

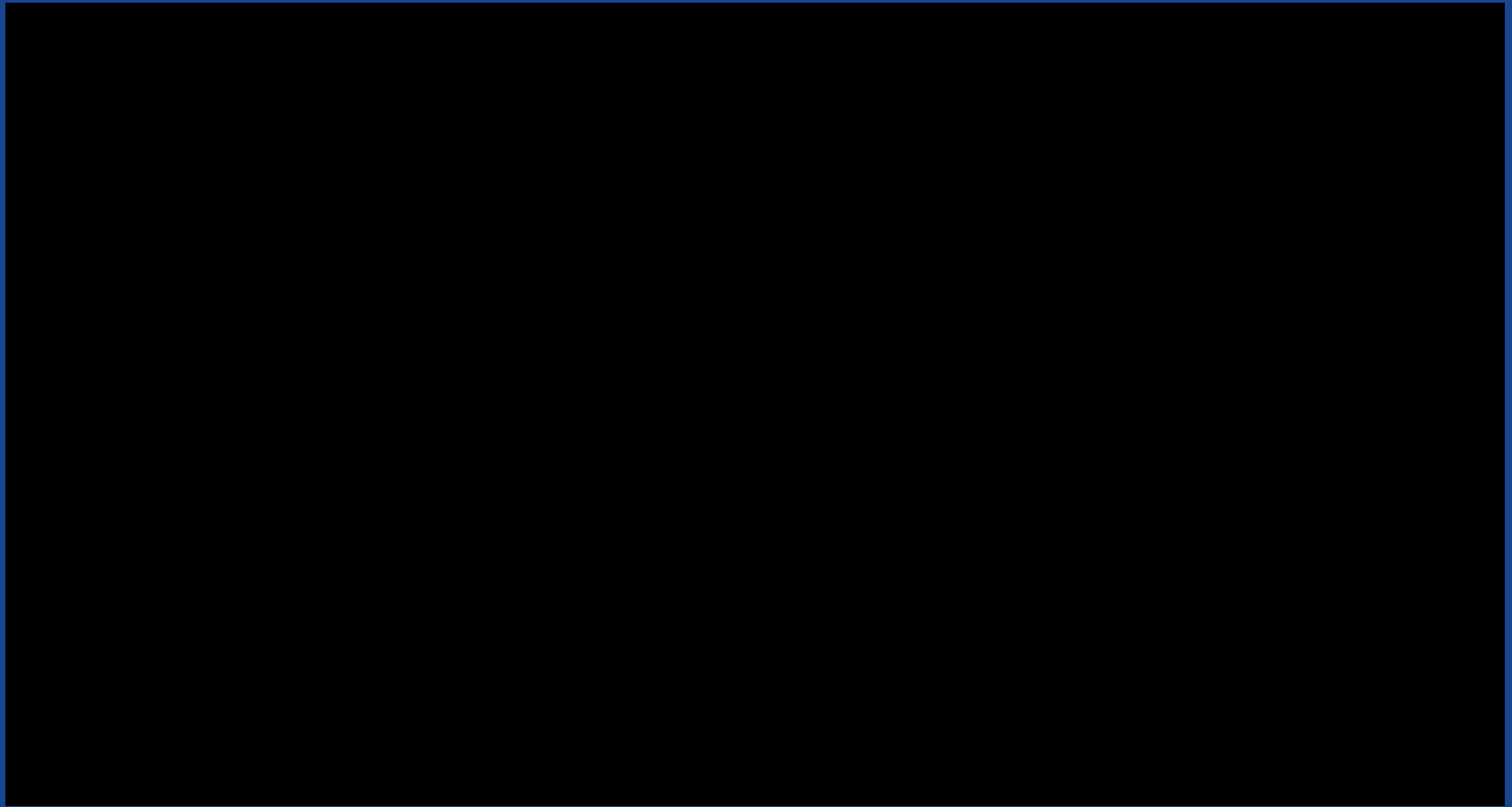


Youth Protection

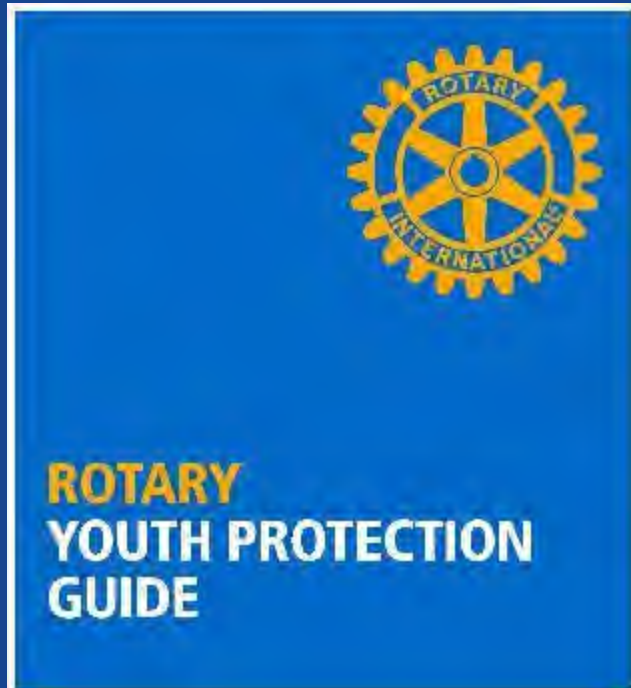
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Youth = Future!



Rotary Youth Protection Guide



Awareness & Prevention

Leadership & Positions of
Responsibility

Youth Protection Procedures

Reference: <https://my.rotary.org/en/document/rotary-youth-protection-guide>

Why Important?

Safeguarding our youth

Provide environment for youth to grow and become productive adults

Recognizing & addressing Abuse and Harassment

Providing Role Models

Rules!

“Rotary International strives to create and maintain a safe environment for all youth who participate in Rotary activities. To the best of their ability, Rotarians, Rotarians’ spouses and partners, and other volunteers must **safeguard the children and young people** they come into contact with and **protect them from physical, sexual, and emotional abuse.**”

Adopted by the RI Board of Directors



Consequences!

“Upon obtaining information that a club has failed to address an allegation against a member in connection with a Rotary-related youth program for violating applicable law regarding the protection of youth, the board may **suspend or terminate the membership of the club.**”

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Descriptions

Emotional or verbal abuse

Physical abuse

Neglect

Sexual abuse

Sexual Harassment

“Tell-Tale” Signs

Physical changes

Anxiety

Changes in eating habits or body image

Withdrawal

Aggression

Age-inappropriate behavior

Who?

All club and district leaders involved with Interact, RYLA, Rotary Youth Exchange and youth programs!

In general, those programs or projects where adults are involved with youth!

Your District Policy

First – Review your District policy and implementation process!

Second – As Club President, what level of Certification is required?

Definitions

YPO – Club and District Youth Protection Officer

YPC – Youth Protection Certified

LiveScan – Finger Printing (DOJ Clearance!)

Volunteer – Non-Rotarian working on a Rotary Project with youth present.

The Process!

Every Club President must be Youth Protection Certified (YPC)

At least three (3) club members must be completely screened and trained

All club members on the Youth Service Committee must be YPC.

Suggestion: Maybe for new members?

Proposed Checklist

Level	Who?	Type
1	All Rotarians & other adult volunteers who have <u>any contact with youth</u> in a Rotary context.	Basic Awareness (On-line)
2	District Governor, Club President, Youth Service Chair, YPO & all Rotarians & other adult volunteers who have <u>extensive contact/involvement</u> working with youth in a Rotary context.	Volunteer Affidavit (Personal references)
		LiveScan (Finger printing)
		Complete Certification

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BE THE INSPIRATION



**PLEASE COMPLETE
YOUR EVALUATION**

