

Competence Canada

Professional Code of Conduct

For the purposes of this code “members” refers to all individuals recognized formally by Competence Canada. This includes but is not restricted to Competence Canada members, certificated auditors, and individuals on other Competence Canada registers, as well as all volunteers.

Declaration of Personal Accountability

In carrying out their professional responsibilities or engaging in activities that could influence the perception of the profession and the Competence Canada, members and volunteers are required to uphold the most elevated ethical standards and integrity. All members and volunteers are anticipated to comprehend and abide by this code of conduct to support these objectives.

Moreover, the Competence Canada retains the authority to suspend or terminate membership and all affiliated privileges for members who fail to adhere to this code of conduct, following the Competence Canada’s protocol for addressing code of conduct grievances. Additionally, the Competence Canada maintains the prerogative to withdraw or suspend volunteering arrangements when deemed suitable.

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To exhibit commitment to this code, members and volunteers are expected to:

1. Demonstrate ethical behavior through the application of skill, diligence, and adherence to established professional norms.
2. Engage in suitable ongoing professional growth and document it appropriately.
3. Ensure that stakeholders impacted by their actions are not deceived or inadequately informed about their capacity to effectively fulfill their obligations.
4. Embrace responsibility and answerability for their individual professional decisions and actions.
5. Consistently act in ways that bolster and uphold the reputation of the Quality profession.
6. Endeavor to safeguard the credibility and reputation of the Competence Canada and all its involved stakeholders.
7. Consistently engage in truthful conduct regarding Institute-related matters.
8. Wholeheartedly cooperate with the regulations, policies, and procedures of the Competence Canada, including the exploration and resolution of alleged or confirmed breaches of this code of conduct.
9. Display consideration for the traditions, operational methods, cultural diversity, and personal convictions of others.
10. Notify Competence Canada if they have valid reasons to believe that another member or volunteer has violated this code of conduct.