

CRITERIA FOR USE OF THE LIONS NAME AND/OR EMBLEM

The International Board of Directors has adopted the following criteria for use of the Lions name and/or emblem. All criteria must be met before the international board will authorize any Lions controlled organization to use the Lions name and/or emblem in connection with its lawful operation.

When submitting an application for use of the Lions name and/or emblem, each organization must submit documentation demonstrating that the proposed organization meets the following criteria:

- a. The name of the proposed foundation shall:
 - (1) Include Lions in the name of a foundation;
 - (2) Include a community, city, district, state, geographic area or other local designation in the name of a foundation;
 - (3) Not conflict with or cause confusion with Lions Clubs International or Lions Clubs International Foundation; and
 - (4) Not include the word "Association" in the name of a foundation.

- b. The articles of incorporation, by-laws, and/or other governing documents of the proposed foundation must contain provisions which provide:
 - (1) At least a majority of its board of directors are Lions club members in good standing;
 - (2) Amendments to its governing documents shall be approved by the general membership of the foundation at a district convention or regular annual meeting;
 - (3) Membership consists of Lions clubs or club members in good standing;
 - (4) Proxy voting is not permitted; and
 - (5) Mandatory dues are not assessed against its member Lions clubs or club members.

- c. If the applying foundation is being sponsored by a single club or a group of three (3) or fewer clubs, the applying foundation must submit evidence that each of the sponsoring Lions clubs have approved the formation of the foundation. If the applying foundation is being sponsored by one or more districts (single, sub- or multiple), a group of four (4) or more clubs, or its name implies district level involvement, the applying foundation must submit evidence that the districts (single, sub- or multiple) have approved the formation of the foundation.

Purposes - The purposes of the applying foundation must further the purposes and enhance the image of the association. The applying foundation shall not engage in activities that may conflict with the activities, programs or existence of the association or Lions Clubs International Foundation. Other factors deemed relevant may be considered.

Annual Filing Requirements - The foundation must annually submit its current governing documents along with a list of its current officers to the Legal Division.

Use of Association Trademarks - Use of the association trademarks must be in accordance with the policies adopted from time to time by the International Board of Directors. The trademarks shall not be used on any item to be sold or otherwise available from the Club Supplies and Distribution Division and official licensees.

Revocable License - Foundations meeting the criteria established herein may be issued a revocable license to use the association trademarks. Such use shall continue only if the foundation continues to meet all the criteria set forth herein, comply with the annual filing requirements and maintain the continued support of Lions. Failure to follow these policies may result in the revocation of the license.