

IHSA Code of Ethics for NCSOs

IHSA Vision

Workplaces without injuries, illnesses, or fatalities.

IHSA Mission

To develop sector-specific partnerships and support their implementation of prevention solutions that provides continuous improvement in health and safety performance.

Infrastructure Health and Safety Association (IHSA) serves its customers and treats its members, customers, and suppliers with honesty and integrity. As such, IHSA expects the same of those awarded the National Construction Safety Officer (NCSO) certification. All dealings as an NCSO must also reflect the vision and mission of IHSA.

The NCSO shall:

1. Practice sound judgment.
2. Recognize professional limitations and competencies.
3. Practice the highest standards of honesty and integrity.
4. Represent themselves, their qualifications, and their experience accurately.
5. Promote and uphold the distinction of the safety profession.
6. Avoid conflicts of interest.
7. Protect confidential information and share only when legally obligated.
8. Respect dignity, diversity, human rights, and employment standards.
9. Continue professional growth and development.
10. Support the efforts of other safety practitioners.

As an NCSO designated by IHSA, you must provide advice and services in a manner consistent with the established and accepted standards of the construction industry and with the laws and regulations that govern it. NCSOs must provide their expertise with competence, reasonable care, and diligence.

NCSOs must avoid conflicts of interest, both corporate and individual. Where a corporate conflict exists, NCSOs must disclose such conflicts to their employer or those involved.

NCSOs play a direct part in the health and safety of company employees, the employees of other companies on the jobsite, and the general public at large. NCSOs must ensure that health and safety is given the highest priority in all aspects of the company's activities.

NCSOs must comply with the letter and spirit of laws relating to working conditions. NCSOs must not knowingly violate any law or regulation dealing with employment standards or health and safety.

NCSOs must ensure that all public statements and disclosures they make are truthful. NCSOs must also protect the proprietary interests of their customers.

NCSOs must not knowingly violate any law or regulation.

I, _____ have read, understand, and will comply with the NCSO Code of Ethics as written above. I realize that any breach of the Code of Ethics may result in a formal review and subsequent suspension or termination of my NCSO designation.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____