

ASSE Certification Code of Conduct

As an applicant, candidate, or ASSE-certified individual, I agree to conduct myself in a professional, ethical, and responsible manner and to uphold the integrity of the ASSE certification programs.

I agree to:

1. Place public health, safety, and welfare above personal, employer, or commercial interests while performing activities related to my profession.
2. Act honestly and ethically in all interactions related to ASSE certification activities.
3. Provide truthful and accurate information on all applications, examinations, recertification submissions, audits, and other certification-related documents.
4. Maintain professional competence within my area of practice and perform only those activities for which I am qualified through education, training, or experience.
5. Comply with all ASSE certification policies, procedures, requirements, and published program rules.
6. Protect the security and confidentiality of ASSE examinations and assessment materials and refrain from copying, distributing, sharing, reproducing, or disclosing examination content in any form.
7. Not engage in fraudulent, deceptive, dishonest, or misleading conduct related to obtaining, maintaining, or representing an ASSE certification.
8. Not knowingly assist another individual in obtaining or attempting to obtain certification through fraud, misrepresentation, unauthorized assistance, or other improper means.
9. Accurately represent my certification status, scope of certification, and credentials and refrain from making misleading claims regarding certification.
10. Use ASSE certificates, logos, marks, and credentials only as authorized by ASSE policies and not in a manner that could mislead others regarding certification status.
11. Avoid conflicts of interest and disclose situations that may compromise, or appear to compromise, impartiality or professional judgment.

12. Respect the confidentiality and privacy of individuals, employers, customers, and other parties encountered in the course of professional activities, except where disclosure is required by law.
13. Conduct myself in a professional, respectful, and non-discriminatory manner in all interactions with ASSE staff, volunteers, committee members, contractors, applicants, candidates, certificants, and stakeholders.
14. Notify ASSE of any situation that may affect my eligibility for certification or my ability to comply with this Code of Conduct or ASSE certification requirements.
15. Cooperate fully with any ASSE investigation regarding ethics complaints, misconduct allegations, certification misuse, examination security concerns, or violations of certification requirements.
16. Understand that violations of this Code of Conduct or ASSE certification policies may result in disciplinary action, including denial, suspension, revocation, or other restrictions on certification.

Applicant and Certificant Agreement

By submitting an application, registering for an examination, renewing certification, or maintaining certification, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree to comply with this Code of Conduct and all applicable ASSE certification policies and procedures.