

Club flexibility

Since the 2016 [Council on Legislation](#), Rotary clubs have had the flexibility to choose when, where, and how clubs meet and the types of membership they offer.

5 ways to use the new flexibility

It's up to your club to decide how — and if — you want to make it more flexible. Look at the examples below to see what changes may benefit your club. After you settle on a change, remember to update your bylaws.

Here are some examples of how your club can apply the new flexible options:

1. **Change your meeting schedule.** Your club can vary its meeting days, times, and frequency. For example, you could hold a traditional meeting on the first Tuesday of the month to discuss business and service projects and get together socially on the last Friday of the month. You just need to meet at least twice a month.
2. **Vary your meeting format.** Your club can meet in person, online, or a combination, including letting some members attend in-person meetings through the Internet.
3. **Relax attendance requirements.** Your club can ease attendance requirements and encourage members to participate in other ways, such as taking a leadership role, updating the club website regularly, running a meeting a few times a year, or planning an event. If your club is dynamic and offers a good experience for members, attendance won't be a problem.
4. **Offer multiple membership types.** Your club could offer family memberships, junior memberships to young professionals, or corporate memberships. Each type of membership can have its own policies on dues, attendance, and service expectations. Rotary will count these people in your club membership and will consider them active members if they pay RI dues.
5. **Invite Rotaractors to be members of your club.** You can invite Rotaractors to join your club while remaining members of their Rotaract clubs. If your club chooses to, it can make special accommodations for these members, such as relaxed attendance requirements or reduced fees, as long as they are reflected in the club bylaws.

Find examples of bylaw amendments that clubs might use to try these new flexible options below, and review our frequently asked questions for more information.

Resources & reference

- [Frequently asked questions](#)
- [Rotary's governance documents](#)
- [Start Guide for Alternate Membership Types](#) (includes sample bylaws)
- [Start Guide for Flexible Meeting Formats](#) (includes sample bylaws)
- [Club meeting flexibility and format](#) (video)
- [Membership Types and Attendance Flexibility](#) (video)
- [Club Types](#) (PDF)
- [Satellite club FAQ](#) (PDF)
- [Satellite club application](#) (PDF)
- [Satellite club member information form](#) (PDF)
- [Membership Flexibility Overview](#)