

**United States District Court  
Northern District of Ohio**

**Modification to Local Rule 4.1  
Effective October 6, 2008**

Rule 4.1 Service of Actions Filed In Forma Pauperis

(a) Service. Where a plaintiff has been granted leave to proceed in form a pauperis, the U.S. Marshal shall be directed to serve the summons and complaint, pursuant to ~~28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)~~ 28 U.S.C § 1915(d) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(c)(3) after the Court has first reviewed the complaint to determine whether sua sponte dismissal under section ~~1915(d)~~ 1915(e)(2) is appropriate.

(b) Waiver of Service. The provision for waiver of service in Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(d) shall not apply in cases filed by plaintiffs proceeding in forma pauperis. In all such cases, the U.S. Marshal shall serve the summons and complaint upon the Court's direction to do so.