



# **Methamphetamine Federation of New Zealand Code of Ethics**

## **1. Purpose of the Code**

This Code of Ethics aims to:

1. provide direction to members of the Methamphetamine Federation of New Zealand to ensure their actions comply with the objectives of the Incorporated Society, and uphold the highest ethical standards within the methamphetamine contamination industry;
2. provide a foundation of principles to aid members of the Incorporated Society in executing appropriate determinations in the practice of methamphetamine contamination sampling and decontamination, supporting NZS8510:2017, submitting proposals, reporting, providing support, administration and education; and
3. raise awareness of ethical issues faced by methamphetamine contamination industry workers, and the community in New Zealand.

## **2. General Obligations**

Members of the Incorporated Society should endeavour to:

1. advance methamphetamine contamination sampling and decontamination knowledge;
2. provide open access to methamphetamine contamination sampling and decontamination knowledge;
3. maintain and develop their professional competencies;
4. demonstrate objectivity and integrity in their work;
5. be dependable in meeting timeframes for the completion of tasks;
6. avoid undertaking work which entails a conflict of interest;
7. abstain from making misleading statements in connection with their work;
8. take all reasonable steps to ensure their qualifications, capabilities or views are not misrepresented to, or inaccurately perceived by others, and to correct any misrepresentation which may arise;
9. abstain from suggesting expertise or providing advice in areas of the methamphetamine contamination industry which they do not have; and

10. abstain from any conduct which may bring the wider methamphetamine contamination industry into disrepute.

### **3. The Distribution of Knowledge**

Members of the Incorporated Society should promote a working environment and professional relationships favourable for:

1. the advancement and distribution of methamphetamine contamination sampling and decontamination knowledge;
2. the preservation and enhancement of intellectual freedom; and
3. the creation of open and independent methamphetamine contamination industry inquiry.

### **4. Responsibility to Associates**

Members of the Incorporated Society should:

1. in accomplishing and publishing work, recognise fully the contribution of the input of associates;
2. avoid the exploitation of associates;
3. abstain from harassment of associates on any grounds;
4. actively promote the professional development of associates by ensuring they receive training, support and protection in work environments which may jeopardise their well-being;
5. not claim the work of others as their own;
6. not use the ideas or materials of others without their written permission, and due acknowledgement;
7. share methamphetamine contamination industry knowledge;
8. promote equal opportunity for associates; and
9. vigorously seek to avoid discriminatory practices affecting associates.

### **5. Responsibilities to the Community**

Members of the Incorporated Society should seek to:

1. provide support and education to the community; and
2. avoid the exploitation of the community;

### **6. Responsibilities regarding Research and/or Development**

Members of the Incorporated Society when undertaking research and/or development should:

1. comply with all legal requirements including laws protecting intellectual property, privacy, confidentiality, and data integrity;
2. ensure that any research and/or development is undertaken in compliance with the accepted principles governing the methamphetamine contamination industry; and
3. respect undertakings of anonymity and confidentiality.

## **7. Relationships with other Organisations**

Members of the Incorporated Society should seek to:

1. maintain good relationships with all funding and professional organisations;
2. publish all sources of financial support and sponsorship received;
3. abstain from any contractual conditions that limit intellectual freedom, or are dependent upon a particular outcome or set of findings;
4. abstain from any contractual or financial arrangements which emphasise speed and economy at the expense of quality work;
5. abstain from any contractual or financial arrangements which place restrictions on their freedom to distribute research findings;
6. comply with written agreements and undertakings entered into or given to organisations; and
7. be sympathetic to the constraints of organisations participating in research and not hinder their operations by imposing on them any unnecessary responsibilities.

## **8. Compliance**

Members of the Incorporated Society agree to:

1. comply with the provisions of this Code of Ethics in their work within the methamphetamine contamination industry;
2. comply with the Rules of the Methamphetamine Federation of New Zealand; and
3. abide by determinations made by the Incorporated Society following any non-compliance with the provisions of this Code of Ethics.