



# Youth Activities & Transportation FAQs

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[www.NADYouthSafety.org](http://www.NADYouthSafety.org)

**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/files/safety-guidelines/PDFs_Docs/FAQs-ReportingAbuseNeglect.pdf) ; <http://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/abuse-prevention>

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**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.

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**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/>

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**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

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

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

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**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://adventistyouthministries.org/files/safety-guidelines/PDFs\\_Docs/OffsiteActivityPlanning\\_NADENG.pdf](https://adventistyouthministries.org/files/safety-guidelines/PDFs_Docs/OffsiteActivityPlanning_NADENG.pdf)

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

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

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**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> ;

[https://adventistyouthministries.org/files/safety-guidelines/PDFs\\_Docs/DRIVER-Certificate-Of-QUALIFICATION-CHURCH.pdf](https://adventistyouthministries.org/files/safety-guidelines/PDFs_Docs/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: [https://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-](https://adventistyouthministries.org/safety-resources/volunteers)

[resources/volunteers](https://adventistyouthministries.org/files/safety-guidelines/NAD-Guidelines-and-Procedures-For-Well-Trained-Staff.pdf); <https://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.

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**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](https://adventistrisk.org/Adventist_Risk/media/ARM/Resource%20Page/PDFs/English/FRM_VehiclePre-TripInspection_NADENG.pdf)

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## **Additional Child Protection Resources:**

*Child Protection & Supervision*

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

*Chaperone Supervision in Tent Camping*

<https://adventistrisk.org/en-us/safety-resources/solutions-newsletter/2018/april/planning-for-success-safety-while-camping>

*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>

*Adventist Screening Verification (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>