

Rotary District 9910 – CLUB INSURANCE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q Why are we only hearing about this now?

A The process involved in getting the proposal to the market, time taken to assess responses and negotiate final policy for three districts has taken longer than expected.

As this has been managed by our national organisation, Rotary Oceania Operations, we have been reliant on their time frame and resource availability.

Q Is this compulsory?

A No, but we strongly urge clubs to consider taking it.

Q This is an added expense

A Not exactly, historically all clubs have paid an insurance component as part of their district levy on the basis of an amount per member/per annum. Going forward, the District insurance component of General Expenses of the district levy will reduce.

This year clubs will receive credits included on their 2020-2021 district levy invoice as a result of:

1. The surplus of district funds from the 2018-2019 year;
2. The cancelled District Conference and return of the conference levy; and
3. The amendment to District Insurance cost in General Expenses of the 2020-2021 budget.

The District acknowledges this will not completely cover the increased cost of insurance but it does contribute to releasing club operating budget towards insurance cover cost.

Q Do we have to use this broker and take this policy?

A No you don't, but again this is a specifically tailored policy for Rotary and it would seem beneficial to use it.

Q Can we select the areas of cover we require?

A No, it is a package which enables the reductions and benefits gained.

Q Is every club able to take the cover?

A The insurer requires only those clubs that are incorporated societies can utilise this policy.

Q Our club doesn't run any events, do we have to have insurance?

A This is a decision for your club board to discuss and assess the risk but we encourage you to consider it.

Q Our club has more than one Trust, will they both be covered under this policy?

A No, the policy on offer is an Association Liability Cover which includes one trust in association with a club.

If your club has more than one Trust, we recommend you contact the broker to discuss the options available.

Q We really only have the one event which may require insurance cover. Can we get cover just for that event?

A The advice we have received indicates to arrange one-off insurance cover for a limited time period is likely to be more expensive than picking up the package proposed for cover across a whole year.

We recommend you seek advice from the insurance broker.