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1.040. Definitions

In the construction of this Code, the following definitions are to be observed unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

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- **Partner:** One of a couple of the same or opposite sex, with legally married or civil union status or in a mutually recognised relationship.
- **Presidential Initiative:** Added events, programmatic elements, projects, or messaging campaigns for Rotary and Rotaract members and participants suggested by the president.
- **Rotaract club:** A club of young adults.

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DECISION: The Board

3. approves changes to the Rotary titles and event names that include the word “training” as follows:

<u>Current Name</u>	<u>New Name</u>
Governor-elect training seminar (GETS)	Governor-elect learning seminar (GELS)
Governor-nominee training seminar (GNTS)	Governor-nominee learning seminar (GNLS)
GETS general trainer	GELS facilitator
GETS team leader	GELS team leader
International Assembly Training Facilitator	Rotary International Learning Facilitator
International Assembly seminar trainer	International Assembly seminar leader
Council trainer	Council on Legislation learning leader
District Team Training Seminar	District Team Learning Seminar

These changes were made in the following sections (with titles) of the RI Code of Policies:

- 17.030.2. District Committees
- 19.040.1. Leadership Learning Cycle
- 19.040.2. Governor-nominee Learning at Rotary Institutes
- 19.040.5. Zone Level Governor-elect Learning Seminar (GELS)
- 19.040.6. Governor-elect Mandatory Attendance at GELS
- 19.040.7. GELS Learning Team
- 19.040.8. Reimbursement of Expenses for GELS Team Members
- 19.040.9. Evaluation of GELS
- 19.040.12. Simultaneous Interpretation at Learning Events
- 20.070.6. Multidistrict PETS Guidelines
- 20.080.1. District Team Learning Seminar Purpose
- 20.080.2. District Team Learning Seminar Participants
- 20.080.3. District Team Learning Seminar Components
- 20.080.4. District Team Learning Seminar Time Frame
- 20.080.5. District Team Learning Seminar Leaders
- 29.010.3. Regional/District Trainings
- 29.020.4. Role Responsibilities (RCs)
- 29.030.4. Role Responsibilities (RPICs)
- 34.030.18. Compliance with RI Visual Brand Standards
- 57.110.10. Reserved Seating
- 58.030.2. Delineation of General Responsibilities
- 58.030.6.1. Selection Criteria for Assembly Moderator
- 58.030.7. Selection Criteria of Assembly Leadership Roles
- 58.040.4. Participants in Governor-Elect Sessions
- 58.060.1. International Assembly Attendance Expenses Paid by RI and TRF
- 59.030.3. Council on Legislation Learning Leader
- 59.080.3. Expenses of Observers, COL Participants, and Staff
- 60.010.6. Adjunct Meetings

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12.020. Sponsorship

1. A Rotaract club is established following the notification of the district Rotaract representative, endorsement approval of the governor, and upon certification and recognition by Rotary International. Its existence depends upon continued recognition by Rotary International.

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12.080. Rotaract District Meetings and Activities

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12.080.2. District Rotaract Representative

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4. The district Rotaract representative in conjunction with other district leaders, should:
 - a. Develop and distribute a district Rotaract newsletter
 - b. Support and implement leadership training
 - c. Conduct Rotaract promotion and extension activities throughout the district
 - d. Plan and implement service activities (if approved by three-fourths of the Rotaract clubs in the district)
 - e. Provide advice and support to Rotaract clubs in implementing their projects
 - f. Help coordinate joint Rotary-Rotaract activities in the district
 - g. Coordinate public relations activities for Rotaract at the district level
 - h. Plan and implement a training session for Rotaract club officers in the district
 - i. Assist in establishing new Rotaract clubs

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42.010.2. Criteria for Recognition

The general secretary recognizes Rotary Fellowships on behalf of the Board.

To be recognized as a fellowship, a group shall:

1. Have at least 25 members representing at least five countries.
2. Not duplicate the purposes of an existing fellowship, Rotary program, or Rotary Foundation program.
3. Not be utilized as a tactic to promote a service project or program.
4. Utilize a commonly understood name reflecting the fellowships' interest, vocation, or recreational activity.
5. Be led by an active Rotarian, Rotaractor, or Peace Fellow.
6. ~~Have governing documents (charter, constitution, bylaws, or similar documents), which shall be consistent with RI policy.~~ Adopt Rotary Fellowships Standard Bylaws as approved by the Rotary International Board.

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42.010.4. Governance

Rotary Fellowships must adhere to ~~their governing documents (charter, constitution, bylaws, or similar documents) which shall be consistent with RI Policy.~~ Standard bylaws as approved by the RI Board. Rotary Fellowships shall be governed by a board of directors with at least three members representing at least two countries.

All election and governance disputes shall be resolved amicably by the fellowship. Guidance from an independent third party may be sought to help resolve disputes. RI will not intervene.

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30.050.1. Removal of Past Officer Status

The grounds for such a determination may include, but are not limited to, a finding that the past officer has been involved in criminal activity, financial malfeasance, fraud, harassment, election interference, lawsuits against Rotary, its officers, districts, or clubs, has acted in a manner inconsistent with the Rotarian Code of Conduct, or has engaged in any other action or activity that the Board considers to be inconsistent with the standard of conduct the Board considers to be appropriate for a past officer.

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~~In the event that a former past officer of RI wishes his/her status as a past officer to be reinstated it will only be considered by the Board if new information is presented that factually demonstrates that the original decision was made in the absence of all the facts. The former past officer must present this information to whatever bodies at the club, district, or zone level made and documented the original request. If this is done to the satisfaction of the relevant bodies, the information shall be presented to the general secretary for verification. If the information is verified, the executive committee of the board will make the determination if the request should be presented to the full board for decision. Only requests that follow this procedure shall be considered by the Board. A director may not bring such a request to the board directly. The Board will consider a request to reinstate the past officer status of a Rotarian whose past officer status has been removed only if additional information has been presented to the general secretary that demonstrates that the past officer status should be reinstated.~~

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69.030.5. Failure to Report on Finances

The annual statement as described in RI Bylaws section 15.060.4. shall include all monies received by the governor. The governor shall also send the report of the

district finances to the general secretary within 12 months of the completion of the governor's year in office with proof that the report has been independently reviewed and provided to each club for discussion at a district meeting in accordance with RI Bylaws section 15.060.4.

Failure to comply with the requirement to distribute a complete financial statement to the clubs and the general secretary, and to present the statement for discussion and adoption at a district meeting within 12 months of the completion of the governor's year in office, shall result in the governor being ineligible to receive:

- any additional expense reimbursements from RI
- any RI volunteer appointment or assignment, including district elected or selected roles of assistant governor, vice-governor or interim governor, COL representative, district Rotary Foundation chair (DRFC), or the district treasurer.

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