

Code of Ethics American Society of Agricultural Consultants

A member is distinguished by the independence, objectivity and moral concern by which their business affairs are conducted.

A member will accept only those engagements they are qualified to undertake, and which, in the light of their knowledge and experience, are in the best interest of their clients.

A member can be depended upon to serve their clients with true professional honesty; they will refuse to serve under terms or conditions that may impair their independence, objectivity or integrity.

A member respects and guards as confidential any information obtained from clients which is of a sensitive and confidential nature.

A member will serve two or more competing clients at the same time on problems of a conflicting nature only with their full knowledge.

A member shall not accept or pay fees for referral of clients, nor will they accept Compensation, financial or otherwise, from persons or companies whose products, equipment or services they may recommend to clients during the course of an engagement, without full disclosure to the client.

A member shall always respect the rights of fellow consultants in negotiating for professional work or advancement; and may use all honorable means in competition for an assignment.

A member will condemn unethical or illegal conduct by other consultants and shall report any information on violations of these principles to the Society's Ethics and Grievance Committee for proper investigation and action.

A member shall promote their services in a professional and dignified manner, Being careful to avoid inaccuracies or misleading statements.

A member recognizes that the Society's Code of Ethics signifies a voluntary assumption Of the obligations of self-discipline above and beyond the requirements of the law. By it one strives to uphold the honor and maintain the dignity of the profession.