



CODE OF ETHICS

AAALAC INTERNATIONAL

PREAMBLE

AAALAC International is dedicated to enhancing the quality of research, teaching and resting by improving the welfare of animals produced for or used in science. It does so by providing independent assessments of animal programs to participating institutions and accrediting those that meet or exceed applicable standards.

AAALAC International is represented by a Board of Directors, Member Organization Delegates, a Council on Accreditation, Ad Hoc Representatives and Executive Office Staff. In conducting activities supporting the mission of AAALAC International, each representative must maintain high ethical standards and a personal commitment to this code.

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I, as a representative of AAALAC International, shall

Conduct myself with the highest degree of professionalism

Conduct my work with honesty, objectivity and integrity. My commitment to integrity begins with complying with the laws, rules, regulations and policies applicable to the work.

Abstain from professional judgements influenced by either real or perceived conflict of interest and, insofar as possible, avoid situations that involve either type of conflict of interest.

Respect the diversity, rights and opinions of those with whom I interact.

Maintain the confidentiality of all communications and other information acquired through my representation that is not otherwise available to the public.

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