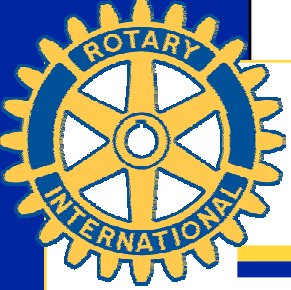


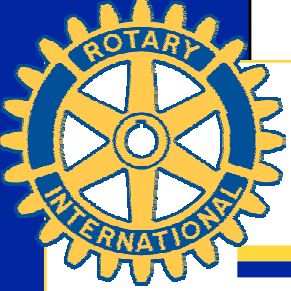
Attendance



Attendance Requirement

One of the responsibilities of membership in a Rotary club is fulfilling the minimum attendance requirement.



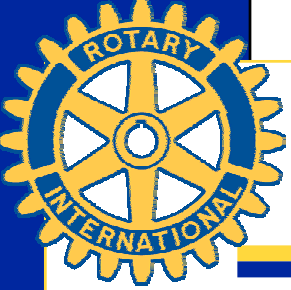


Purpose of Attendance

The purpose of the attendance requirement is to foster fellowship among club members.

Attending club meetings is your opportunity to make new friends and keep in touch with established friends.

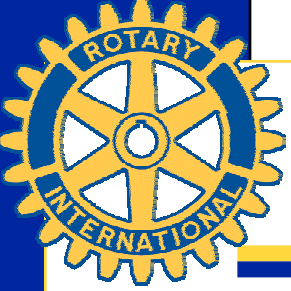
Meetings also keep you in touch with the current events of your club, district, and Rotary International.



Attendance Credit

As explained in the Standard Rotary Club Constitution, each member must meet the following conditions to satisfy the attendance requirement:

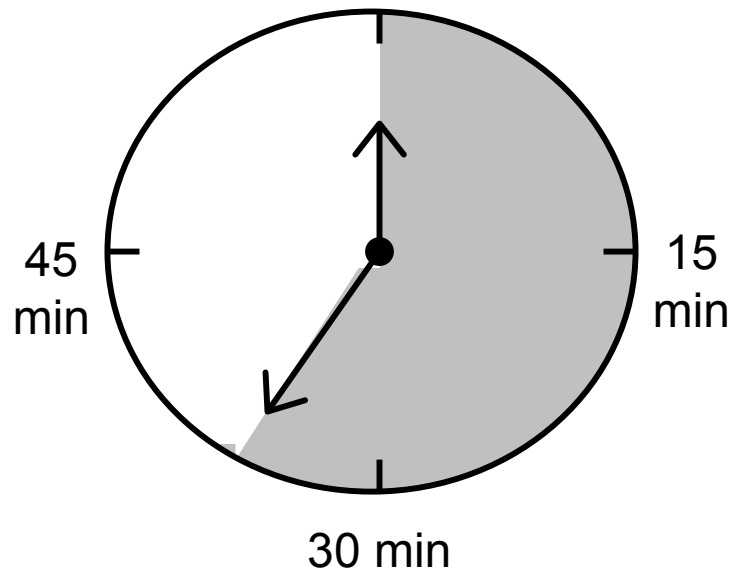
- Attend or make up at least 60% of regular Rotary club meetings in each half of the year.
- Attend at least 30% of their club's regular meetings in each half of the year.
- A member may not miss or fail to make up four consecutive meetings.

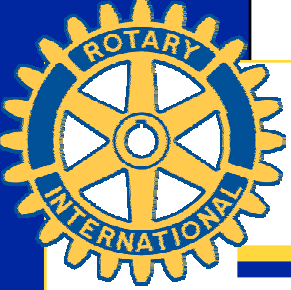


Attendance for a Meeting

You must be present for at least 60% of a club meeting for it to count towards the attendance requirement.

For example, at a 60 minute meeting, you would need to be present for at least 36 minutes.

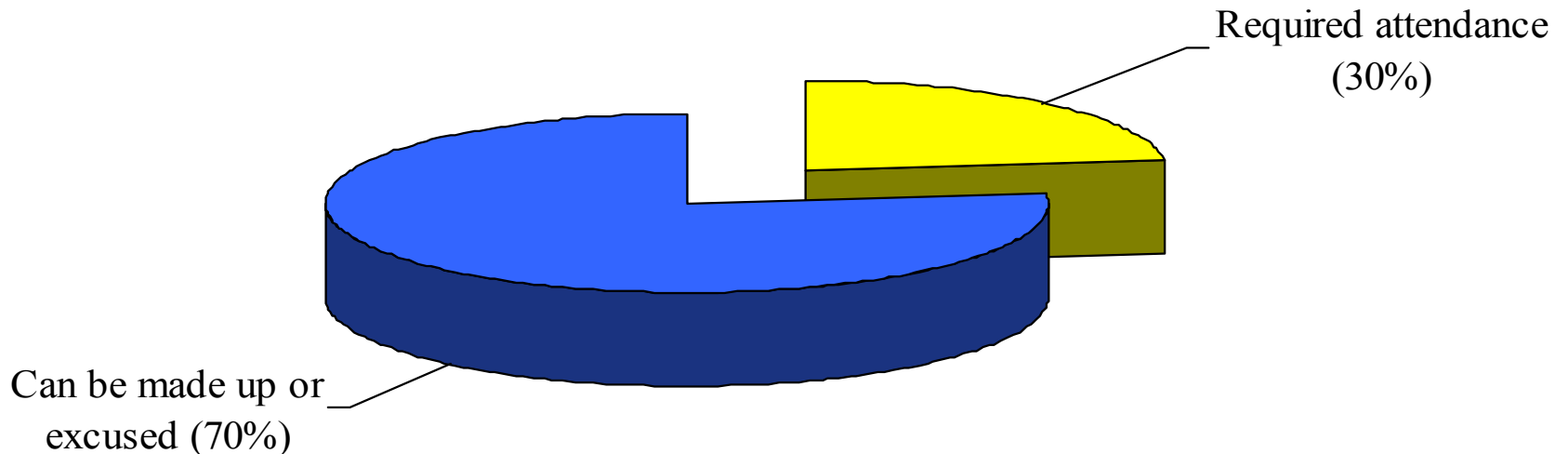


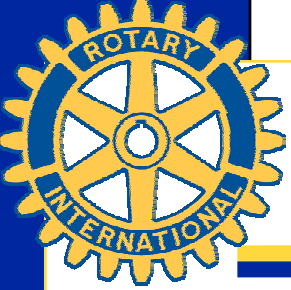


Attendance at Your Club

You also need to attend at least 30% of your own club's regular meetings in each half of the year.

For example, if your club holds 26 regular weekly meetings in a half year, you must attend at least 8 of these meetings.

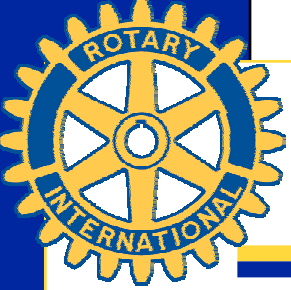




Make-ups

If you cannot attend a club meeting, there are many ways you can still receive attendance credit. According to Art. VIII, Section 1 of the Club Constitution, these include:

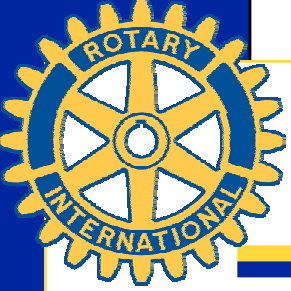
- Attending a meeting of another club
- Attending a meeting of a Rotaract or Interact club or Rotary Community Corps
- Attending certain district or RI meetings
- Participating in a club-sponsored event
- Attending a club board or service committee meeting with authorization of the club board



Make-up Credit

In order to get attendance credit, you must attend a make-up meeting or event within 14 days before or after the regular time of your missed meeting.

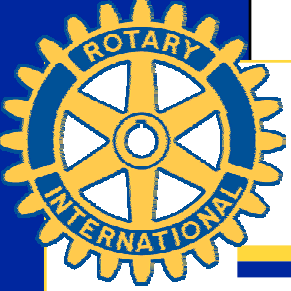




Meetings of Other Clubs

You can make up at clubs all around the world. Making up a meeting at another club is an opportunity to:

- Meet a new group of Rotarians.
- Observe how another club operates.
- Share information about your club.
- Make international contacts for club projects.



Finding Other Rotary Clubs

To locate a club for a make up meeting, you can use the [online club locator](#) or the *Official Directory*. Your club secretary should have a copy of the *Official Directory*.

Be sure to ask the club secretary to sign a card or note as proof of your attendance. If you do not have a signed document your club may not give you attendance credit for the visit.

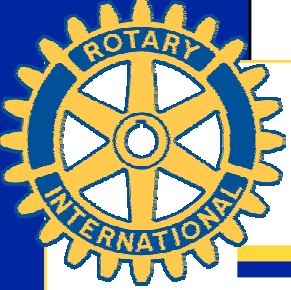


Rotaract, Interact, or RCC

Attending the meeting of a Rotaract club, Interact club, or Rotary Community Corps is a great way to explore these RI programs.

To locate these clubs in your area contact

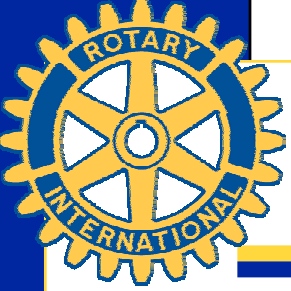
- Club leadership
- District Rotaract committee chair
- District Interact committee chair
- District Rotary Community Corps committee chair



District or RI Meetings

Attendance can be made up if you attend one of the following district or RI meetings:

- District conference
- District assembly
- District committee meeting (at request of the district governor)
- RI committee meeting
- RI Convention
- Rotary zone institute



Club-sponsored Events

Supporting the service work of your club by participating in one of the following club-sponsored events can also count as a make-up.

- Club service project
- Club-sponsored community event
- Other club meetings or events as authorized by the club board

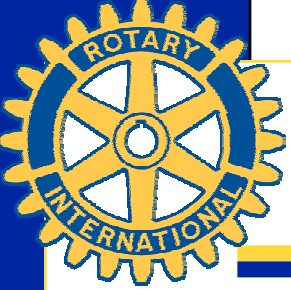
Check with your club secretary to see what other club events count as make-ups.



Board or Committee Meetings

Just as you can receive attendance credit for serving RI through district and RI committees, serving your club through holding a seat on the club board or in an assigned club committee can count as a make-up, if authorized by the board.



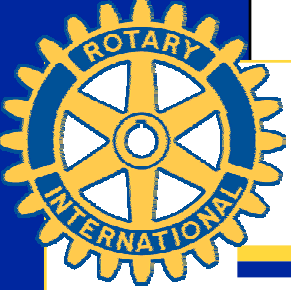


Excused Absences

Absences may be considered excused if

- The absence complies with the conditions and under circumstances approved by your club's board. The board may excuse an absence for reasons it considers to be good and sufficient.
- The sum of the member's years of membership and age equals 85 or more. That member can request the club's board make an exception to the attendance requirement. The member must notify the club secretary in writing regarding their desire to be excused from attendance.

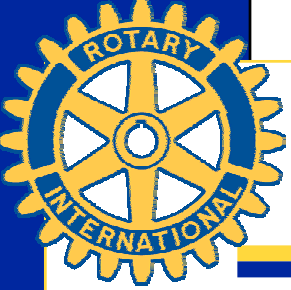
Note: An excused absence does not provide attendance credit.



Termination

Failure to meet the attendance requirement may result in termination of membership if the member fails to

- Attend *or make-up* at least 60% of club meetings in each half of the year
- Attend 30% of their own club's regular meetings in each half of the year
- Attend *or make-up* four consecutive meetings



Resources

The following resources are available on the RI Web site:

- *Manual of Procedure*
- *Rotary E-Learning Center*