



Interact Student Registration Package

Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention 2022





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Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is the Zone Interact Convention?

A: The Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention (ZIC) is the first conference of its kind in the Rotary world. Over the course of 4 days, passionate Interactors from across our two zones will join together in Calgary, Alberta to shift the conversation around Rotary Interact. Through interactive sessions and high-profile speakers, we explore topics of resilience, the necessity of youth leadership in our ever-changing world, and the power of collaboration to tackle global issues. We strongly believe that when Rotary Interact students are able to connect with like-minded leaders and take action to further their leadership skills, they not only have the power to change their respective clubs and communities but also their lives. Our hope is that students leave this conference as better leaders than they were when they entered.

Q: How can I apply to attend ZIC?

A: All ZIC attendees are sponsored by their local Rotary International Clubs. We encourage you to reach out to your Interact Club's Rotarian Advisor to seek nomination.

Q: Who is eligible to attend?

A: High school students aged 14-18 years old who are active members of their school's or community's Rotary Interact Club. Most Rotary International clubs will have a selection process and will directly register their locally selected participants.

Q: How much does it cost to register a participant?

A: The program and transportation costs will be covered by the sponsor club. Parents are not able to pay directly for their student to attend. Students will have an opportunity to tour the host city. Although it is not required, students may bring money of their own accord in order to purchase souvenirs. Our team is not able to help with money conversion to the Canadian dollar.

Q: What expectations are of students?

A: Selected students are expected to be representatives of their Rotary Interact Clubs and their respective Rotary Districts. Misconduct during the event may result in removal.



Q: Where will the convention be held?

A: ZIC will be held in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. All attendees will be housed in The Best Western Premier Calgary Plaza Hotel & Conference Centre.

Q: How will schedule conflicts be handled?

A: Due to the sheer scale and programming of this event, we are unable to allocate time for students to leave the conference for an extended amount of time. All attendees must be able to commit to the full program.

Q: What should attendees bring?

A: In our attendee package we'll provide an in-depth suggested packing list. For now your enthusiasm, dedication, and an extra pair of socks!

Q: What does safety at this event look like?

A: Although we will have security personnel and other security measures in place, we can not 100% guarantee the safety of your personal belongings. Please do not bring highly valuable goods such as expensive jewelry, large sums of cash, etc.

Q: When will the registration window close?

A: The planning committee will not accept any more registration packets after September 13th, 2022.

Payment & Registration Policy 2022

Thank you for your interest in the Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention (ZIC) 2022! We look forward to meeting Interact students from your district very soon. For the 2022 conference, ZIC will be held at The Best Western Premier Calgary Plaza Hotel & Conference Centre in Calgary, Alberta and it will take place from **October 20th to October 23rd, 2022**.

We would not be able to provide this experience to our participants without the support of sponsoring Rotary clubs. Our current policy requires clubs to pay for the program and transportation costs of students. Parents and/or legal guardians are not able to pay directly for their student to attend. Multiple clubs are able to sponsor a single student.

Only high school students aged 14-18 years old who are active members of their school's or community's Rotary Interact Club are eligible to attend ZIC. Selected students are expected to be representatives of their Rotary Interact Clubs and their respective Rotary Districts. Misconduct during the event may result in removal.

All participants, who are of age, are required to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination and will also provide a negative COVID-19 test result - regardless of vaccination status - to the registration team 72 hours prior to the event. All related costs are at the expense of participants.

Due to the sheer scale and programming of this event, we are unable to allocate time for students to leave the conference for an extended amount of time. All attendees must be able to commit to the full program. Students will have an opportunity to tour the host city. Although it is not required, students may bring money of their own accord in order to purchase souvenirs.

The registration fee consists of accommodation for the 4 days and 3 nights of conference and hotel meals (4 lunches, 3 dinners, 3 breakfasts, and additional snacks throughout the event), program-related fees (speakers, program supplies, external program, etc), and merchandise. It does not include travel to or from the event or money for incidentals such as laundry and souvenirs. An additional contingency refundable deposit is paid regardless of pricing plan. If the event was cancelled due to extenuating circumstances, the registration fee would be refunded and the deposit will be retained.

All participants and clubs should be fully aware that our team can not aid with money conversion to the Canadian dollar. We would like to inform all clubs of the following registration and payment deadlines.

Registration is currently open and will close on September 13th, 2021. The fee is CAD\$991 per student (\$850 registration fee with a \$141 refundable deposit).



Payments can be made by accessing the payment link on our website. Pressing the link will lead you to an option to pay and input your club's credit card information (Mastercard, Visa, etc.).

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Students must be accompanied to and from their home districts by a Rotarian chaperone. Failure to provide a chaperone will result in students being unable to attend the event without refund to clubs. **Chaperones must be registered by September 13th, 2022.**

Thank you for your support of ZIC! If you have any questions please feel free to contact our registration team at registration@zoneinteractconvention.org



Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention Registration Form

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

LEGAL FULL NAME			
PREFERED FIRST AND LAST NAME (IF DIFFERENT)			
DIETARY RESTRICTIONS			
PRONOUNS		BIRTHDATE (DD/MM/YYYY)	
GRADE		SHIRT SIZE	
CONTACT INFO	EMAIL		
	PHONE NUMBER		
HOME ADDRESS	STREET ADDRESS		
	CITY		
	STATE/PROVINCE		
	COUNTRY		
	POSTAL/ZIP CODE		
ROTARY INFO	ROTARY DISTRICT		
	CLUB		
	ROTARY SPONSOR CLUB		

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

FULL NAME			
PRONOUNS		RELATION TO PARTICIPANT	
CONTACT INFO	EMAIL		
	PHONE NUMBER		





PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Note: Only one required and only to be filled out if the registrant is under the age of 18

LEGAL FULL NAME		
PREFERRED FIRST AND LAST NAME (IF DIFFERENT)		
PRONOUNS		
CONTACT INFO	EMAIL	
	PHONE NUMBER	
HOME ADDRESS (if different from student)	STREET ADDRESS	
	CITY	
	STATE/PROVINCE	
	COUNTRY	
	POSTAL/ZIP CODE	

MEDICAL INFORMATION

ALLERGIES	
MEDICAL CONDITIONS	
REQUIRED MEDICATIONS	
ADDITIONAL MEDICAL INFORMATION	

CHECK THE FOLLOWING ACCOMMODATIONS REQUIRED

<input type="checkbox"/>	Wheelchair Accessibility	<input type="checkbox"/>	Braille
<input type="checkbox"/>	Service Animal will accompany me	<input type="checkbox"/>	Assistive Learning Device
<input type="checkbox"/>	Personal Care Attendant will accompany me	<input type="checkbox"/>	Alternate text for visual content
<input type="checkbox"/>	ASL Interpreter	<input type="checkbox"/>	Alternate text for audio content (including captioning with multimedia)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Simultaneous Spoken Foreign Language Interpretation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Avoiding flashing animation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Materials in font over ____ pt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Using high-contrast foreground/background colours



Agreement for Release and Waiver of Liability Waiver Form

Name of Participant: _____

Name of Rotary Event (“event”): **Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention**

Description: The Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention is an immersive 4-day convention that aims to bring together American, Bermudan, Canadian, and French Interact students to change the conversation around Rotary Interact while building a cross-border community of passionate peers.

Dates of Event: October 20th-23rd, 2022

We, the parents or guardians of the participant, provide permission for the participant to participate in the above-described event. We have been advised of, confirm and agree to, the activities planned and to be held as part of the event, including the provisions made for the room and board of the participant during the trip. We certify that the participant has no physical condition which will be aggravated by any of the activities anticipated or which will impair the participant’s ability to participate in and withstand any of the contemplated activities included in the event.

In exchange for being permitted to participate in the event, the participant and the parents or guardians of the participant, for themselves, their heirs, guardians, and legal representatives, release and hereby agree not to make or bring any action of any kind against Rotary International, Rotary District 5360, the Rotary Club of Calgary East, or any Rotary Club, or their respective officers, directors, employees, agents, contractors, representatives, volunteers, sponsors, cooperating organizations and other parties in interest for any injury or damage to the participant or any of the property of the participant, arising out the attendance and participation in the event and the involvement of the participant in the activities associated with the event, save and except for such injury and damage arising from the gross negligence of Rotary or those others set out therein.

We, the parents and guardians of the participant, acknowledge that we have disclosed all medical conditions of the participant (whether physical or mental and including allergies) and have provided the event supervisor with a list of all medications and dosages that the participant is currently using. We acknowledge that it is the participant’s responsibility to take all medications as prescribed and that the participant has been advised to pack all medications in carry-on luggage in order to ensure no missing doses in the case of a loss of luggage.

We accept and acknowledge that obtaining adequate travel insurance (health, medical, or otherwise, including medical evacuation and repatriation of remains) for the participant is entirely the responsibility of the participant and their parents/guardians.

We hereby consent to permit any emergency medical treatment in the event of injury or illness and be responsible for any hospitalization, medical, ambulance, or other costs.

We acknowledge and accept the following list of potential risks for the participant:

1. The risk of death or injury as a result of travel accidents, including but not limited to airplane, helicopter, train, bus, or other motor vehicle accidents;
2. The risk of death or injury as a result of unsafe drinking water;
3. The risk of death or injury as a result of unsafe food preparation or standards;
4. The risk of death or injury as a result of reduced services available in the area being traveled to, including the possibility that there might not be medical care readily available;





5. The risk of death or injury as a result of the activities undertaken during the trip, including humanitarian or recreational. We accept that there are risks inherent in building or other development or recreational activities that the participant may undertake;
6. The increased risk of death or injury of diseases or parasites being acquired that aren't common in Canada;
7. The risk of death or injury as the result of a natural disaster;
8. The risk of death or injury as the result of human conflict, including (but not limited to) political conflict, terrorism, criminal behavior, or war.

We agree that if anyone makes any claims resulting from any injury to the participant (including death) or for any damage to the participant's property, the undersigned will keep Rotary International, Rotary District 5360, all Rotary Clubs, and all those released by this agreement free of and indemnified from any damages or costs because of those claims.

As the parent or guardian of any participant who is a minor, we hereby acknowledge the waivers and releases contained in this agreement and hereby agree to indemnify and save harmless Rotary International, the Rotary Club of Calgary East, the Rotary District 5360, all Rotary Clubs, its successors and assigns, and any officers, directors, employees, agents, contractors, representatives, volunteers, sponsors and cooperating organizations or any other parties connected with the event and activities associated therewith in respect of any injuries (including death) or damage to any property of the participant named herein or any injury or damage to the property caused by such participant.

These statements and releases are binding upon us, our heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns.

DATED: the ___ day of _____ 20__

NAME of Participant (please print) _____
Signature

NAME of Participant's parent or legal guardian (please print) _____
Signature

HOME ADDRESS

Phone (cell) _____
Phone (residence) _____
Email

NAME of witness (please print) _____
Signature





Personal Data Sharing

Your privacy is important to Rotary and the personal data you share with Rotary will only be used for official Rotary business. This means that your personal data will be used to enable your attendance and participation during the Event and to facilitate your Event experience (for example we may share your personal data to print name badges). Personal data you provide when registering may be transferred to Rotary service providers (for example affiliated entities) to assist Rotary in planning Event-related activities. You may receive information about the Event and supplementary services via email. You may object to the use of your email address at any time by sending a message to: ***registration@zoneinteractconvention.org***.

DATED: the ___ day of _____ 20__

NAME of participant (please print)

Signature

NAME of participant's parent or legal guardian (please print)

Signature

ADDRESS

Phone (cell)

Phone (residence)

Email

NAME of witness (please print)

Signature



October 20th-23rd, 2022

Student Code of Conduct

All attendees, speakers, sponsors, volunteers, Rotarian Chaperones, and planning team members, hereinafter referred to as “participants”, are required to agree to the following code of conduct. This code will be strictly enforced throughout the duration of the event to ensure the comfort and safety of all our participants. We expect cooperation from all participants to ensure an engaged, creative, respectful, inclusive, judgment-free environment for everyone involved.

I, _____, will abide by the following codes of conduct:

1. I am a Rotary Ambassador and am representing _____ my Sponsor Rotary Club(s), my Interact/Rotaract Club, and my Rotary District _____ during this convention.
2. I will be a strong ambassador, embrace all projects enthusiastically, be on my best behavior at all times and come ready to learn and connect with others.
3. I will abide by the rules set out by the Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention team, Rotary District 5360, and the chaperones on this trip.
4. I will abide by the 4 Ds: NO DRINKING, NO DRUGS, NO DATING, NO DRIVING. I understand that these activities are completely prohibited and failure to comply with anyone will have serious consequences, including being returned home immediately at my own cost.
5. I will respect the itinerary and go to bed/wake up when I am asked. I will be ready to leave on time and arrive at my activities on time.
6. I will not use my cellphone while the Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention team is giving instructions.
7. I will not post any inappropriate photos and/or other information on social media.
8. I will respect the quiet in the room while other students sleep after lights out.
9. I will attend the Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention and all planned activities in its entirety.
10. I will refrain from any consumption of alcohol or any other drug during the duration of the Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention in order to ensure the safety and well-being of the students participating.
11. I will not make insensitive comments or stereotypes regarding age, body size, ethnicity, gender identity and expression, geographical background, handicap, physical appearance, race, religious expression (or therefore lack of), sexual orientation, etc.



12. Sexual language, behaviors, and imagery are not appropriate for any conference venue, including speaker presentations, breakout session discussions, workshops, socials, networking events, social media, etc. All participants should work to not create a sexualized environment.
13. I will use appropriate and respectful language and I understand there is a zero-tolerance policy on profanity and lewd comments. I am responsible for my own choices.
14. I will comply with COVID-19 guidelines outlined by the planning team/Government of Alberta/Government of Canada including wearing a mask when there is less than six feet of distance between you and another individual in a public setting during the event and providing a negative COVID-19 test prior to the event if required.
15. I will not leave the site unless given explicit permission by the conference co-chairs.

Unwelcome behaviors

Including but not limited to:

- a. Offensive verbal comments or physical action taken against others due to age, body size, ethnicity, gender identity and expression, geographical background, handicap, physical appearance, race, religious expression (or therefore lack of), sexual orientation, sexual imagery, alcohol usage, drug usage, stalking, harassing photography, sustained interruption of conference presentations and activities, etc.
- b. If you are being harassed at the event, notice someone being harassed, or have any concerns please contact the conference planning team members immediately. They'll be clearly identifiable at the event
- c. Conference staff are happy to help participants contact hotel venue security or local law enforcement, provide escorts, or otherwise assist those experiencing harassment so that they feel safe for the duration of the event

In signing, you are acknowledging and agreeing to all of the standards and expectations laid out by the Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention Team. You commit to doing your part to contribute to a safe and welcoming environment and will follow the expectations we have outlined. Violation of the clauses above may result in your immediate expulsion at your own cost and your district and Rotary Club(s) will be notified immediately.

Student Name (print name)

Student Signature

Date

Parent or Legal Guardian Name
(please print)

Parent or Legal Guardian
Signature

Date





Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention Media Consent & Release Form

I, _____, grant permission to the Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention hereinafter known as the "ZIC" to use the image (photographs and/or video) of _____ (the "Attendee") in whole or in part, for use in Media publications including individually or in conjunction with other images and video footage, to be displayed on ZIC and Rotary International official channels, and to be used for media purposes including videos, email blasts, informational brochures, promotional presentations, newsletters, magazines, general publications, website and/or affiliates, marketing campaigns, etc.

I acknowledge and accept that these materials may be edited at the sole discretion of the ZIC leadership and Rotary International. I authorize the display and use of any media material created by myself/or my youth (under the age of 18) within the program. I hereby waive any right to inspect or approve the finished photographs or electronic matter that may be used in conjunction with them now or in the future, whether that use is known to me or unknown, and I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising from or related to the use of the image.

Please initial the paragraph below which is applicable to your present situation:

_____ - I am 18 years of age or older and I am competent to contract in my own name. I have read this release before signing below, and I fully understand the contents, meaning, and impact of this release. I understand that I am free to address any specific questions regarding this release by submitting those questions in writing prior to signing, and I agree that my failure to do so will be interpreted as a free and knowledgeable acceptance of the terms of this release.

_____ - I am the parent or legal guardian of the below named child. I have read this release before signing below, and I fully understand the contents, meaning, and impact of this release. I understand that I am free to address any specific questions regarding this release by submitting those questions in writing prior to signing, and I agree that my failure to do so will be interpreted as a free and knowledgeable acceptance of the terms of this release.

Participant Name (print name)	Participant Signature	Date
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Witness Name (please print)	Witness Signature	Date
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If the Attendee is under 18 years of age, the Attendee's parent or legal guardian must complete and sign this release form.

I am aware that by signing this I am confirming that I am over 18 years of age, the parent or legal guardian of the youth, and I have read this waiver and am familiar with its content.

Parent or Legal Guardian Name (please print)	Parent or Legal Guardian Signature	Date
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Zone 28 & 32 Interact Convention Confirmation of Vaccination

I, _____, (the "Attendee") acknowledge and agreed to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination (to full eligibility) **OR** proof of exemption and a negative COVID-19 test result - regardless of vaccination status - to the registration team 72 hours prior to the event.

I understand that any fees incurred as a result of obtaining or sending these above mentioned items are at my own expense - unless my sponsor club has agreed to cover them.

I recognize that failure to provide both of the above named items prior to the event will result in being unable to attend the event with no refund issued.

I understand that falsifying my COVID-19 test, proof of vaccination, or proof of exemption is in direct violation of the clauses above and that serious consequences will occur if either or both of the above mentioned items are discovered to be falsified.

Please initial the paragraph below which is applicable to your present situation:

_____ - I am 18 years of age or older and I am competent to contract in my own name. I have read this form before signing below, and I fully understand the contents, meaning, and impact of this form. I understand that I am free to address any specific questions regarding this form by submitting those questions in writing prior to signing, and I agree that my failure to do so will be interpreted as a free and knowledgeable acceptance of the terms of this form.

_____ - I am the parent or legal guardian of the below named child. I have read this release before signing below, and I fully understand the contents, meaning, and impact of this form. I understand that I am free to address any specific questions regarding this form by submitting those questions in writing prior to signing, and I agree that my failure to do so will be interpreted as a free and knowledgeable acceptance of the terms of this form.

Participant Name (print name)	Participant Signature	Date
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Witness Name (please print)	Witness Signature	Date
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If the Attendee is under 18 years of age, the Attendee's parent or legal guardian must complete and sign this form. I am aware that by signing this I am confirming that I am over 18 years of age, the parent or legal guardian of the youth, and I have read this waiver and am familiar with its content.

Parent or Legal Guardian Name (please print)	Parent or Legal Guardian Signature	Date
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2.120.2. Abuse and Harassment Prevention and Reporting Procedures

To uphold the Statement of Conduct for Working with Youth all clubs and districts must ensure the abuse and harassment prevention and reporting requirements are followed as established by the general secretary:

1. RI has a zero-tolerance policy against abuse and harassment.
2. All district governors-elect must complete youth protection training before the start of their term as governor, as determined by the general secretary.
3. Districts participating in any youth programs may develop and implement youth protection policies according to local customs. Districts participating in Rotary Youth Exchange must develop and implement youth protection policies as outlined in Rotary Code of Policies section 41.050. Rotary Youth Exchange.
4. Districts participating in any youth program should appoint a youth protection officer. The youth protection officer should advise clubs and the district related to abuse and harassment prevention, assist districts to manage risks and crises that impact the safety of youth, should have professional experience in counseling, social work, law, law enforcement, or child development, and may be a Rotarian or non-Rotarian.
5. All allegations of abuse or harassment shall be reported to RI within 72 hours of learning of the incident. Failure to report incidents to RI within 72 hours may result in suspension of the district's Youth Exchange certification. Where there is sufficient evidence that an individual, club, or district knowingly failed to report as required, the general secretary may determine whether and/or the extent to which involved parties may continue to be eligible to participate in Rotary's youth programs, or whether additional sanctions may be necessary, including but not limited to requiring the club to terminate an individual's membership.
6. Any allegation of abuse must be immediately reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency, in accordance with RI's zero-tolerance policy. All law enforcement reviews must be conducted by legal authorities that are not affiliated with Rotary.
7. In addition to reporting to law enforcement for investigation, an independent and thorough investigation must be made by the club and district into any claims of abuse or harassment including a determination for how to prevent a similar situation in the future.
8. Any person involved in Rotary against whom an allegation of sexual abuse or harassment is made must be removed from all contact with youth until the matter is resolved.



9. A club must terminate the membership of any individual who admits to, is convicted of, or is otherwise known to have engaged in sexual abuse or harassment of youth or youth program participants. A Rotarian or non-rotary volunteer who admits to is convicted of or is otherwise known to have engaged in sexual abuse or sexual harassment or other act of moral turpitude must be prohibited from working with youth in a Rotary context. A club may not grant membership to a person who is known to have engaged in sexual abuse or harassment. (Upon obtaining information that a club has knowingly failed to terminate the membership of such an individual, the RI Board may terminate the club for failure to comply).

10. If an investigation into a claim of sexual abuse or harassment is inconclusive, then, for the safety of youth participants and the protection of the accused, additional safeguards must be put in place to assure the protection of any youth with whom the individual may have future contact. If there are subsequent claims of sexual abuse or harassment, the individual shall be permanently prohibited from working with youth in a Rotary context. Regardless of criminal or civil guilt, the continued presence of the adult could be detrimental to the reputation of the organization and could be harmful to youth. A person who is accused but later cleared of charges may apply to be reinstated to participate in youth programs. Reinstatement is not a right, and no guarantee is made that any individual will be reinstated to a former position.

11. Districts must track all individuals prohibited from contact with youth and ensure such prohibitions are implemented consistently throughout the district from year to year.

12. Individuals prohibited from working with youth may not serve as District Interact Chair, Interact Club Adviser, District RYLA Chair, District Youth Exchange Chair, District Youth Protection Officer, or in any other locally-appointed club or district role where there may be contact with youth. (January 2020 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 85)

In signing, you are acknowledging and agreeing to all of the standards and expectations laid out above. You understand that you are free to direct any questions you have about this policy to the convention co-chairs prior to signing and an absence of questions is taken as full understanding on your part. Violation of the clauses above may result in your immediate expulsion at your own cost and your District and Rotary Club(s) will be notified immediately.

Participant Name (print name)

Participant Signature

Date

Witness Name (please print)

Witness Signature

Date





2.120.3. Travel and Overnight Stays by Youth

Recognizing that Rotary clubs and districts are encouraged to undertake activities that develop youth, club, and district programs or activities that involve minors undertaking travel outside their local community, or that include overnight stays, must develop, maintain, and comply with youth protection policies and written procedures.

The district governor has the responsibility for the supervision and control of all programs and activities organized within the district that involve minors traveling outside their local community or involve overnight stays.

Clubs and districts:

1. Shall obtain written permission from the parents or guardians of all participants under 18 for travel outside the local community or involve overnight stays in advance;
2. Shall provide parents or legal guardians with specific details about the program, location of event, travel itineraries, sleeping accommodations, and contact information for program organizers before departure;
3. Should, when traveling 150 miles away from home residence or out of home country, require the parents or legal guardians of each minor to provide travel insurance for the minor, which includes such coverages as medical (when traveling outside home country), emergency medical evacuation, repatriation of remains, and legal liability, in amounts satisfactory to the club or district organizing the activity or event, with coverage from the time of the minor’s departure from home until the return home.

In signing, you are acknowledging and agreeing to all of the standards and expectations laid out above. You understand that you are free to direct any questions you have about this policy to the convention co-chairs prior to signing and an absence of questions is taken as full understanding on your part. Violation of the clauses above may result in your immediate expulsion at your own cost and your District and Rotary Club(s) will be notified immediately.

Participant Name (print name)	Participant Signature	Date
Witness Name (please print)	Witness Signature	Date





2.120. Youth Protection Policy

2.120.1. Statement of Conduct for Working with Youth

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' partners, and other volunteers must safeguard the children and young people with whom they come in contact and protect them from physical, sexual, and psychological abuse. (October 2019 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 58) Source: November 2002 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 98; Amended by November 2006 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 72; October 2019 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 58

2.120.2. Abuse and Harassment Prevention and Reporting Procedures

To uphold the Statement of Conduct for Working with Youth all clubs and districts must ensure the abuse and harassment prevention and reporting requirements are followed as established by the general secretary:

Rotary Code of Policies

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1. RI has a zero-tolerance policy against abuse and harassment.
2. All district governors-elect must complete youth protection training before the start of their term as governor, as determined by the general secretary.
3. Districts participating in any youth programs may develop and implement youth protection policies according to local customs. Districts participating in Rotary Youth Exchange must develop and implement youth protection policies as outlined in Rotary

Code of Policies section 41.050.

Rotary Youth Exchange

4. Districts participating in any youth program should appoint a youth protection officer. The youth protection officer should advise clubs and the district related to abuse and harassment prevention, assist districts to manage risks and crises that impact the safety of youth, should have professional experience in counseling, social work, law, law enforcement, or child development, and may be a Rotarian or non-Rotarian.
5. All allegations of abuse or harassment shall be reported to RI within 72 hours of learning of the incident. Failure to report incidents to RI within 72 hours may result in suspension of the district's Youth Exchange certification. Where there is sufficient evidence that an individual, club, or district knowingly failed to report as required, the general secretary may determine whether and/or the extent to which involved parties may continue to be eligible to participate in Rotary's youth programs, or whether additional sanctions may be necessary, including but not limited to requiring the club to terminate an individual's membership.
6. Any allegation of abuse must be immediately reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency, in accordance with RI's zero-tolerance policy. All law enforcement reviews must be conducted by legal authorities that are not affiliated with Rotary.
7. In addition to reporting to law enforcement for investigation, an independent and thorough investigation must be made by the club and district into any claims of abuse or harassment including a determination for how to prevent a similar situation in the future.



8. Any person involved in Rotary against whom an allegation of sexual abuse or harassment is made must be removed from all contact with youth until the matter is resolved.
9. A club must terminate the membership of any individual who admits to, is convicted of or is otherwise known to have engaged in sexual abuse or harassment of youth or youth program participants. A Rotarian or non-Rotary volunteer who admits to, is convicted of, or is otherwise known to have engaged in sexual abuse or sexual harassment or other act of moral turpitude must be prohibited from working with youth in a Rotary context. A club may not grant membership to a person who is known to have engaged in sexual abuse or harassment. (Upon obtaining information that a club has knowingly failed to terminate the membership of such an individual, the RI Board may terminate the club for failure to comply).

Rotary Code of Policies

14 January 2021

10. If an investigation into a claim of sexual abuse or harassment is inconclusive, then, for the safety of youth participants and the protection of the accused, additional safeguards must be put in place to assure the protection of any youth with whom the individual may have future contact. If there are subsequent claims of sexual abuse or harassment, the individual shall be permanently prohibited from working with youth in a Rotary context. Regardless of criminal or civil guilt, the continued presence of the adult could be detrimental to the reputation of the organization and could be harmful to youth. A person who is accused but later cleared of charges, may apply to be reinstated to participate in youth programs. Reinstatement is not a right, and no guarantee is made that any individual will be reinstated to a former position.
11. Districts must track all individuals prohibited from contact with youth and ensure such prohibitions are implemented consistently throughout the district from year to year.
12. Individuals prohibited from working with youth may not serve as District Interact Chair, Interact Club Adviser, District RYLA Chair, District Youth Exchange Chair, District Youth Protection Officer, or in any other locally-appointed club or district role where there may be contact with youth.

In signing, you are acknowledging and agreeing to all of the standards and expectations laid out above. You understand that you are free to direct any questions you have about this policy to the convention co-chairs prior to signing and an absence of questions is taken as full understanding on your part. Violation of the clauses above may result in your immediate expulsion at your own cost and your District and Rotary Club(s) will be notified immediately.

Participant Name (print name)

Participant Signature

Date

Witness Name (please print)

Witness Signature

Date





Contact Information

Prior to and immediately after the event please reach our the committee emails below:

For general inquiries: admin@zoneinteractconvention.org

For sponsorship or merchandise queries: finance@zoneinteractconvention.org

For queries about the site, accommodations, etc: logistics@zoneinteractconvention.org

For promotional or marketing queries: marketing@zoneinteractconvention.org

For any registration queries: registration@zoneinteractconvention.org

At the event:

Contact your District’s Rotarian Chaperone **first**

Convention Co-Chairs		
Rebecca Avileli	Iqmat Iyiola	Kamil Kanji
Site-based/accommodation/ other logistical queries	Registration/Marketing queries	Financial queries
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