

# Guidance Note - International Travel Ratios



**Girl Guiding in Australia is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all Guides, Volunteers and Employees.**

It is important to consider the supervision ratios of adults to Youth Members when planning any Guiding activity.

Adult to Youth Member ratios vary according to the ages of the girls, the activity being undertaken, and the results of any risk assessment undertaken for the activity. The following rules are to be applied to the supervision of Girl Guides when travelling internationally.

<b>International Travel Ratios</b>	
<b>Ages 11 – 14 years</b>	<b>1:8</b> Minimum 3 adults including 1 qualified Leader
<b>Ages 14 – 17 years</b>	<b>1:10</b> Minimum 2 adults including 1 qualified Leader

## Additional Information

1. Males may be used to fulfil ratio requirements subject to:
  - the contingent having at least two females
  - meeting the event/host Country guidelines
2. In the event of only one qualified leader being available to accompany a contingent, consideration will be given to approving the contingent to travel, after:
  - Options of attracting another volunteer adult have been exhausted
  - Consideration of the number, ages and experience of the members
  - Consideration of the destinations and the event
  - A full risk assessment
  - Any other impacting factors.