



Y's MENETTES INTERNATIONAL

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Chartering a Y's Menettes Club

There are many Y's Menettes Clubs around the world that enjoy being part of our wonderful organisation. We all enjoy the fellowship and friendship that belonging to a club involves.

Purpose: The purpose of a Y's Menettes Club is to offer members the fellowship of a Y's Menettes Club with the opportunity to provide assistance to Y's Men, the YMCA and the community, within the broader framework of Y's Men International.

Who can form a Y's Menettes Club:

1. When Y's Men move into a new locality/District/Region the establishment of Y's Menettes Clubs can be offered as a viable option for the involvement of women in Y's Men International.
2. If a 'men only' Y's Men's Club exist they may invite women to form a Y's Menettes Club.
3. A 'stand alone' Y's Menettes Club can be formed where there is no Y's Men's Club. This may be encouraged by a YMCA if there is no Y's Men's Club in the area.
4. Although, there is no minimum number of women needed to form a club, Y's Men's International have a minimum of 5 members to charter a Y's Men's Club, so I would see that the same applies to chartering Y's Menettes Clubs.

Why do we need to be Chartered?

Chartering a Club gives the Club official recognition by Y's Men's International that they are part of an International organisation. It allows the club to be registered on the official list of Y's Menettes Clubs. I am often asked how many Y's Menettes are there worldwide. I know there are many thousand but I can only go by official figures of those chartered clubs that are financial. So please stand up and be counted. By paying the International dues of just CHF2 per member per year clubs are able to vote on Y's Menettes issues including selecting our Y's Menettes International Project every two years, as well as supporting the costs of the Y's Menettes International Director, Project Co-ordinator and Sister Club Co-ordinator.

How much does it cost?

There is no cost to charter a Y's Menettes Club. As stated above the only requirement is to pay the annual fee of CHF2 per member to International. This can be sent to the Y's Men's Regional Treasurer to be forwarded with Y's Men's donations to International if the Y's Menettes do not have their own Regional Treasurer. (make sure the Club name and number of members are included.)

How to Charter a club?

There are details provided in the Y's Menettes Manual page 23 'Chartering a new Y's Menettes Club'. This can be found on the IHQ site. <http://ysmen.org/ysmenettes-resources>

Once the club is formed it is necessary to apply for the Charter. The form for this is on the same site see page 46. This form can be emailed to me at jencameron@ozcameron.com

For any new club the Y's Menettes Manual is an excellent reference for the history and explanation of Y's Menettes.