

CODE of ETHICS for ENGINEERS

ENGINEERING work has become an increasingly important factor in the progress of civilization and in the welfare of the community. The engineering profession is held responsible for the planning, construction and operation of such work and is entitled to the position and authority which will enable it to discharge this responsibility and to render effective service to humanity.

That the dignity of their chosen profession may be maintained, it is the duty of all engineers to conduct themselves according to the principles of the following Code of Ethics:

- 1—The engineer will carry on his professional work in a spirit of fairness to employees and contractors, fidelity to clients and employers, loyalty to his country and devotion to high ideals of courtesy and personal honor.
- 2—He will refrain from associating himself with or allowing the use of his name by an enterprise of questionable character.
- 3—He will advertise only in a dignified manner, being careful to avoid misleading statements.
- 4—He will regard as confidential any information obtained by him as to the business affairs and technical methods or processes of a client or employer.
- 5—He will inform a client or employer of any business connections, interests or affiliations which might influence his judgment or impair the disinterested quality of his services.
- 6—He will refrain from using any improper or questionable methods of soliciting professional work and will decline to pay or to accept commissions for securing such work.
- 7—He will accept compensation, financial or otherwise, for a particular service, from one source only, except with the full knowledge and consent of all interested parties.
- 8—He will not use unfair means to win professional advancement or to injure the chances of another engineer to secure and hold employment.
- 9—He will cooperate in upbuilding the engineering profession by exchanging general information and experience with his fellow engineers and students of engineering and also by contributing to work of engineering societies, schools of applied science and the technical press.
- 10—He will interest himself in the public welfare in behalf of which he will be ready to apply his special knowledge, skill and training for the use and benefit of mankind.

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INTRODUCTION to AND SUGGESTIONS for THE EFFECTIVE USE OF THE GUIDE, 1929

THIS is the seventh consecutive Annual Edition of THE GUIDE. It is presented to the Profession and its allied Industries with the hope that it will perform a real and important service to their advancement.

THE GUIDE was founded in 1922 and from the very beginning was dedicated to service, rather than commercialism. Its principles, then and now, are definite and have been followed without deviation, despite the many inhibitions of tradition and commercialism. These principles, though plural in expression, are singular in effect;—that everything must be subordinated to facts and service, rather than to commercialism. These principles are based on the conviction that *service with facts* is the life-blood of both the Profession and its allied Industries.

The users of THE GUIDE will find therefore, that the *Text Section* contains substantially all of the very latest and most reliable data on *Heating and Ventilating*; compiled from the findings of the Society's Research Laboratory and of other independent Laboratories, from the experience of the foremost Engineers and from similar sources of reliable information; all put into most available and readily usable form for the convenience of the busy Architect, Engineer, Manufacturer, Contractor or Builder.

The data presented in the Text Pages in each issue of THE GUIDE thus represents the best available information, having its source in individual engineering experience, in that collective experience garnered by Manufacturers, and in the devoted labors of the Society's own Research Laboratory at Pittsburgh, in collaboration with the United States Bureau of Mines,—data prepared and contributed freely by the foremost engineers of the United States,—perhaps it would not be exaggerative to say, of the world. In no other way, save through the medium of this Society,—unfettered by commercialism or self-interest,—could the liberal cooperation of these men have been elicited.

We are proud that THE GUIDE has won the loyalty and cooperation of the many who have labored so generously and unselfishly that its Text Pages may serve usefully and effectively to advance the interests of the Profession, its allied Industries and that vast Public which we are privileged to serve.

In the Catalog Data Section, we have insisted again that the Manufacturer's data presented must be useful, *serviceable*,—not a mere collection of claims, high-sounding catch phrases or superlatives, but an informative presentation of helpful data. At first, when the Manufacturer felt that he might use his paid-for space as he pleased, this