

YOUTH PROTECTION

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YOUTH PROTECTION IN D9685

- A GUIDE FOR CLUB PRESIDENTS
- Working With Children Legislation (NSW)
- Rotary International Youth Protection
- Child Protection Policy and Protection Manual – District 9685 website.
- Child related Event
- Child related Activity
- District events
- Club events



WORKING WITH CHILDREN LEGISLATION

1. Appoint a Verification Officer for your club
2. Request all club members to obtain a WWC clearance
3. Verification Officer to verify the clearance on club members
4. Verification Officer to maintain confidential register of those members who have a clearance as well as a register of those members who do not have a clearance or who have not obtained a clearance for whatever reason.



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL YOUTH PROTECTION

1. Youth Protection Manual updates and released in December 2016.

Requires each District to install a Youth Protection Officer
Requires the Youth Protection Officer to investigate all complaints which occur in the District and report to the District Governor.

Requires the District Governor to report matters to Rotary International within 72 hours of his or her knowledge of an incident, monitor such event and supply updates to Rotary International.

CHILD PROTECTION MANUAL

Ensure manual has been adopted by your club.

Also download the roles relating to reporting an allegation of abuse or sexual harassment.

Download Incident report from District Website and use that document to report all incidents which are reported to you.



CHILD RELATED EVENT

RYPEN – RYLA –

Rotary Youth Exchange

CHILD RELATED ACTIVITY

Bbq – School Projects

Outdoor activities where children may be involved.

Eg. Red Shield Appeal

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- If a complaint is received – if serious report the matter to the Police immediately.
- Remove child from area of harm.
- Make a record of any conversation you have with the complainant.
- Complete the Youth Protection Incident report –(Download from Website)
- Contact District Youth Protection Officer.



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