

# Code of Ethics: IRRSP

## 1. Purpose and Scope

1.1. The following ASNT IRRSP Rules of Conduct are applicable to those individuals who possess a current ASNT IRRSP Certification. These rules of conduct are considered necessary to protect the health and safety of the ASNT IRRSP certified individual, other workers, and the general public from the effects of ionizing radiation. These rules of conduct are also considered necessary to maintain the integrity of the ASNT IRRSP Certification Program.

1.2 The certification body shall require that a certified person signs an agreement for the following reasons:

- to comply with the relevant provisions of the certification scheme;
- to make claims regarding certification only with respect to the scope for which certification has been granted;
- not to use the certification in such a manner as to bring the certification body into disrepute, and not to make any statement regarding the certification which the certification body considers misleading or unauthorized;
- to discontinue the use of all claims to certification that contain any reference to the certification body or certification upon suspension or withdrawal of certification, and to return any certificates issued by the certification body;
- not to use the certificate in a misleading manner.

## 2. Rules of Conduct

The ASNT IRRSP certified individual agrees to:

2.1. Maintain high standards of skills and knowledge of radiation safety and implement them in accordance with the USNRC or Agreement State regulations for isotopes or appropriate jurisdictional authority regulations for x-ray devices and the employer's radiation safety procedures.

2.2. Assume responsibility for radiation safety for the radiation producing equipment, only after completion of the required training and experience as stated by the employer's radiation safety procedures for the radiation producing equipment used.

2.3. Promptly inform the employer and/or proper authority of any activity that causes, or may cause, the violation of the employer's radiation safety procedures or the USNRC or Agreement State regulations for isotopes or the appropriate jurisdictional authority regulations for x-ray devices.

2.4. Minimize and maintain radiation exposures as low as reasonably achievable.

2.5. Wear and maintain personnel radiation monitoring devices as required by the employer's radiation safety procedures.

2.6. Maintain accurate knowledge of current personal radiation exposure and not exceed the required limits without written authorization from the employer as permitted by the regulations.

2.7. Accurately complete and maintain, in a timely manner, the required radiation safety documentation.

2.8. Always perform radiation surveys using the required instrumentation, and properly identify, control, and monitor the radiation areas and high radiation areas in the manner stated by the employer's radiation safety procedures.

2.9. Maintain current ASNT IRRSP Certification, when required, and not represent one's self as ASNT IRRSP certified without a current ASNT IRRSP Certification for the radiation producing equipment required to use.

2.10. Never misuse the ASNT IRRSP Certification.

2.11. Avoid conflicts of interest involving radiation safety with his/her employer and promptly disclose all such unavoidable circumstances to the employer and the proper authorities.

2.12. Refuse to accept gratuities or bribes which are associated with performance of radiation safety duties.

2.13. Never falsify or misrepresent his/her, or any other industrial radiography person's radiation safety qualifications and never knowingly allow others to falsify or misrepresent his/her radiation safety qualifications.

2.14. Neither associate with or knowingly participate in a fraudulent or dishonest radiation safety venture and never perform radiation safety duties in a fraudulent manner.

2.15. Refuse to falsify any radiation safety documents and refuse to sign such documents for which he/she does not have personal knowledge.

2.16. Refuse to testify or issue statements or arguments on radiation safety matters unless they are founded on adequate knowledge of the facts and technical competence.

2.17. Never operate radiation producing equipment or perform radiation safety duties while under the influence of legal or illegal mood altering substances.