



CODE OF ETHICS FOR IRATA ASSESSORS

Assessors undertake to ensure professional behaviour and integrity in carrying out IRATA assessments, noting that they are acting as ambassadors for IRATA.

Failing to follow the code/agreement may result in disciplinary action, such as suspension or loss of IRATA membership and assessor status.

Assessors shall:

1. Carry out assessments as objectively as possible on behalf of IRATA, by applying current criteria described in "General Requirements for certification of personnel engaged in industrial rope access methods" or more recent updates.
2. Ensure there is a risk assessment for the assessment area. This should normally be carried out with the trainer wherever possible.
3. Be independent of the candidate (i.e. have not been closely involved with the candidate's training), the candidate's employer or the organisation providing training.
4. Inform both the training company and IRATA of any links or other commercial interests, which might make their professional impartiality suspect. If in any doubt that what they are doing or requested to do, may not be appropriate for an IRATA assessor, they will contact at least 3 core members of IRATA Training Committee to clarify matters before proceeding.
5. Respect the personal and professional dignity of the various persons with whom they are dealing.
6. Hold appropriate insurance cover.
7. Report any violations of this code by another assessor to the Executive Committee of IRATA.

Assessors shall not:

1. Disclose confidential information acquired in the course of the assessment, without the consent of the parties concerned or unless disclosure is clearly in the public interest.
2. Approach training staff or candidates for recruitment purposes, without the express approval of any employers involved.
3. Approach training staff or candidates to use the assessor's services for future business, without the express approval of any employers involved.
4. Accept bribery in any form.

The IRATA Appeals and Complaints Procedure is set out in the Bye-Laws of the Association.

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