

APPENDIX A

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE RULES OF SURVEYORS BOARD OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA - CODE OF ETHICS

(Vide Rule 29.1)

Ethics are rules of conduct based on honesty, justice and courtesy. To merit the trust of the community, the respect of colleagues and the support of the Division, Members and Associate Members (in this Code called 'Members'), are required to comply with the Code of Ethics.

1. Members responsibility for the welfare and rights of the community shall come before their responsibility to the profession of surveying, to sectional or private interests or to other surveyors.
2. Members shall uphold the standards, the honour and the dignity of the profession and shall conform to the decision of the Division on questions of ethics and conduct.
3. Members shall accept full responsibility for professional advice and work performed and shall discharge their duties with integrity to their clients and employers and shall be scrupulous in use of their employer's property and services.
4. Members shall not undertake professional responsibilities beyond their competence or authority nor allow their subordinates to do so.
5. Members shall endeavour to advance the science and practice of surveying and the objects of the Division and shall continue their professional development throughout their career and encourage the development of their subordinates.
6. Members shall not reveal facts, data or information obtained in a professional capacity, which are personally identifiable, without the prior consent of the client or employer except as required by law.
7. Members when acting as a consultant or holding public office shall perform their duties impartially without fear or favour.
8. Members shall inform their client or employers of any interest which may adversely affect their judgment or the quality of their services and shall not accept any form of compensation for a particular service from more than one source without disclosing the circumstances and receiving approval from all interested parties.
9. Members shall build their reputation on merit and shall refrain from any form of unfair competition including:
 - Using a professional designation to which they have no entitlement.
 - Offering inducements to secure work or advancement.
 - Seeking to supplant another surveyor who has been appointed.
 - Neglecting to comply with provisions of rules or regulations governing the practice of surveying.
 - Accepting a fee which would preclude them from providing adequate and appropriate professional service.
 - Advertising in a fraudulent or misleading manner or in any other way not in the public interest.