



General information to the German Law of youth protection

What does the German Law of youth protection mean for me?

In order to comply with the law of youth protection, children and teenagers under 16 are only allowed to visit events at the Waldbühne Berlin when accompanied by their parents, a legal caretaker or a chosen chaperone and each having a valid ticket. Teenagers over the age 16 but under 18 years old may visit without company until 12pm. In company of their parents, a legal caretaker or a chosen chaperons they usually may stay without any time limit.

Who is a "child" and who is a "teenager"?

The general law of youth protection protects children and teenagers. All persons under the age of 14 are considered children. Teenagers are all persons between the age of 14 and 18. Additionally, the legislation defines further age limits. **Married teenagers** visiting taverns, dance events and cinemas are treated as adults within the law of youth protection (see paragraph § 1 article 5 of the German law of youth protection).

Who is a legal caretaker and who is chosen chaperone?

Legal caretakers are usually the parents of a child, exceptionally also a juridical approved care worker or a legal guardian.

Chosen chaperones are persons of age with the assignment to take care of a child in place of the caretakers with legal custody and the mission to accompany and supervise the minor. It is required that the chosen chaperone is reliable, capable and willing to take the assignment in all conscience. A chosen chaperone can supervise multiple children and teenagers as long as he or she is capable of taking care of them.

Are teenagers allowed to visit an event without a parent but with a chosen chaperone?

Since the new law of protection came into force, caretakers have the opportunity to name a chosen chaperone to accompany and supervise their underage child during and after an event at the Waldbühne Berlin. Accompanied by a chaperone, children are allowed to participate in certain events.

Please note the following when choosing a chaperone:

- the chosen chaperone must be of age (at least 18 years old)
- the chosen chaperone must be mature enough to offer the necessary support to the minor whenever needed
- the minor has to be escorted home after the event
- the chosen chaperone shall not be under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicants

Generally, the legal caretaker still has to fulfill all custodial duties and carries the full responsibility for their child's actions, even if a chaperone was named. For the issuance of a custodial commission according to paragraph § 1 article 1 nr. 4 of the German law of youth protection we provide a suitable form. Please read the form **carefully!**



Custodial commission according to paragraph § 1 article 1 nr.4 of the law for youth protection for the visit of an event at the Waldbühne Berlin

Information on the parent / legal caretaker*

surname, name: _____

address: _____

phone number: _____

My daughter / my son

surname, name: _____

date of birth: _____

is allowed to visit (name of the event) _____

on (date) _____, accompanied by the chosen chaperone mentioned below.

Information on the chosen chaperone of age**

surname, name: _____

address: _____

phone number: _____

I hereby confirm the correctness of the information provided. I have read and understood the General information to the German Law of protection for parents and chaperones.

City, date:

signature of all involved parties:

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parent / caretaker

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chosen chaperone

* caretakers with legal custody are usually the parents of a child, furthermore a legal guardian

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Please note: The minor is required to carry the filled out and signed form aswell as a copy of the caretaker's identity card at all times during their stay at the Waldbühne Berlin and to show it to the security staff whenever they are being asked to. The originality of the caretaker's signature must be provided. Furthermore, both the minor and his chaperone need to carry their identity cards. Forgery of any document will be prosecuted! We reserve the right to review the custodial commission at any time and deny the minor entry in case of its absence – even with a valid ticket. We ask for your understanding in this matter.