Optimist International shall supply charters to sponsoring Optimist Clubs for issuance to the following JOOI Clubs:

- 1. Alpha Clubs: Membership is open to boys and girls ages 6 to 9.
- 2. Junior Clubs: Membership is open to boys and girls ages 10 to 13.
- 3. Octagon Clubs: Membership is open to boys and girls ages 14 to 18.

Charters will be supplied and issuance approved if the following requirements are fulfilled:

- a. Title to all property, real or personal, provided for the use and benefit of the JOOI Club, shall remain with the sponsoring Optimist Club or Optimist International.
- b. Membership in such groups shall carry with it the obligation to pay periodic dues to be retained in the group's treasury.

A one time \$50 charter fee and an annual \$60 renewal fee must be paid to Optimist International by all sponsoring Optimist Clubs or sponsoring entity.

JOOI Clubs are obligated to pay an annual \$8 per member Membership fee for Clubs in Tier 1 countries, \$5.91 (U.S.) per Club member Membership fee for Clubs in Tier 2 countries, and \$4.17 (U.S.) per Club member Membership fee for Clubs in Tier 3 countries) to Optimist International, with a fee cap of \$400 per club (50 members). Tier 1 shall be defined as High Income Economies; Tier 2 shall be defined as Upper Middle Income Economies; Tier 3 shall be defined as Lower Middle and Low Income Economies. The terms High Income Economies, Upper Middle Income Economies and Low Middle and Lower Income Economies shall have the definitions established from time to time by the World Bank's published statistics. Optimist International will disburse a portion of these fees (\$1 per member) to the district secretary-treasurer, less members above the fee cap and less members from clubs with past due fees, when the District meets the following requirements:

- a. Conduct an annual JOOI Clubs Conference, where a district JOOI governor and secretary/treasurer are elected.
- b. Reports district officer-elect results to Optimist International no later than September 1.

In addition, if a District sends JOOI Governor-Elect and/or Secretary/Treasurer to the annual JOOI convention, an additional \$200 will be disbursed pending availability.

(Jun 1972; Jun 1973; Jun 1986; Jun 1987; Dec 1988; Mar 1989; Jul 1989; Dec 1993; Dec 1994; Jun 1997; Dec 2002; Dec 2003; Dec 2005; Mar 2006; Jul 2007)