

Rotary Club of Summerland BC

Spousal Membership

1. Approval. A spouse or partner can become an eligible member of the Rotary club by having a spouse or partner who is already a club member and has been a member for at least one year. Spouse members will be considered to be proposed by their Rotarian spouse and spousal memberships will be subject to the same approval process as for a regular member.
2. Inductions. A spouse member will be formally inducted into the club as is done with any other regular member.
3. Attendance. The attendance requirement for a spouse member is the same as any other regular member.
4. Classification. The classification of a spouse member will be established by the club board. Because a spouse member is not an official member of the club for Rotary International purposes, this classification will not be counted toward the classification limits set forth in the RI Constitution.
5. RI Registration. A spouse member will not be listed as an official member of the Rotary club for RI purposes, but will be considered to be a member of the Rotary club.
6. Badges. A spouse member will be the same as any other regular member, but the name badge will not have a classification listed.
7. Votes and Quorum. For the purpose of general meetings and club matters, spouse members voting will be the same as any other regular member. Spouse members will be unable to vote on RI election voting.
8. Holding office. A spouse member cannot hold an officer or director position in the club, but can volunteer (and is encouraged) to chair or be a member of a committee.
9. Financial Obligations. The financial obligations of a spouse member include the club dues (\$150.00 per year) and meal/beverage costs when they attend a meeting. RI and District dues are not payable as the spousal member is not an official member for RI purposes.
10. Conversion to a regular membership: A spouse member may convert to a regular membership upon the election of the spouse member. Upon the conversion, 1) the spouse member's classification will be counted toward the classification limits set out in the club constitution; 2) the spouse member will be registered as an official member of RI; and 3) RI and District dues will be payable.
11. Bulleting and communication. Each spouse member will receive the club's newsletter and regular club communications the same as any other regular member.
12. The Rotarian. A spouse member will not receive the Rotarian as the spouse member is not an official member for RI purposes.
13. Termination. The process for terminating the membership of a spouse member is the same as any other regular club member.