REGNUM CHRISTI

The Role of the RC Section Director

Mission Statement

The section director has the mission of directing and encouraging lay members in their Regnum Christi identity and mission by fostering prayer life and integral formation, the family spirit of Regnum Christi, the invitation and welcoming of new members, accompaniment, apostolic action and a healthy economy. They contribute to the localities' evangelization plan. (RL 33.3 and 32, RRCF 43.3)

Functions

1. **Directs the life of the section**
    a. **The 5 elements of Life in Regnum Christi** (*nb. not to be confused with lay members' personal lives*) (RL 32, 2 and 16)
        - Develop and implement the formation plan based on the North American Formation Plan (RL 6, SRCF 4.7, 30.3)
        - Discern, authorize, oversee, and coordinate section apostolates, promote the common mission, evaluate apostolic effectiveness and growth, and promote and share the responsibility of ensuring the care for ECYD (RL 9-10, SRCF 8, 10, 11, 40, 41, 46, 47)
        - Foster and promote prayer, sacramental and liturgical life assuring the different spiritual practices (RL 32, 35, 5)
        - Offer and ensure the accompaniment of members via spiritual direction, team dialogue and apostolic dialogue. Develop and maintain a list of certified spiritual directors and make this resource available to all RC lay members. (RL 11, 12, 13)
        - Coordinate team life, appoint the team leaders and create or suppress teams, and approve the teams' configuration (RL 30.2)
    b. **Membership and fostering the family spirit of RC:** Admitting new members (RL 20), receiving disassociations (RL 21) and dismissals (RL 23) and promoting a culture of vocations (SRCF 48)
    c. Promise of Self-giving: Admitting members to make the promise of self-giving (RL 27), dispensations from the promise of self-giving

(RL 28), assuring the members' accompaniment & formation (RL 25.4-5)

2. **Directs the work of the RC formators of the Section**
    a. Directs the ordinary responsibilities of RC formators in their missions and roles (including RC section apostolates directed by them) (RL 36.2)
    b. Ensures RC formators' training and accompaniment (RL 36.2)
    c. Appoints team leaders and group leaders and names other formators for their Section (RL 30.2, 31.2, RRCF 8)

3. **Build and lead the section leadership team**
    a. Form a collaborative team to assist in the pastoral and apostolic life of the section (RL 32, 36)
    b. Promoting a culture of teamwork, co-responsibility, mission, and communion (RL 36, 37, SRCF 27-29)

4. **Oversee organizational elements of the Section**
    a. Collaborate with locality leadership and local Church and with all of the RC entities and institutions in the locality (RL 9.6, 17.6, RRCF 42.3-4, 43.2-3, SRCF 27-29, 51)
    b. Ensure effective communication systems for the Section (RL 32, SRCF 27-29)
    c. Maintain administrative stability and member database of the Section (RL 32, 20.3, SRCF 94, 100-103)
    d. Oversee fundraising and budget management of the Section (RL 32, SRCF 107)
    e. Implement safe environment policies in the Section (RL 32, RRCF 7)

Appointment: Territorial Directive College with consultation (RL 33)

Accountability: Regnum Christi Local Director (RRCF 42.2, 44.3)

Conflict Resolution: If there is a conflict that cannot be resolved at a section level or between sections and other RC entities, the section director can have recourse to the Regnum Christi local director (if there is not a named RCD, the first recourse would be to the locality representative of the North American area of locality governance). If the conflict cannot be resolved at a locality level, the section director can have recourse to

the locality representative of the North American area of locality governance. (SRCF 116)

**Note: The Section Director is a key player of the locality leadership team and represents and leads the lay members of the Regnum Christi spiritual family and apostolic body in that geographic area. They also oversee and coordinate the section's evangelizing work within the context of the evangelization plan of the locality. (RRCF 42.3, 43, SRCF 3, 54)*

***Note: The Rule of Life states that the Section Director has a council (RL 34). It is recommended that this be implemented when the size of the section merits this, i.e. multiple groups, a large number of teams (exceeding 7). Once a section is a larger size, it is recommended that the council not be the same people as the leadership team. If the size of the section is smaller and there is not a council in place, it is recommended that the leadership team functions as the council. The values in the service of authority within the Federation should always be upheld regardless of the size of the section: service, search for the common good, listening, dialogue, fraternal spirit, respect for the areas of competence, representation, culture of feedback, fostering improvement and growth at a personal and institutional level. (SRCF 58)*

****Note: In the absence of the Regnum Christi local director, the Section Director reports to the locality representative of the North American area of locality governance.*