

YOUTH ACTIVITIES & TRANSPORTATION FAQs

Q. WHAT STEPS SHOULD A LOCAL CLUB DIRECTOR TAKE IF THEY HAVE A COMPLAINT OR CONCERN ABOUT CHILD ABUSE OR SEXUAL ABUSE OCCURRING IN OR WITH YOUTH/CLUB ACTIVITIES?

A. The allegations or concerns must be immediately reported to the authorities. For more information, visit http://adventistyouthministries.org/files/safety-guidelines/PDFs_Docs/FAQs-ReportingAbuseNeglect.pdf ; <http://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/abuse-prevention>

Q. IN WHAT ORDER SHOULD WE REPORT THE ALLEGATIONS OR INCIDENT?

A. First to the Authorities, then your Pastor, Local Conference Legal Counsel, and Parents when applies.

Q. WHO MUST REPORT?

A. Any person who has reasonable cause to believe that a child is suffering abuse or neglect should report such incident. Reporting abuse or neglect can protect a child and get help for a family. It may even save a child's life. In some states any person who suspects child abuse or neglect is required to report. To see how your state addresses this issue visit <https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/systemwide/laws-policies/statutes/manda/>

Q. WHAT DATA SHOULD BE COLLECTED?

A. When calling Child Protective Services (CPS) they may request the following information:

- Minor's name
- Name, address, and phone number of the minor's family/guardians (if available)
- Your name
- Any information that you may have regarding suspicious allegations

Q. IF REQUESTS ARE MADE WHO SHOULD RESPOND TO MEDIA INQUIRIES?

A. Inquiries should be addressed by the local conference administration, and legal counsel.

Q. IF A CLUB FROM ONE STATE CAMPS IN ANOTHER STATE DO THEY NEED ADDITIONAL INSURANCE?

A. No - please visit the following for detailed information:

<http://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/trips-transportation>

https://adventistrisk.org/Adventist_Risk/media/ARM/Resource%20Page/PDFs/English/FRM_Offsite_ActivityPlanning_NADENG.pdf

<https://adventistrisk.org/en-US/Insurance/Activities-Accident-Insurance>

<https://adventistrisk.org/en-US/Safety-Resources/Pathfinder-Safety>

Q. WHEN TRANSPORTING PATHFINDERS BY DRIVERS WHO ARE NOT A FAMILY MEMBER, WHAT LEVEL OF INSURANCE SHOULD THE DRIVERS HAVE WHEN USING PRIVATE VEHICLES?

A. Things that you will need to know:

- The automobile that they will be driving must be insured in compliance with local state laws.
 - For use of private vehicles, owner's auto insurance is primary.
 - Driver should be at least 21 years old.
 - Driver and adults accompanying minors should be background checked.
 - For more information visit: <http://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/trips-transportation> ; <http://adventistyouthministries.org/files/images/Safety-Guidelines-microsite/PDF/DRIVER-Certificate-Of-QUALIFICATION-CHURCH.pdf>
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Q. WHEN TRANSPORTING PATHFINDERS WHAT KIND OF DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED FOR DRIVERS OF PRIVATE VEHICLES?

A. Background screening - should be completed before the volunteer is allowed to serve. For more information visit <http://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/trips-transportation>; <http://adventistyouthministries.org/files/safety-guidelines/NAD-Guidelines-and-Procedures-For-Well-Trained-Staff.pdf>

Proof of insurance – the automobile that they will be driving must be insured in compliance with local state laws.

<http://adventistyouthministries.org/files/images/Safety-Guidelines-microsite/PDF/DRIVER-Certificate-Of-QUALIFICATION-CHURCH.pdf>

Driving Record - must have an acceptable driving record during the previous three years with no more than two traffic citations and no at-fault accidents while driving any vehicle.

IN ADDITION TO THE VEHICLE CHECK, CONSIDERATION NEEDS TO BE GIVEN TO WHOM IS DRIVING THE VEHICLE.

- Properly licensed for the vehicle being used
- Experience driving the assigned vehicle
- 21 years of age (minimum)

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https://adventistrisk.org/Adventist_Risk/media/ARM/Resource%20Page/PDFs/English/FRM_VehiclePre-TripInspection_NADENG.pdf?ext=.pdf

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Additional Child Protection Resources:

Child Protection & Supervision

<http://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/protection-supervision>

Trips and Transportation / Offsite Church Activities

<http://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/trips-transportation>

<https://adventistrisk.org/en-US/Safety-Resources/Pathfinder-Safety>

Abuse Prevention

<http://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/abuse-prevention>

Volunteers / NAD Guidelines and Procedures

<http://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/volunteers>

Verified Volunteer (Screening-Background checks for volunteers)

<http://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/volunteers>

Contact us if you have any questions

<http://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/safety-contact>