



CONTRACT OF MEMBERSHIP

Roscommon County Youth Theatre is dedicated to the development and promotion of youth theatre through training, production and access, and encourages a greater understanding of the potential of drama as a medium for learning and as a means of expression for young people.

The methods and code of practice of RCYT are based on the concepts of opportunity, empowerment, access and artistic excellence. Members are provided with a programme of the highest quality which as well as being of immense benefit in terms of personal development are also a basis for any young person to pursue a career in theatre, film or any of the performing arts.

Participation in RCYT activities is a special opportunity, and each person involved is entitled to a positive experience. As part of this philosophy, all members are required to adhere to the standards listed below.

1. ATTENDANCE

- Members must attend all workshops unless they have the Director's permission to be absent.
- Members must be on time for workshops, rehearsals, performances and other scheduled activities.
- If a member is unable to attend a workshop, he/she must contact the Director no later than the two days before the scheduled activity. (The previous Friday for a standard Saturday workshop.)
- Any member absent without the approval of the Director for two consecutive workshops or any three workshops in one term, will have their membership of RCYT revoked and fees forfeited.
- Habitual absenteeism (four or more workshops in one term) with or without the approval of the Director will result in membership of RCYT being revoked and fees forfeited.
- Members must remain in approved areas while on RCYT premises. Members should not leave the premises at any time during workshops, rehearsals or performances, unless permission to do so has been given by RCYT staff.
- Attendance will be taken into consideration when casting for RCYT productions and where numbers of places available for RCYT activities/tours/visits are limited.

2. MEDICAL

With regard to medical conditions and contact information, it is the responsibility of each member to ensure that they have completed this form honestly and in full. Should a member wish to alter this information at any time, they can do so in writing to roscommoncoyt@gmail.com

3. SAFETY

Each member should acquaint him/herself with the emergency procedures and assembly points of any premises used by RCYT. In the event of a fire or other emergency, members should go directly to the emergency assembly point and must not leave the assembly point until he/she has been accounted for.

RCYT are not responsible for members outside of workshop hours. Members are insured strictly for the duration of workshops, rehearsals and performances. Members are not covered for insurance once they leave an RCYT activity and no responsibility will be taken for participants outside of RCYT activities.

4. SMOKING

RCYT conducts a no-smoking policy. This applies to all members and leaders during workshops or other RCYT activities, or while on any premises used by RCYT.

5. ALCOHOL

The consumption of alcohol at RCYT activities is not tolerated, nor should alcohol be brought onto the premises. This also applies for away trips. Additionally, under-age members are not allowed to consume alcohol at any time during excursions with RCYT.

6. DRUGS

In accordance with the law, the possession of illegal drugs is strictly prohibited by RCYT. Any member found in possession of illegal drugs will have their membership of RCYT revoked immediately.

7. RCYT MEMBERS RIGHTS Each member has the right to -

- Fully participate in the activities and to become involved in the democratic decision-making processes of Roscommon County Youth Theatre.
- Be informed of the activities and rules of Roscommon County Youth Theatre.
- Voice their needs or concerns to responsible personnel in Roscommon County Youth Theatre.
- A considered response in the event of a personal grievance.
- Express his/her views freely, always having respect for others.
- Feel safe at all times.
- Be protected from any bullying, violence or anti-social behaviour from others.
- Have his/her personal space and privacy respected.
- Not be subjected to inappropriate behaviour, physical, verbal or otherwise by another member or by a leader/facilitator/director.
- Have his/her personal property respected at all times.

8. RCYT MEMBERS CHARTER Each member is expected to -

- Respect RCYT leaders and abide by any reasonable requests they may make.
- Assist leaders in workshop preparation and clean-up.
- Respect other member's personal property.
- Be sensible in their approach to their own safety and that of other members.
- Have mobile phones powered off during RCYT activities.
- See other member's point of view.
- Share space equally.
- Avoid, or think before, making personal comments or accusations.
- Share his/her opinions without insisting they are right.
- Tolerate other member's differences and respect their beliefs.
- Include everyone.
- Encourage cooperation and avoid conflict.
- Listen, learn, tolerate and take part.
- Be open and enthusiastic.

9. NON COMPLIANCE WITH CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

In the case of a member not complying with RCYT conditions of membership the procedure is as follows:

1. The facilitator will discuss the issue with the participant and if a breach of the conditions is established, this will be considered a first verbal warning.
2. If there is no subsequent resolve, the issue will be brought to the attention of the board of RCYT and a Parent/Guardian, and a second warning, in writing, will be issued to the participant.
3. Failing any subsequent resolve, the issue will be explained to the participant and they will be advised in writing of their dismissal from the Youth Theatre.

In the case where a member commits a serious infringement of the RCYT conditions of membership, the issue will be brought to the attention of the board of RCYT and a Parent/Guardian and may result in the immediate suspension or dismissal of the member.

By completing and signing this Contract of Membership I agree to have read, understand, observe and be bound by these rules and to have completed this form to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name of Member		
Gender		
Date of Birth & Age		
Members mobile number		
Members email address		
Home Address		
School Name & Year		
Parent/Guardian Name		
Parent's Email Address		
Parent/Guardian Mobile		
Member's Mobile		
Member's Email (if used)		
Does the member have any medical issues/allergies that RCYT should be aware of? This information is treated in the strictest confidence. If yes, please give details.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
I allow RCYT to take photographs/video of my son/daughter/ward as a record.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
I allow the organisers of RCYT to use photographs of my son/daughter/ward in press coverage of events associated with RCYT and to promote RCYT activities.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Signature of Member		
Signature of Parent/Guardian		
Date		

Please retain one copy of this form for your information and return the other completed form along with proof of payment made payable to Roscommon County Council for this term's membership fees of €100 to Catherine Sheridan at roscommoncoyt.com

For office use only New Member Reenrolment

Fees included



Form complete

