



National Registry of Food Safety Professionals International Certified Food Safety Manager (ICFSM)

Code of Conduct Policy

National Registry expects its food safety managers to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects well on the ICFSM program and protects the public from foodborne illnesses. The *Code of Conduct* sets forth the behaviors ICFSMs are expected to uphold and abide by. Candidates for the ICFSM program must agree to the terms of the *Code of Conduct* as a condition of applying for the certification, and those who are certified and seeking recertification must agree to continue to uphold and abide by the *Code of Conduct* as a condition of maintaining the credential.

The ICFSM *Code of Conduct* requires certificants to uphold standards of conduct that allow for the proper discharge of their responsibilities to those served, that protect the integrity of the food safety profession, and safeguard the interests and well-being of the public. As a condition of holding and maintaining the ICFSM credential, I agree to:

- Be truthful and accurate in what I say, do, and write.
- Adhere to the law at all times.
- Promote and encourage the highest level of food safety within the industry.
- Not misrepresent nor permit misrepresentation of my qualifications or the qualifications of my associates.
- Maintain due regard for the environment and for the public safety, health, and well-being.
- Strive to maintain competence by remaining current with changes in the industry.
- Understand the certificate, logo, and marks for the ICFSM are the property of National Registry of Food safety Professionals; and I will use such property in an approved manner.
- Uphold and follow all policies and procedures required by National Registry to remain in good standing.
- Report to National Registry any pending litigation and resulting resolution related to my work in food safety.
- Avoid any interest, activity, or influence which may be intended to influence a decision purely for personal gain and not in the interest of public safety.
- Violations of the Code of Conduct will be considered grounds for sanctions, including censure, suspension, and/or revocation of the ICFSM credential.