

# ACPBC Code of Ethics

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Members of the Association of the Chemical Profession of British Columbia undertake to dedicate themselves:

- to the highest standards of personal honor and professional integrity;
- to a high degree of professional competence maintained through continuing education; and
- to the dissemination of knowledge to enhance the overall standard of practice in chemistry.

In observance of these commitments, and as a condition of registration, professional members shall adhere to the following duties.

## ***1) Duties of the member to the public:***

A professional member shall:

- place the public welfare above any consideration of self interest;
- have proper regard in all his/her work for the safety, health, and welfare of the public;
- protect the public welfare by acting responsibly at all times and by cooperating with government and consumer agencies;
- ensure that environmental and ecological concerns are taken into account in the performance of his or her work;
- practice chemistry in accordance with the laws of Canada and British Columbia; and
- not be knowingly associated with enterprises that act contrary to the public well being and/or enterprises that act with questionable integrity.

## ***2) Duties of the member to employers and clients:***

A professional member shall:

- provide responsible and competent services, and shall only undertake work he or she is competent to carry out;
- be honest, diligent, and conscientious in the performance of his or her duties;
- properly supervise subordinates to ensure their safety, and properly acknowledge their contributions;
- not disclose confidential information without the express consent of his or her employer or client;
- not be engaged in activities conflicting with his or her employment;
- set fees which fairly reflect the knowledge, skill, and time involved in performing services; and
- if a potential for a conflict of interest exists, not accept remuneration for services rendered unless the employer or client is informed of the potential conflict of interest and gives written confirmation of having been informed.

### ***3) Duties of the member to the Association and its members:***

A professional member shall:

- present a good image to the public by maintaining high ethical standards of practice and standards of personal ethics that reflect credit to the Association;
- support the Association and further its aims;
- conduct herself or himself towards other members with fairness and good faith;
- endeavor to cooperate with other members and encourage ethical dissemination of new methods and technical knowledge; and
- not deliberately or maliciously attempt to injure the reputation of another member.