

Illinois Calculation of Maintenance (under \$250,000.00)

Higher Earner	\$		30% = \$
Lower Earner	\$	_____	-20% = \$ _____
Total	\$		B \$
40% of Total	\$		
-Lower Earner	\$	_____	
	A \$		

Maintenance is the smaller **A** or **B**.

Length of Marriage:

How long maintenance is paid:

Less than 5 years	.2 x length of marriage
Less than 10 years	.4 x length of marriage
Less than 15 years	.6 x length of marriage
Less than 20 years	.8 x length of marriage
Over 20 years	For life or length of marriage

Example 1:
 \$2,000.00 per month
 \$ 750.00 per month
 4 year marriage

Higher Earner	\$ 2,000.00	30% = \$ 600.00
Lower Earner	\$ 750.00	-20% = \$ 150.00
Total	\$ 2,750.00	B \$ 450.00
40% of Total	\$ 1,100.00	
-Lower Earner	\$ 750.00	
	A \$ 350.00	

Maintenance is \$350.00 per month for .8 years (9.6 months).

Example 2:
 \$60,000.00 per year
 \$30,000.00 per year
 16 year marriage

Higher Earner	\$ 60,000.00	30% = \$ 18,000.00
Lower Earner	\$ 30,000.00	-20% = \$ 6,000.00
Total	\$ 90,000.00	B \$ 12,000.00
40% of Total	\$ 36,000.00	
-Lower Earner	\$ 30,000.00	
	A \$ 6,000.00	

Maintenance is \$6,000.00 per year for 12.8 years (153.6 months).