

Mother Club Manual



Y'S MEN INTERNATIONAL

Region Denmark



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Mother clubs in general.

The concept of a mother club is an international concept of Y's Men. The concept stands for the fact that a **mother club** is the club that has been involved from the beginning of the new club's existence. Maybe the club has even taken the initiative to start the new club. In any case, it is **the mother club** that is listed on the new club's charter certificate.

In the Region of Denmark, the term stands for two situations: A **mother club** to a club in Denmark or a **mother club** to a club within Central and Eastern Europe.

The two situations are described more detailed below:

Mother clubs in DK.

When a new club is to be chartered in Denmark, it is a condition that there is another Y's Men's Club behind it.

Starting a new club can sometimes be an elongated affair, but **the mother club** is involved all the way.

The task of the **mother club** is that the new club is informed about and trained in what it means to be a Y's Men's Club. Not that the new club is necessarily a replica of **the mother club**, but that the new club incorporates mandatory Y's Men's requirements into its existence. It is **the mother club's** job to follow the new club very closely right up to the chartering. It is the task to be responsible for the charter party program, in order to ensure that the admission becomes dignified and festive. **The mother club** also deals with the completion and signatures of various member lists and documents.



Financially, it is also **the mother club's** job to invest in emblems for the members of the new club. It has also become a tradition of **the mother club** to give the new club a gift. This is most often of an economic nature. An adequate economy is notoriously important for the existence of a new club. After chartering, the task of **the mother club** has finished. However, you will always be **the mother club**. And this will be listed in the address book.

A mother club for a club in Central and Eastern Europe.

When a new Y's Men's Club is started in Central and Eastern Europe, it is most often at the initiative of a local club or perhaps the local YMCA, which is addressed to the local district or to the CEE Committee in Denmark.

The CEE Committee discusses the current approach with the management of Region Denmark.

The CEE Committee then takes the initiative to set up the organization for the establishment of the new club. A steering committee makes sure that everything goes according to the rules. In the steering committee sit representatives from the different levels of our movement. A Charter Committee shall be set up locally. Both the steering committee and the Charter Committee have representatives of the new club and of the local promoters. From Denmark, a member of the CEE Committee and representatives from the Danish **mother club** participate. They start their period of function at this time.

If there are already a minimum of 5 people on the list of new members, training of the new members may begin. It is under the responsibility of the steering committee. The new club starts holding regular meetings. On the schedule of these meetings is initially things related only to the Y's Men movement. You start shaping the new club. As far as possible, some of these meetings will be attended by representatives of **the mother club**. This builds up the necessary basic knowledge of the Y's Men movement at the future club. The future chartering will also be considered, but otherwise this task will be left to the Charter Committee. As mentioned above, the mother club is represented on both committees.

So representatives from **the mother club** have to expect a number of trips to the new club's home country. Of course, **the mother club** is also firmly represented at the chartering feast itself.

After the club is established, it is the job of **the mother club** to be in close contact with the new club. Communication to the new club may be handled by the World Outlook Committee. It is hoped that **the mother club** is in every way a good sparring partner for the new club and at least so until the new club has found its working basis. In connection with the chartering Region Denmark pays the cost of the charter fee, which is paid to the International Office. The cost of needles will be borne by the CEE Committee, which will also contribute to public relations expenditure relating to the new club.

The charter party is generally covered by the participants. It is common for **the mother club** to welcome the new club with a "gift of birth", which often is a gift of money.

As mentioned earlier, it is expected that a number of members from **the mother club** will participate in the chartering itself.

It would be appropriate for **the mother club** to occasionally visit the new Y's Men's Club. When revisiting Denmark, it will be natural for **the mother club** to create a separate program in Denmark for their guests.

Some of these guests receive the trip paid for by the CEE Committee, as they are invited as delegates. Other guests have to pay for the trips themselves.

It would be a good idea if, as mentioned earlier, a committee was set up within **the mother club** to contact the newly chartered club, so that brotherhood is maintained and frequently contact is very important.

Financially there are no official obligations, but you can make a big difference in the new club, if you provide an annual amount in the order of DKK 5.000 to 10.000, which the club can use for projects or directly for the running of the club.

An agreement should be made between **the mother club** and the new Y's Men's Club. Here it can be agreed what the cooperation will consist of and what financial obligations **the mother club** assumes and for how long time.

As a mother club, it is natural later also to become a Brother Club.

After a few years, it is a good idea to change status from only being a **mother club** to also becoming a **Brother Club (friendship club)**. This is to ensure continuity and registration of the connection. Y's Men International has no central registration of **mother clubs**, but there is a register of **Brother Clubs**. When you become a **Brother Club**, it is important that you draw up a **Brother Club** certificate so that the two clubs become part of the Y's Men International's register of **Brother Clubs**, but also to confirm the future basis for the two **Brother Clubs**.

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