8(e).

GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY: The two published rules use different triggers. Request the operative filed rule and case-specific notice immediately; a written registry response is NOT a hearing request. No appeal is filed by sending this document.

IMPORTANT - NO APPEAL FILED: This notice does not file an appeal, hearing request, grievance, or court petition; it does not pause any deadline. Follow the case-specific notice and filing instructions.