



Kansas Home Inspector Registration Board

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Code of Ethics

Honesty, integrity, and objectivity form a moral philosophy which, associated with mutual interest among people, constitutes the foundation of ethics. It is paramount to this Board that registered inspectors in Kansas should recognize such a standard, not in passive observance, but as a set of dynamic principals guiding their conduct. The following standard should be a minimum standard by which each inspector governs his or her business as a basic philosophy and as a matter of public policy.

1. It is the inspectors duty to practice the profession according to this Code of Ethics, as the keystone of professional conduct is integrity. Inspectors will discharge their duties with fidelity to the public, their clients, and with fairness and impartiality to all. They should uphold the honor and dignity of their profession and avoid association with any enterprise of questionable character, or apparent conflict of interest.
2. Inspectors will express an opinion only when it is based on practical experience, education and honest conviction.
3. Inspectors will always act in good faith toward each client.
4. Inspectors will not disclose any information concerning the results of the inspection without the approval of the client or their representatives.
5. Inspectors will not accept compensation, financial or otherwise, from more than one interested party for the same service without the consent of all interested parties.
6. Inspectors will not accept, nor offer, commissions or allowances, directly or indirectly, from, or to other parties dealing with their client in connection with work for which the inspector is responsible.
7. Inspectors will promptly disclose to their client any interest in a business which may affect the client. The Inspector will not allow an interest in any business to affect the quality or results of their inspection work which they may be called upon to perform. The inspection may not be used as a vehicle by the inspector to obtain work in another field, or to perform repairs on a property inspected by the inspector.
8. The inspector shall make every effort to uphold, maintain and improve the professional integrity, reputation and practice of the home inspection industry. The inspector will report all such relevant information, including violations of this Code of Ethics, the Rules and Regulations and the Act, by other inspectors, to the Board for further review.
9. Inspectors shall not inspect properties in which they have, or expect to have, a financial interest without a written disclosure to the client.
10. The inspector shall not conduct a home inspection or prepare a home inspection report for which the inspector's fee is contingent upon the conclusions in the report.
11. The inspector shall abide by all local, state and federal laws and statutes, the Rules and Regulations as approved by the Board, substantially follow the approved Standards of Practice and this Code of Ethics.