

CODE OF ETHICS OF THE ALABAMA RECYCLING COALITION

The Alabama Recycling Coalition (ARC), representing the State of Alabama, existing to advance the technology, processes, and public policy of recycling. ARC encourages professionalism and improved quality of service at all levels of government, education, the not-for-profit public sector and the for-profit sector. ARC contributes to the analysis, understanding and resolution of recycling issues by providing programs, services, policy studies, conferences, and publications.

The mission and goals of ARC call every member to additional dedication and commitment. Certain principles and moral standards must guide the conduct of ARC members not merely in preventing wrong, but in pursuing right through timely and energetic execution of responsibilities.

To this end, we, the members of the ARC, recognizing the critical role of principles in choosing among courses of action, commit ourselves to:

1. Demonstrate the highest standards of personal integrity, truthfulness, honesty and fortitude in all our public activities in order to inspire public confidence and trust;
2. serve the public with respect, concern, courtesy, and responsiveness, recognizing that service to the public is beyond service to oneself;
3. strive for personal professional excellence and encourage the professional development of our associates and those seeking to enter the field of recycling.
4. approach our organization and operational duties with a positive attitude and constructively support open communication, creativity, dedication and commitment;
5. serve in such a way that we do not realize undue personal gain from the performance of our official duties;
6. avoid any interest or activity which is in conflict with the conduct of our official duties;
7. respect and protect the privileged information to which we have access in the course of official duties;
8. exercise whatever discretionary authority we have under law to promote the public interest of recycling;
9. accept as a personal duty the responsibility to keep up to date on emerging issues and to administer our official duties with professional competence, fairness, impartiality, efficiency and effectiveness;
10. respect, support, study, and when necessary, work to improve federal and state constitutions and other laws which govern the recycling industry.