

Code of Ethics

This document is to define the standard Code of Ethics that should be followed by any Professional taking any of our certification courses. It is the responsibility of each Certified Professional to act accordingly with the upmost ethical considerations when dealing with the public and within their own profession.

- Confidential information obtained should always remain private, (as it pertains to client lists and client personal information). Do not collect, give, sell, or transfer any personal information (such as name, email address, Social Security number, or other unique identifier) to a third party without consent from the client.
- Do not engage in any illegal or unethical conduct, or any activity which would constitute a conflict of interest.
- Protect the intellectual property of others by relying on their own innovation and efforts, thus ensuring that all benefits vest with its originator.
- Comply with lawful orders of the courts and testify to matters truthfully and without bias or prejudice.
- Provide service in their areas of competence, being honest and forthright about any limitations of your experience and education. Ensure that you are qualified for any project on which you work or propose to work by an appropriate combination of education, training, and experience.
- Never knowingly use software or processes that are obtained or retained either illegally or unethically.
- Do not engage in deceptive financial practices such as bribery, double billing, or other improper financial practices.
- Use the property of a client or employer only in ways properly authorized, and with the owner's knowledge and consent.
- Disclose to all concerned parties those conflicts of interest that cannot reasonably be avoided or escaped.
- Conduct yourself in the most ethical and competent manner when soliciting professional service or seeking employment, thus meriting confidence in your knowledge and integrity.
- Reveal all relevant material discovered during an investigation, which, if omitted, could cause a distortion of the facts.
- Maintain ethical conduct and professionalism always on all professional assignments without prejudice.
- Do not associate with malicious hackers, nor engage in any malicious activities.
- Do not purposefully compromise or cause to be compromised the client organization's systems during your professional dealings.
- Make sure all penetration testing activities are authorized and within legal limits.
- Do not partake in any black hat activity or be associated with any black hat community that serves to endanger networks.
- Do not take part of any underground hacking community for purposes of preaching and expanding black hat activities.