

# Solidarity Boundaries Worksheet

Module 4.8 — Cross-Movement Solidarity: Defining Partnership Criteria and Red Lines

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## Boundaries Are Not a Failure of Solidarity

Poorly managed cross-movement work can dilute your message, absorb your organizational capacity, or align you with partners who damage your credibility. Clear boundaries aren't a retreat from solidarity — they're how solidarity stays honest. Define them before you need them.

### Section 1: Partnership Criteria

What a partner organization must demonstrate before we publicly align with them:

Criterion	What Evidence of This Looks Like
Criterion 1:	
Criterion 2:	
Criterion 3:	
Criterion 4:	
Criterion 5:	

### Section 2: Non-Negotiable Values

Values our organization will not compromise in any coalition or partnership arrangement:

Non-Negotiable Value	What Compromising This Would Look Like (so we recognize it)
Value 1:	
Value 2:	
Value 3:	
Value 4:	

### Section 3: Red-Line Tactics

Tactics used by adjacent movements that we will not associate with, even in coalition:

Red-Line Tactic	Why We Draw the Line Here	How We'll Communicate This to Partners
Tactic 1:		
Tactic 2:		
Tactic 3:		
Tactic 4:		

## Section 4: Decision Process for Solidarity Requests

When we receive a request to publicly align with or support an adjacent movement:

Step	Decision Protocol
Step 1 — Initial screen:	Does this partner meet our Partnership Criteria? (Section 1)
Step 2 — Values check:	Does alignment require compromising any Non-Negotiable Values? (Section 2)
Step 3 — Tactic check:	Does the partner use any Red-Line Tactics? (Section 3)
Step 4 — Decision-maker:	Who in our organization approves public alignment? (name role)
Step 5 — Conditions:	What conditions do we attach to the alignment if we proceed?
Step 6 — Exit clause:	Under what conditions would we withdraw from the coalition?

## Solidarity Request Log

Date	Requesting Organization	Nature of Request	Decision (Yes/No/Conditional)	Conditions / Notes