



SAE-A Assessing Engineers Section Code of Ethics

1. PROFESSIONAL INTEGRITY.

The reputation of all signatories to this Code for professional integrity and efficiency shall be beyond reproach. The member's responsibility to the profession of Automotive Assessing Engineer must come before all sectional and private interests.

2. FAIR, HONEST AND ETHICAL PRACTICE.

When called upon to give expert advice or evidence or otherwise speak on a matter of fact in respect of the profession, all signatories shall speak the truth, notwithstanding its effect on other assessors, sectional interests or the signatory's own interests.

3. DUE CONSIDERATION TO BE GIVEN TO ALL PARTIES.

In carrying out an assessment all signatories shall act in an impartial and technically correct manner with due consideration for all parties involved, to ensure repairs are carried out in a manner that will preserve the asset value of the vehicle.

4. SPECIALISED EXPERTISE.

A signatory shall ensure in carrying out assessments that he/she has the technical knowledge, experience and expertise necessary to do so in a professional and appropriate manner. Should specialised expertise be required, beyond the signatory's capabilities, his/her principal should be informed and further or supplementary advice or expertise be obtained in accordance with the requirements.

5. COMPETITIVE TRADING REQUIREMENTS.

A signatory shall neither maliciously nor in a careless manner do anything likely to injure, directly or indirectly, the reputation of another assessor. A signatory shall not act in an anti-competitive manner or offer or receive directly or indirectly commissions, fees, discounts, inducements, rewards or gifts which would in any way tend to influence him/her to show favour or disfavour to any person in relation to his/her principal's business or affairs. A signatory's charges or salary shall be his/her only remuneration in connection with his/her professional work as an Automotive Assessing Engineer.

6. CONFIDENTIALITY.

The relationship between the signatory and his/her principal shall be one of total confidentiality and he/she shall not discuss with any third party the instructions given by his/her principal or any privileged document without the knowledge of his/her principal.

7. COMPLIANCE WITH CODE AND COMPLAINTS HANDLING.

At all times signatories shall conduct themselves in such a manner as to comply with the Constitution of the SAE-A, the Code of Ethics of the SAE-A and the Code of Ethics of the Assessing Engineers Section. Alleged breaches of this Code of Ethics shall be investigated by a Complaints Committee and a member may be required by the Committee to attend a meeting to justify their actions. A member found by the Committee to have breached the Code of Ethics may be expelled from the SAE-A.

8. SIGNATORIES TO UNDERTAKE UPDATE TRAINING.

All signatories shall be required to agree to attend update training and technical studies in order to maintain a current knowledge of technological advances in the automotive repair industry.

SIGNED: _____ PRINT NAME: _____

DATE: _____