

## Code of Professional Conduct

### American Society of Safety Engineers Code of Professional Conduct

Membership in the American Society of Safety Engineers evokes a duty to serve and protect people, property and the environment. This duty is to be exercised with integrity, honor and dignity. Members are accountable for following the Code of Professional Conduct.

### Fundamental Principles

1. Protect people, property and the environment through the application of state-of-the-art knowledge.
2. Serve the public, employees, employers, clients and the Society with fidelity, honesty and impartiality.
3. Achieve and maintain competency in the practice of the profession.
4. Avoid conflicts of interest and compromise of professional conduct.
5. Maintain confidentiality of privileged information.

### Fundamental Canons

***In the fulfillment of my duties as a safety professional and as a member of the Society, I shall:***

1. Inform the public, employers, employees, clients and appropriate authorities when professional judgment indicates that there is an unacceptable level of risk.
2. Improve knowledge and skills through training, education and networking.
3. Perform professional services only in the area of competence.
4. Issue public statements in a truthful manner, and only within the parameters of authority granted.
5. Serve as an agent and trustee, avoiding any appearance of conflict of interest.
6. Assure equal opportunity to all.

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