

Code of Ethics

The citizens of the United States have confidence that Air Force personnel will do their part to preserve the security and well-being of our nation. The public also expects that we conduct our mission honestly and with integrity. To ensure we do not betray or violate this public trust, the following Code of Ethics should guide our employment with the Air Force, Department of Defense and Federal Government.

Any person in Government should:

- PUT loyalty to the highest moral principles and to country above loyalty to persons, party, or Government department.
- UPHOLD the Constitution, laws and legal regulations of the United States and all governments therein and never be a party to their evasion.
- GIVE a full day's labor for a full day's pay; giving to the performance of his/her duties his/her earnest effort and best thought.
- SEEK to find and employ more efficient and economical ways of getting tasks accomplished.
- NEVER discriminate unfairly by the dispensing of special favors or privileges to anyone, whether for remuneration or not; and never accept, for himself/herself or for his/her family, favors or benefits under circumstances which might be construed by reasonable persons as influencing the performance of his/her governmental duties.
- MAKE no private promises of any kind binding upon the duties of office, since a Government employee has no private word, which can be binding on public duty.
- ENGAGE in no business with the Government, either directly or indirectly, which is inconsistent with the conscientious performance of his/her governmental duties.
- NEVER use any information coming to him/her confidentially in the performance of governmental duties as a means of making private profit.
- EXPOSE corruption wherever discovered.
- UPHOLD these principles, ever conscious that public office is a public trust.