

The Governor of the sponsor district shall, in writing notify the Governor of the recipient district of the intention to build an Optimist Club, and shall copy the club, District and International officials involved. Such activity shall be completed by September 30 of the current administrative year unless the sponsor club is reporting to Optimist International on a regular basis and has not less than 10 signed and paid members, in such an event a 30 day extension shall be granted.

The administration of the two involved Districts should coordinate efforts to welcome the new club into Optimist International and provide for the effective assimilation of the new club.

Forming a new club across district boundaries:

- When a potential club site sits on the dividing line of two or more districts, any of the districts involved may build a club at that site. The sponsoring club's district will receive credit for building the club and the club will be placed in that district. The other district(s) will be notified of the building process as a courtesy by a copy of the sponsor commitment form.
- All credits in the awards program relating to the organization of said club, and credit for any award earned by said new club will be credited to the sponsor club's zone and district for the balance of the year in which the club is organized.
- Each new administrative year the new club may be reverted back to the geographical district in which the club is located if both districts agree to said re-location.
- District dues of the new club shall be paid to the district in which the club is officially assigned. That district will assign the new club to one of its zones and that zone will receive the membership.
- If two clubs from two districts coordinate a build of the new club, both clubs, and zones will receive credit but district credit will remain with the initial sponsor club.

(Mar 1979; Dec 1984; Mar 1989; Dec 1990; Dec 1992; Mar 1994; Dec 1998; Dec 2002; Dec 2003; Dec 2004; Oct 2005; Dec 2007; Dec 2009)