



Fundraising know-how

What is fundraising in-aid-of?

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Volunteer fundraisers are split into two categories, which are described in the Institute of Fundraising's [Codes of Fundraising Practice: Volunteer Fundraising](#).

Volunteer fundraisers sometimes act with special authority to represent the organisation for which they are fundraising and sometimes they act entirely on their own initiative and with no special authority to represent the organisation. In this Code of Practice, those acting with authority to represent the organisation are described as acting on behalf of the organisation; other volunteer fundraisers are described as acting in aid of the organisation.

It will not always be easy to distinguish between the two. However, the difference has important legal consequences. The differences between the two relationships and the legal consequences are considered further in section 3.0 of [this Code](#).

Just for clarification, a [Volunteer Fundraiser](#) is not remunerated, but can be reimbursed for genuine out-of-pocket expenses.

However, anyone receiving more than £5 per day or £500 per year total for direct fundraising work is considered to be a professional fundraiser and is therefore subject to the same legal regulations as professional under the 1992 Charities Act and the Charities Act 2006. (taken from the [Institute's](#) main site)

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