



## DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF PRINCIPLES OF PROTECTING YOUNG PEOPLE BY A PERSON MINISTERING DURING THE WORLD YOUTH DAY

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Children and young people are an extraordinary gift that God has entrusted to the community of his Church. As a volunteer/carer involved in the implementation of the objectives of the World Youth Day I promise to strictly follow the principles of protecting young people as a condition of my ministry.

As a volunteer/carer:

- I shall approach everyone with respect, patience, kindness, honesty and attention.
- I shall avoid being alone with young people in areas inaccessible to others.
- In dealing with young people, I shall use positive reinforcement rather than criticism and stimulation of the spirit of unhealthy competition.
- I shall report suspicious behaviour indicating the risk of sexual abuse or the existence of another form of violence to a person of trust. I understand that failure to report such behaviour constitutes the increase of risk.
- I shall work with the person of trust without conducting my own investigation.

As a volunteer/carer:

- At the time of performing voluntary service, I shall neither smoke tobacco nor offer tobacco to others.
- I shall not use or have, and I shall not perform my service under the influence of alcohol, drugs or other substances, and I shall not suggest to others to use them.
- I shall be careful not to expose young people to a disease.
- I shall not use violence, verbal or physical.
- I shall not ridicule, threaten or humiliate anyone.
- I shall not touch anyone inappropriately or enforce any form of displaying endearment, both in public and private places.
- I shall not use vulgar language or other contemptuous forms of addressing others or speaking about others.

I understand that as a volunteer/carer during the World Youth Day I have a special commitment to adhere to the principles of protecting young people, and any behaviour contrary to the spirit of the principles, which I have read, may result in my removal from the voluntary service during the World Youth Day.

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Name and surname (legibly)

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Signature

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Date