



Society of Municipal Arborists Code of Ethics

The purpose of the Code of Ethics is to promote professionalism within the organization.

Every member of the SMA shall:

- Adhere to the highest standards of integrity and honesty to inspire public trust and confidence.
- Avoid conflicts of interest that may degrade the professional status of the member.
- Endeavor to stay up-to-date in regards to the latest advances in technologies and arboricultural techniques and practices within the profession.
- Strive for professional excellence, competence and fairness, and encourage the development of associates and students.
- Be efficient, effective, and fiscally responsible.
- Avoid misrepresentation of the SMA's official emblem, logo, or slogan as an endorsement or credential.
- Further the interests of the SMA with a free exchange of information and experience between professionals.
- Observe the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the SMA.
- Report to the SMA the actions of any member who violates this Code of Ethics.