

1 **SECTION .0800 – ONSITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTOR OR INSPECTORS CODE OF ETHICS**

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5 **21 NCAC 39 .0801 CODE OF ETHICS**

6 (a) Contractors and inspectors shall at all times recognize their primary obligation is to protect the public in the
7 performance of their professional duties and shall conduct the practice of those duties in a manner that protects the
8 public health, safety and welfare.

9 (b) Opinions expressed by contractors and inspectors in the discharge of their duties shall only be based on their
10 education, experience, and honest convictions.

11 (c) Neither a contractor nor an inspector shall disclose any information about the results of an inspection without the
12 approval of the client for whom the inspection was performed, or the client’s designated representative, except as
13 required by law.

14 (d) No contractor or inspector shall accept compensation or any other consideration from more than one interested
15 party for the same service without the consent of all interested parties.

16 (e) No contractor or inspector shall accept or offer commissions or allowances, directly or indirectly, from or to
17 other parties dealing with the client in connection with work for which the licensee is responsible.

18 (f) No contractor or inspector shall provide an appraisal nor express an opinion of the market value of the inspected
19 property during an inspection or in the inspection report.

20 (g) Before the execution of a contract to perform an on-site wastewater system inspection, an inspector shall disclose
21 to the client any interest the inspector has in a business that may affect the client. No licensee shall allow his or her
22 interest in any business to affect the quality or results of the inspection work that the inspector may be called upon to
23 perform.

24 (h) Before the execution of a contract to perform an on-site wastewater system installation, a contractor shall
25 disclose to the client any interest a contractor has in a business that may affect the client. No licensee shall allow his
26 or her interest in any business to affect the quality or results of the installation work that the contractor may be called
27 upon to perform.

28 (i) Contractors shall not knowingly or willfully install a non-permitted system.

29 (j) Contractors shall not knowingly or willfully install a system or any part of a system other than what is specified
30 in the permit by the local health department.

31 (k) Contractors and inspectors shall not engage in false or misleading advertising or otherwise misrepresent any
32 matters to the public.

33 (l) Contractors and inspectors shall discharge their duties in accordance with Article 5 of Chapter 90A of the North
34 Carolina General Statutes and the rules of the Board.

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36 *History Note: Authority G.S 90A-72, 90A-74:*

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