



ALL SAINTS PARISH POLICY

FACILITOR TO CHILDREN RATIO

The All Saints Youth Worker and other Group Leaders who are working with Children and Young People in All Saints Parish will give consideration to the following items prior to undertaking an activity:

1. The acceptable Facilitators to Children ratio for an activity run within All Saints Parish will be a ratio of 1:15.
2. All endeavours must be made by the Group Leader to ensure that activities are run in accordance with this ratio.
3. Group Leaders should endeavour to have sufficient volunteer facilitators available to meet this ratio.
4. The Group Leader must have completed a Risk Assessment to ensure the safety of the children should the ratio not be met.
5. Should this ratio not be met, but it is considered that the activity will not place the children in danger, and measures have been taken to ensure their safety, then it will be at the discretion of the Group Leader as to whether the activity will continue.
6. The activity must not continue should the ratio vary greatly from 1:15. Minor variances may be considered in accordance with paragraph 5 above.
7. Parents should be advised should the ratio not be met, so that they are in a position to make an informed decision as to their child/ren's participation in the activity.
8. Other policies as set out by the parish in relation to minimum numbers of children to be alone with an adult will always apply and an activity must not be run should this not be possible (ie 1:2).