

Credit Policy

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To insure that all districts and clubs of Optimist International meet their financial obligations and that all outstanding indebtedness (accounts receivable) remain at an acceptable level, as determined by Optimist International, the following credit policy has been established.

I. Terms and Conditions:

Dues, Fees, Insurance, and Other Indebtedness

- (1) All invoices are due on receipt.
- (2) All clubs are subject to the terms and conditions as established in the Bylaws under Article V, Section 8 which is: "Any club more than 60 days in arrears for any indebtedness to Optimist International or to the district of which it is a part, shall be considered not to be in good standing and may have its charter revoked by action of the International Board of Directors. The board of directors may restore such a club to good standing upon payment of its indebtedness."

II. Credit Limits:

Dues, Fees, Insurance, and Other Indebtedness

There are no specific dollar credit limits for dues and fees. All clubs shall continue to be billed on a quarterly basis until suspension and/or revocation has occurred.

III. Notifications:

- (1) Monthly statements will be mailed to the Secretary/Treasurer or Treasurer of Clubs with unpaid balances.
- (2) Notices will be sent by the Accounting Department to the president of clubs when unpaid balances become 45 days, 75 days, and 105 days old.
- (3) When the executive director determines that any balance due from a revoked or disbanded club is uncollectible, it shall be written off to Loss on Uncollectible Accounts.
- (4) For awards purposes all clubs in the zone (Lt. Governors) or in the district (Governors) must have paid their financial obligations to Optimist International postmarked no later than September 30. Financial obligations shall include all dues, fees, premiums, and supplies invoiced on or before July 31 of each year.
- (5) Districts' Responsibility:
 - (a) District governors receive monthly accounts receivable aging schedules for clubs. They are requested to assist the International office in the collection of past due club accounts.
 - (b) Clubs 120 days in arrears shall be revoked into the year in which the debt was incurred.

(March 1989; March 1991; June 1992; July 1994; Dec 1994; March 1995; Dec 2017; Dec 2020)