

Guidelines for access to and participation of minors during the UN Environment Assembly session taking place in Nairobi, Kenya from 8 to 12 December 2025.

Participants to UNEA-7 must be at least 18 years of age. Participants younger than 18 years of age shall be considered minor and shall require a chaperone to attend UNEA-7. The following terms and conditions shall apply for the access to and participation of minors to UNEA:

1. Anyone below 18 years of age (hereinafter referred to as the “minor”) nominated by a Member State delegation or accredited NGO, shall be accompanied by a chaperone at all times. The chaperone must be 21 years of age or older.
2. Unaccompanied minors will not be permitted access to any venue hosting UNEA-7 and its preparatory meetings.
3. In case of minors and their chaperones participating as part of an accredited NGO delegation, they shall be part of the allotted quota of the respective NGO¹. No additional badges for either the chaperone or the minor will be allocated or issued.
4. At the time of entering the venue for UNEA-7 and its preparatory meetings and getting the meeting badge, each chaperone must sign all appropriate [forms](#) concerning consent of the parent/s/legal guardian/s of the minor, assuming full responsibility of the minor in their custody at the venue and commitment to respect the present guidelines.
5. Should the minor violate any provision of the present guidelines for participation, both the minor and the chaperone will face the same consequences.
6. Should such consequences result in confiscation of badges, the Member State delegation or NGO will not be allowed to nominate additional individuals in place of the de-badged minor and chaperone for the remainder of UNEA-7 and its preparatory meetings.
7. Should the chaperone violate any provision of the Code of Conduct, only the chaperone will face the consequences. Should such consequences result in confiscation of the badge of the chaperone, then another chaperone from among the registered representatives of that Member State delegation or NGO shall assume responsibility of the minor by signing the appropriate form in order for the minor to continue participating in UNEA-7 and its preparatory meetings. In the absence of a registered chaperone the minor will not be able to participate, and the concerned Member State delegation or NGO shall be responsible for ensuring the minor does not participate and he/she is taken away from the UNEA-7 venue.
8. For more information regarding the participation of minors during UNEA-7 please contact Ms. Carlota Estalella, UNEA-7 Coordination Officer at carlota.estalella@un.org.

These guidelines apply to the seventh session of the United Nations Environment Assembly, its preparatory meetings, the Youth Environment Assembly and other side and associated events of UNEA-7.

These guidelines do not apply to minors below the age of 5 years who are entering the premises with their parents. The UNEA venue has a nursing room behind Conference Room 1 and in the UN Recreation centre.

¹ Eligible organizations accredited to UNEP and its governing bodies can register up to five (5) representatives through the INDICO registration system.

