



## **Area 61 Rules for Participating Minors at Area/District Events, Including Conferences/Conventions/Assemblies (updated 3/91, 9/08, 9/12, 9/16, 12/23)**

1. All participating minors must be accompanied to the event by an Al-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS) or parent/guardian, to whom they will BE DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DURATION OF THE EVENT.
2. A Participating Minors Information and Permission Form MUST be signed, notarized, and presented before they will be permitted to complete registration or take part in the Alateen activities. The AMIAS or parent/guardian, should keep the original copy in their possession for the duration of the time the Alateen/minor member is in their charge.
3. Participating minors attending the event shall arrive and leave as a group with their AMIAS or parent/guardian, who should have knowledge of their group members' whereabouts at all times.
4. All AMIAS bringing participating Alateens should be aware of the Safety Procedures and Responsibilities as outlined in the Alateen Safety Guidelines G-34.
5. AMIAS have the right to refuse to bring any Alateen member, whom they think will not abide with these rules, always remembering to place principles above personalities.
6. Participating Alateens must always conduct themselves properly for the safety, comfort, welfare and enjoyment of all persons attending this event. AMIAS and other Alateen members should not accept unacceptable behavior, such as swearing, rudeness, running in the halls, unnecessary noise, members being drunk or high, etc. All Alateen members are to remember that what they do reflects on their group, the event, and the name of Al-Anon/Alateen.
7. All participating Alateens are expected to attend Alateen sessions.
8. Age, gender identity, and sexual orientation should be considered by the accompanying AMIAS when assigning rooms for the Alateens they bring to overnight events (See WSO Guideline G-16).
9. Possession of alcohol or drugs is strictly forbidden. All participating minors using medication must report it to their responsible AMIAS in advance.
10. Participating Alateens/minors are required to report any problems or rules being broken to an AMIAS or another adult before it has a chance to spoil the event.
11. All participating Alateens must report to their assigned AMIAS at the designated times listed on the program or determined by the group.
12. Participating Alateens who choose not to abide with these rules may be sent home at their own expense.

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13. AMIAS from outside Area 61 (Wisconsin and upper Peninsula of Michigan) will be accepted at Alateen Conferences if they are certified by their home Area in accordance with WSO standards, and if their Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP) has verified their current certification. After this is received, the WIUPMI Alateen Coordinator will send the Multi-Area Notification to all involved.
14. Most Alateen Conferences and Conventions are closed events for registered Alateens and their Alateen Group Sponsors/AMIAS only. Alateen conference committees may invite guest speakers. These guests should be identified to everyone attending the conference. Conference Boards may invite guests to participate in meetings/workshops at conferences or conventions provided at least one AMIAS is present.

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### **Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan (WIUPMI) Alateen Safety and Behavioral Requirements (updated 5/05, 9/08, 9/16, 12/23)**

Information may be found in the following Conference Approved Literature publications:

- Guide for Sponsors of Alateen Groups (P-29)
- Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual – (P-24/27)
- Alateen Safety Guidelines G-34
- Alateen Conferences (G-16)

Additional information may be found in the following:

- Area 61 WIUPMI Policy Manual
- Al-Anon Board Motion of December 2003 (WSO)

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