

Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct

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Purpose

This Code establishes the professional conduct expected from IRCP governing members, staff, examiners, evaluators, decision-makers, advisers, contractors and representatives.

Professional commitments

Commitment	Expected conduct
Integrity	Provide accurate information, preserve evidence and avoid misleading statements about IRCP status, scope or recognition.
Impartiality	Act independently, declare conflicts and refuse improper influence or preferential treatment.
Competence	Accept assignments only when competent, prepared and adequately supported.
Respect	Treat candidates, organizations, colleagues and complainants fairly and without discrimination.
Confidentiality	Protect information obtained through IRCP activities and use it only for authorized purposes.
Accountability	Report errors, incidents, pressure, suspected fraud or unethical conduct through the appropriate channel.

Unacceptable conduct

Unacceptable conduct includes falsifying or concealing evidence, manipulating results, selling a certification decision, using an IRCP role for improper personal benefit, disclosing confidential information without authorization, retaliating against a complainant or falsely representing external recognition.

Reporting and consequences

Concerns may be submitted to secretariat@ircp-registry.org. IRCP protects good-faith reporting and reviews allegations through an impartial process. Confirmed breaches may lead to corrective action, reassignment, suspension, withdrawal of authorization or contractual termination.

Approval and review

This document is approved by the IRCP governing authority and is reviewed at least annually, or whenever a material change affects the organization, its certification schemes, its risks or its legal and regulatory context.

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