



DIVISION OF A CLUB

Many Inner Wheel Clubs correspond to one Rotary Club, however since Convention 2012 new Clubs no longer need to be connected to a Rotary Club. New Clubs can be sponsored by Districts or existing Inner Wheel Clubs.

If a Club, for whatever reason, decides that it would be preferable to divide into two Clubs they should immediately seek advice from their District Executive Committee (if one exists) who will help them to proceed in the correct way.

Decision to divide

Advice and full information on procedure must be obtained from International Inner Wheel Headquarters or through the Association, National Council or District where applicable.

Procedure

Membership

When an Inner Wheel Club corresponds to one Rotary Club, all that is necessary is to ensure that there shall be sufficient potential members to guarantee the smooth working of two Clubs. If that is so, then a vote should be taken by **all** the Club members. If the majority agree to the division, then the District Executive Committee should be informed and should visit the Club to assist with the division. It should be remembered that women with no connection to Inner Wheel or Rotary can now be invited to join. Also past members, widows and members whose husbands have left Rotary might like to be invited to re-join.

After the decision is taken to divide, the new Clubs start on the following 1st July with newly-elected Officers.

Qualifications held in the original Club may be retained by members joining the new Club(s).

Regalia

Before existing funds are divided, decisions about distributing the existing regalia must be made and essential pieces of regalia must be purchased for each new Club. Other items may be allocated by mutual agreement.

Funds

The balance of Clubs funds, after all liabilities have been met, must be divided proportionately, according to the number of members in each new Club.

Minute Book and Records

Each new Club starts a new Minute Book and Records. Old Records and Minute Books must be held by the original Club and made available to the others.

Charter

Each new Club will receive a Charter. If the original Charter no longer applies it must be returned to the International Inner Wheel Headquarters through the National Governing Body concerned where one exists, or through the International Inner Wheel National Representative where applicable.

Nominations and Elections

Each new Club will nominate, and then elect by ballot, its Officers and Committee who will take office on 1st July.

If these elections take place during a meeting of the existing Club, only members of the new Club concerned can vote. The Club newly formed as a result of the division will have no Immediate Past President for the first year.

Dates of Meetings

It is recommended that the new Clubs meet on different days so that inter-Club visits can be made.