



Rotaract in Great Britain & Ireland

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How to Establish Joint Rotary Club Sponsorship

A Rotaract club may be sponsored jointly by more than one Rotary club under the following conditions:

- a) The district governor must give his approval, stating in writing that, in their considered judgment, the best interests of the district, the Rotary clubs concerned and the Rotaract programme would be served by the proposed joint sponsorship.
- b) The circumstances must be such that the organisation of separate Rotaract clubs, each sponsored by a single Rotary club, would create an artificial division of what is essentially a single body of young adults within the community or university.
- c) A joint Rotaract committee must be created with effective representation from each of the sponsoring Rotary clubs.

It is possible to add new sponsoring Rotary Clubs after your Rotaract Club has been chartered, but obviously it needs to be handled very carefully to ensure the relationship with your existing Sponsoring Rotary Club is maintained.

If you wanted to seek additional sponsoring Rotary Clubs we recommend you follow these steps:

1. Speak to your existing Sponsoring Rotary Club to explain why you would like to seek additional Rotary Club Sponsorship and mention any clubs that you have in mind to link with. Do stress the point that you are not looking to move away from their club but you feel that with more than one Rotary Club supporting your Rotaract Club it will become stronger etc. Also thank them for all their support over the years and that you're looking forward to building on the relationship that is already in place
2. With your Sponsoring Rotary Club approach the Rotary Club you would like to ask to become joint sponsors and arrange a meeting to discuss how it would work and what is involved in sponsoring a Rotaract Club.
3. If all parties are happy to proceed write a letter to the Rotary District Governor explaining the new relationships and seek permission for official joint sponsorship. Have the letter signed by the President's of all Rotary Clubs involved and your Rotaract Club.
4. Once your District Governor has given their approval write a joint letter detailing the new sponsoring Rotary Clubs, your Rotaract Club name and your District Number etc and ask that your club information be updated. Get this letter signed by the Rotaract Club President, The sponsoring Rotary Club Presidents and Rotary District Governor and send copies of it to Rotaract in Great Britain & Ireland, Rotary in Great Britain & Ireland and Rotary International.
5. Don't forget to update your club website and any information in the public domain about your club.

For more information please contact the Rotaract in Great Britain & Ireland Membership & Extension Officer: membership@rotaract.org.uk

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