

Please include the following items when submitting your charter:		
☐ Petition for Charter/ Agreement to sponsor/Agreement to host		
☐ Acceptance of leadership/ Aktion Club Bylaws		
☐ Charter member roster		
☐ Fee payment Please send all pieces together. A charter cannot be processed until all items are received. Thank you.		

PETITION FOR CHARTER: Aktion Club

Aktion Club is a service organization for adults with disabilities. Aktion Club was originally developed by and is modeled after, **Kiwanis International**, a global network of men and women serving the children of the world. **The stated purpose** of Aktion Club is to provide adults with disabilities an opportunity to develop initiative and leadership, to provide experience in living and working together, to serve the community and to prepare for useful citizenship.

Proposed name of club: The club name must be des (Ex: Aktion Club of Boise.)	scriptive of the geographic or community setting.
	al or space to a box - recommended maximum of 30 characters)
Kiwanis District Name:	Kiwanis Division:
Key number (re-charters only): D	

This petition is intended to be the unifying document by which the Kiwanis sponsor, the organization supporting individuals with disabilities and members agree to meet the requirements of forming and operating an active Aktion Club. Proper completion and submission of this petition with club bylaws along with proper payment is the prerequisite for chartering by Kiwanis International.

Instructions for petitioning:

- 1. The Kiwanis sponsor of record must complete, in its entirety, page two of this petition. In the case of a cosponsor, the second Kiwanis sponsor of record must complete and attach a separate copy of page two.
- 2. Any participating agency must complete, in its entirety, page three of this petition.
- 3. The member leaders, duly elected by the Aktion Club members, must complete the Acceptance of Leadership form and the Standard Form for Aktion Club Bylaws and return with chartering paperwork.
- 4. The accompanying membership information form must be completed, listing all charter members by name, and providing accompanying membership information for each. Use additional sheets as necessary. (Note: Kiwanis International maintains these names and information for organizational use only. At no time will Kiwanis International provide membership list to outside organizations.)
- 5. Upon completion of the petition with club bylaws, select one of the charter options below. Mail completed petition for charter with club bylaws with new club fee payment check or money order to: Kiwanis International, ATTN: Service Leadership Programs Chartering, 3636 Woodview Trace, Indianapolis, Indiana 46268, USA. Contact Kiwanis International with any questions at 1-800-KIWANIS, or slpcharter@kiwanis.org.
- 6. Allow at least 4 to 6 weeks for processing and return of official charter certificate and materials.

Tier A Nation (All US, Canada and some Caribbean countries.) To pay by credit card, contact Kwan Pinson at (317) 217-6125.

- US\$400 (charter kit includes gavel/gavel block, cards, certificates, pins and additional resources.)
- Please visit the Aktion Club store online at store.kiwanis.org if you wish to purchase a traditional gong, banner or a personalized gavel band.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Key #: District: Membership:

AGREEMENT TO SPONSOR AN AKTION CLUB: A sponsoring organization is not required, but is highly encouraged. If there is no sponsoring organization, then the host site agrees to accept this additional role.

<u>For Kiwani</u>	s Clubs: Kiwanis Club of		
Key numbe	r: District Name	Kiwanis Division#:	
	Organizations:	Telephone	
Organizano	ii ivame.		
Address:			
Contact Na	ne:	Email:	
Aktion Clu		reby petitions that Kiwanis International issue a new club charter of this petition. The Kiwanis club/sponsoring organization agree orship for the Aktion Club:	
 Ensu Main 	re the advisor(s) attends every mee	nization budget to support the activities of the club.	
	re all dues and fees are paid.		
7. Hold	re club officers receive proper train a planning session involving the lo on Club officers.	ng following election. adership of the Kiwanis club/sponsoring organization and the	
orgai	nization.	lving the membership of the Aktion Club and the Kiwanis club/sp	onsoring
		wanis/sponsoring organization meetings. ed training opportunities beyond the club level.	
Aktion Clu	b and designate one member as ar	rees to appoint an active committee of adult volunteers to supp Advisor to the Aktion Club (print below):	
	lvisors to any sponsored Service and verified by Kiwanis Internation	Leadership Program will be required to have a criminal back	kground chec
	•	Member # (if a Kiwanian)	
Mailing Ad	dress (No PO Boxes)		
Email Addr	ess	TelephoneFax	
signature of the spo if the hos revoke th	s affixed below indicate the accepta insor to provide continuing suppor is site shall request, in writing, that the e charter. In such instance, the spor	bood by all members of the Kiwanis Club or sponsoring organization are of responsibilities of sponsorship, and further indicates the conforthe Aktion Club, its members, and the host site. It also is under the charter be relinquished, Kiwanis International has the right to casoring organization shall forfeit any rights or claim to the Aktion Club mailed to the Kiwanis club advisor at the address shown ab	nmitment erstood that ancel or Club charter.
Signatu	res of Kiwanis club officers:		
Signature		Signature Signature Kiwanis Club/Sponsoring Organization	
	Kiwanis Club/Sponsoring Organization	n President Kiwanis Club/Sponsoring Organization	ı Secretary
Print nam	ıe	Print name	
Date		Date	

AGREEMENT TO HOST AN AKTION CLUB

By the supporting agency (or community-based organization*)

Agency/Organization Name	Telephone
Address (No P.O.Boxes)	
Website	Fax
If community based, what type of community organi	ization is co-sponsoring:
☐ Day Program ☐ Group Home ☐ Comm	unity Site Other:
If community based, location of meetings: same	as mailing address
Organization information:	
Number of charter members:	
	wanis International issue a new club charter for an Aktion Club of record shown herein. The agency/organization agrees to port the Aktion Club:
• ,	the agency administration, to advise and counsel the Aktion Club, attend abides by the regulations of the organization and all other local,
Advisor:	Email:
Telephone:	Fax:
2. Ensure the Aktion Club conducts service-related p	rojects and activities within the agency/organization and community.
*Community-based Club	
· ,	n of an Aktion Club, a community-based organization with facilities for e substituted in place of the agency. The role of club advisor must be filled ble party.
the organization administration, and further indicate the Aktion Club and its members. It also is understoo be relinquished, Kiwanis International has the right to	of responsibilities set forth in the terms of sponsorship (shown above) by the commitment of the organization to provide continuing support for od that, at such time the organization requests, in writing, that the charter to cancel or revoke the charter. In the case that the Kiwanis sponsor shall d, Kiwanis International may choose to seek new Kiwanis sponsorship for
Signatures of officials:	
SignatureOrganization administrator	SignatureClub Advisor
Print name	Print name
Date	Date

Acceptance of Leadership

By the Aktion Club Officers

We, the elected officers of the Atkion Club, agree to accept and uphold the following items as leaders of Aktion Club.

Motto: "Development has no disability"

Objects:

- **To develop** initiative and leadership
- To provide experience in living and working together
- **To serve** the community.
- **To prepare** for useful citizenship.
- **To accept and promote** the following Kiwanis ideals:
 - To give primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than the material values of life.
 - To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
 - To promote the adoption and application of higher social, business and professional standards
 - To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship.
 - To provide a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render unselfish service, and to build better communities.
 - To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism, which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.

We also certify the club membership has adopted the Standard Form for Club Bylaws, and that we will, to the best of our abilities, operate this club within the guidelines established within these bylaws. We agree to abide by organizational regulations and local, state/provincial and federal laws. We commit ourselves to the creation of service and leadership opportunities with this community.

Signature of Aktion Club officers:

Officer	Print Name	Signature
President		
Vice-President		
Secretary		
Treasurer		

Standard Form for Aktion Club Bylaws

<u> Article 1 - Na</u>	<u>me</u>
Section 1.	The name of this organization shall be the Aktion Club of
	(Name of organization)
Article 2 - Org	ganization
Section 1.	Its form of organization, its ideals and its purposes shall be similar to the Kiwanis Club of
	(Kiwanis club sponsor)
Section 2.	It shall be sponsored by, but not part of the Kiwanis Club of
	The Kiwanis club assumes all chartering and sustaining costs.
Article 3 - Ob	iectives and Activities
Section 1.	The objectives of the Aktion Club shall be:
	To provide opportunities for working together in service to the community;
	To develop leadership potential;
	To foster development of a strong, moral character; and
	To encourage loyalty to community and nation.
Section 2.	The activities of the Aktion Club shall be in accordance with its objectives and pledge.
Article 4 - Me	otto, Pledge and Core Values
Section 1.	The motto of Aktion Club shall be: "Development has no disability."
Section 2.	The Aktion Club Pledge is: "I pledge on my honor to uphold the objects of Aktion Club; to better my
	community, my county and myself; to help those in need, and to encourage everyone to get along."
Section 3.	The Core Values are: Character Building, Leadership, Inclusiveness and Caring.
Article 5 - Me	<u>mbership</u>
Section 1.	Members shall be from
	(Name of agency or organization)
Section 2.	Adults who are interested in service, have leadership potential and are of good character shall be
	eligible for membership. All Aktion Club members must be certified by the sponsoring Kiwanis club
	and /or the co-sponsoring agency administrator.
Section 3.	The Board of Directors shall have the power to suspend or expel a member for conduct unbecoming of a
	member. Such actions shall be by a two-thirds (2/3) vote and shall be subject to review and approval by the Kiwanis advisor(s) and agency coordinator (if applicable).
Section 4.	If an agency serving adults with disabilities is assisting with the Aktion Club, the sponsoring Kiwanis
•	Committee shall ask the agency coordinator(s) to recommend a list of adults interested in participating
	in the Aktion Club. Those adults who indicate a desire to become members and to comply with the
	provisions of these bylaws may join the Aktion Club.

The agency administrator shall appoint an agency coordinator who can assist the Kiwanis club in counseling the officers and members of the Aktion Club in their activities. The agency coordinator also will act as liaison with the sponsoring Kiwanis club. The agency coordinator is encouraged to enlist an assistant coordinator with the help of the agency administrator.

Section 5. New members shall be selected by the Aktion Club Board of Directors in cooperation with the Kiwanis advisor(s) and agency advisor.

Article 6 - Officers and Board of Directors

- **Section 1.** Officers of this Aktion Club shall be a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. They shall serve for one (1) year, or until their successors are elected.
- **Section 2.** Each officer shall be a member in good standing. No other limitations or restrictions shall be placed on these officers.
- **Section 3.** The duties of the officers shall be similar to those performed by the officers of the sponsoring Kiwanis club.
- **Section 4.** There shall be a Board of Directors, composed of the above officers and four (4) directors to be elected from the club's membership.
- Section 5. The Board of Directors shall approve service projects, social activities, coordinate committee assignments and efforts, discipline members, and perform such other duties as shall be referred to it by the club in compliance with these Bylaws. The Kiwanis advisor shall counsel the Board of Directors in its actions.
- Section 6. All action by the club and the Board of Directors shall be subject to the approval of the Kiwanis advisor and, if applicable, the co-sponsoring agency administrator. The Board of Directors shall meet monthly or bi-monthly at a time and place selected by the Board of Directors.

Article 7 - Election of Officers and Directors

- **Section 1**. Election of new officers (president, vice president, secretary and treasurer) should be held during the spring. The new officers should assume their responsibilities on October 1 and serve a term of one (1) year.
- Section 2. Election of Directors (four people from the club's membership) shall be held during the spring. The directors should assume their responsibilities on October 1st and serve a two (2) year term. To ensure continuity on the Board of Directors, one and two year terms are required in the initial election.

Article 8 - Meetings

Section 1. The club shall hold its meetings at a time and place selected by the Board of Directors, with the approval of the Kiwanis advisor(s) and if applicable, the co-sponsoring agency director. It is recommended that it meet twice a month, but is not a requirement.

Article 9 - Committees

- **Section 1**. This Aktion Club shall establish the necessary administrative and service committees to fulfill its local needs.
- **Section 2**. The following standing committees should be appointed:

- a. Kiwanis-Aktion Club Relations Committee
- **b.** Service Projects Committee
- c. Public Relations Committee

Article 10 - Annual Dues

Section 1. The annual dues for membership shall be \$8 per member. Those dues should include the annual membership fee to be paid to Kiwanis International. (Refer to the www.aktionclub.org for current membership fees.) Local club dues should not exceed the amount of the membership fee paid to Kiwanis International.

Article 11 - Amendments

- **Section 1**. Amendments to these Bylaws shall be adopted by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors present at any regular meeting.
- Section 2. These Bylaws and all amendments or additions thereto shall not become effective until the sponsoring Kiwanis Committee has been advised and the approval of the co-sponsoring agency's administration has been secured.

These Bylaws were adopted and approved on:			
	Date		
Kiwanis Advisor Signature	Printed name	_	
Agency coordinator signature	Printed name		

CHARTER MEMBERS PLEASE PRINT / Provide all information requested / Attach additional sheets if necessary PRESIDENT Name Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY) E-mail address VICE-PRESIDENT Name Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY) Gender E-mail address SECRETARY Name Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY) Gender E-mail address TREASURER Name Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY) Gender E-mail address Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY) Name Gender E-mail address Name Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY) Gender E-mail address

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