



Explanation of CISV International Categories of Association Membership

This document sets out the Category Classification and minimum standards for Member Associations of CISV International. The List of current CISV Association Members is found in Info File C-15. The Chapter Development area is responsible for encouraging the development of Promotional Associations (PA) and for providing support if needed to National Associations (NA), particularly new ones. It is expected that all NAs/PAs will seek to grow and move up the category system at an appropriate pace.

► At each step, if NAs/PAs cease being able to meet the standards of their category, the Chapter Development Regional Delivery Team (“Team”) for the relevant region will offer support. If, after at least one year of support, the Team concludes that the NA/PA is unable to achieve the necessary goals, the Regional Coordinator of the Team will work with the Chapter Development Manager to recommend to the Chapter Development Committee (“Committee”) that the NA/PA be downgraded to the appropriate category to reflect its actual status. Upon review, the Committee will recommend specific actions to the Governing Board, which is responsible for making decisions on membership status, in line with membership criteria (below) previously approved by the Members. ◀

<p>Category F PAs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Have a contact person for CISV who keeps communication with the Team. - Are bringing together a group of people interested in forming a chapter/PA - Are learning about CISV and how to set up a chapter/PA - Are considering the financial need of setting up a chapter - Do not receive programme invitations, but may be invited to Regional Training Forums (RTF) 	<p>► When the Team feels there is sufficient understanding of CISV goals, structure and the nature and responsibilities of forming a CISV association, it may recommend that this PA move to Category E. ◀</p>
<p>Category E PAs:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work with the Team - Appoint a person in charge of all communications. - Have involved members or families. - Start sending participants to programmes with the permission of the Team and Educational Programmes Regional Delivery Team. - Create a board or organizing committee - May start hosting Mosaic programmes with the approval of the Educational Programmes Regional Delivery Team. - Have developed a financial plan to ensure they can support CISV participation and setting up a chapter. 	<p>► Once these standards are achieved, the Team may recommend that this PA move to Category D status.</p> <p>Suggested timeframe – 3 years. ◀</p>
<p>Category D PAs:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work with the Team - Send participants to a minimum of 3 different international programmes - Organize and consolidate a Junior Branch - May host Mosaic programmes with permission from Educational Programmes Regional Delivery Team. 	<p>► Once these standards are achieved, the Team may recommend that this PA move to Category B NA status.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - May host Interchange programmes with permission from Educational Programmes Regional Delivery Team. - May host, only in cooperation with a buddy NA, other International programmes with the permission of the Team and the Educational Programmes Regional Delivery Team. - Register with appropriate Government Authority and/or establish an organizational structure which allows CISV to operate in that country, in accordance with its laws - Draft and adopt a written constitution - Have a list of Officers/Board Members and have involved at least 10 members or families. - Have a satisfactory statements of finances/accounts - Are in good financial standing with CISV International 	<p>NA status is decided by the CISV International Governing Board.</p> <p>Suggested timeframe – 3 years.</p>
Category C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - C is reserved for affiliates who cannot legally have an independent CISV Association in their nation 	
Category B NAs:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Full voting member status - Receive some Team support, but are able to operate almost independently of the Team - Send participants to at least 3 different programmes in addition to Mosaic each year - Host an International programme every year (with an International programme other than Mosaic at least every 2 or 3 years). - Send representatives to official regional and international meetings. 	<p>► Once these standards are achieved, the Team may recommend that this NA move to Category A status.</p> <p>Suggested timeframe – 3 years.</p>
Category A NAs:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maintain or increase the level of participation and hosting of Category B NA (hosting an International Programme other than Mosaic at least every two years). They should be able to do so independently, without The Team’s assistance but can call upon the Team support if needed. 	

Note. Category G consists of Nations with delegates and/or past Affiliation; but which are no longer active and have no current correspondence or invitations.