

GENERAL GUIDELINES CONCERNING TRAVEL

This is a cultural exchange NOT a travel exchange and students should not go into the program with the expectation of touring. The hosts (District, club, family) are under no obligation to provide or permit it. However, some travel through the generosity of the host club, individual Rotarians, host families is done. The students must follow the travel rules of the host district and under no circumstances make his own travel arrangements and then expect the host/district club to go along with it. Breaking this rule may result in being returned home.

A. **Permission form required** 20 days in advance for **approval** of travel plans:

<i>Within D7390</i>	<i>Overnight with any missed school days **</i> Overnight stays not with a host family, Rotarian, school group, local church group, or friends of host family**
<i>Outside D7390</i>	Overnight with host family, Rotarian or involving any missed school days ** Overnight outside of USA - request requires copy of travel visa AND DS-2019 40 days prior to anticipated travel**
<i>Independent travel</i>	Maximum 3 days and 2 nights. Independent travel is rarely approved. It requires written approval from natural parents and the D7390 Permission form** <i>During vacations only if to visit a nearby relative</i>

No travel out of USA without 40 days notice and a multi-entry visa. Visa and DS-2019 must be included with permission request. Ultimate approval only from the District Chairman.

NOTE: Permission form is **always** required for travel with all persons other than Host Family adults or Rotarians **and** the form must be submitted **20 days prior** to travel.

B. **Permission form required** 20 days in advance for **information purposes** (emergency contact, knowledge of travel):

Within D7390	Overnight stays with no missed school
Outside D7390	Overnight stays with Host family or Rotarian with no missed school

C. **No permission form needed:**

Within D7390	Daily travel with Host family, school group, local church groups, Rotarians, car rides with students around town, or friends of host family.
Outside D7390	Day trips with Host family or Rotarian

**A student will not be permitted to miss more than 3 school days per trip or a total of 10 school days during the year for personal non-Rotary travel.

If situation is other than described above, always assume Permission form is required.