

POULSBO-NORTH KITSAP ROTARY POLICY NUMBER 9

“RED BADGE POLICY”

REQUIREMENTS FOR PERMANENT MEMBER’S BADGE

2/16/2019

1. The purpose of Rotary is to: develop new friendships; learn from one another in the business community, and help others; become better citizens by taking an active part in the communities and in the world in which we live; and to be leaders who motivate and influence others. Rotary is a service club. Mankind is its business. Its product is service. Rotarians provide community service to both the local and international communities. The best reason for becoming a Rotarian is the chance to do something for somebody else, and to experience self-fulfillment and enrich one’s own life through this process. Rotarians believe in Service Above Self; it is richly rewarding.

2. In order to achieve these goals, it is important for newly inducted members to Rotary to become active in their clubs. Good attendance; serving on various committees; participation in social events, functions and various club projects, and development of new friendships are all part of what it takes to become a good Rotarian. Upon joining the Rotary Club of Poulsbo North-Kitsap a new member will be given a “Temporary Red Badge”. Within 6 months of joining the club the new member is expected to complete the following tasks to become a full active member (Blue Badge holder):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Serve as a Greeter/Finemaster for at least one meeting. | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attend at least one Board of Directors meetings
(Held once/month, time and place set by the President) | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Makeup at two other clubs
Attend one makeup with your mentor | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Give a classification talk | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attend Friday meetings regularly
have at least an 60% attendance rate. | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attend at least one Rotary Social Function
(Fireside, picnic, dinner, etc) | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Present a thought of the day at one regular meeting | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer to serve on a committee under one of the
Five (5) Avenues of Service or a special project. | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do training on Clubrunner/club website with mentor
/Clubrunner trainer. Upload photo to ClubRunner and update
the member profile. (Must be completed before signoff on this item.) | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Serve on Setup Crew | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Serve on Teardown Crew | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Complete Youth Protection Awareness Training
(See Club website link) | _____ |

3. Many new Rotarians, however, drop out within the first six months to one year, because they find that they either joined Rotary for the wrong reason or they haven't been made to feel a part of the club and, therefore, lose interest. To prevent this from occurring and to get the most out of each new member, the above list of requirements has been developed to assist the new Rotarian in assimilating into the club. The above items must be completed before a permanent blue badge is issued.

4. At orientation a new member will receive a copy of the new member induction package, which will include this "Red Badge Checklist". As stated previously, the new member is expected to complete the checklist within six (6) months of joining.

5. The new member's mentor is responsible to ensure the checklist is completed. He should check with the new member each week to determine the new member's progress and if there are any problems or questions. The Sergeant at Arms will automatically schedule the new member to serve as a greeter/finemaster, and give a "Thought for the Day" at least one time during the first six (6) months, as well as serve on the setup crew and the teardown crew. The new member should participate in the fine session by passing the fine bucket and assisting the more experienced member doing the fines. The new member does not have to actually do fines, but may do so if he/she feels comfortable doing so. The Programs Chair will schedule the new member's classification talk.

6. The mentor will accompany the new member to at least one makeup at another local Rotary Club and if feasible accompany him/her to one or more club committee meetings so the new Rotarian will obtain a sense of what each committee does before deciding which committee/project he/she wishes to join.

7. The mentor will walk through the club's website and Clubrunner with the new member to ensure the new member knows how to gain access in Clubrunner to the Rotarians Profile, club directory, club documents, and the clubrunner email system. If the mentor is unable to perform the Clubrunner training he/she will arrange with another member to provide the training to the new member.

8. Upon completion of all requirements specified in this document, the Rotarian will turn in the completed checklist form to the chairman of the Membership Committee. If it is determined that everything is in order, the Rotarian will be awarded a permanent "Blue Badge". If the Rotarian fails to meet all requirements in the six-month time period he/she may be removed from the club roster by an action of the Rotary Board of Directors at a regularly scheduled board meeting. The Rotarian may request an extension of time, not to exceed three months, if he/she feels there is justification. If granted, the Rotarian must complete the remaining items within the time frame allowed or face dismissal from the club.

9. Any Rotarian who fails to meet the checklist requirements in the time allowed, and is dismissed or resigns from the Rotary Club due to family/work/health/personal reasons, can be invited back when they feel they are able to make the necessary time/financial commitment to be an active member of the club. There is no stigma to resigning and rejoining at a later time provided that whatever financial debts owed to the club for meals/dues/etc. are paid up at re-join time.