

GRAND RAPIDS ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®
CODE OF ETHICS FOR THE AFFILIATE

ARTICLE 1 - The Affiliate should keep himself informed on matters affecting real estate in his community, the state, and nation so that he may be able to contribute responsibly to public thinking on such matters.

ARTICLE 2 - In justice to those who place their interest in his care, the Affiliate should endeavor always to be informed regarding laws, proposed legislation, governmental regulations, public policies, and current market conditions in order to be in a position to advise his clients properly.

ARTICLE 3 - The Affiliate should endeavor to eliminate in his community any practices which could be damaging to the public or bring discredit to the real estate profession. The Affiliate should assist the governmental agency charged with regulating the practices of brokers and salesmen in his state.

ARTICLE 4 - In the best interests of society, of his associates, and his own business, the Affiliate should willingly share with REALTORS® and other Affiliates, the lessons of his experience and study for the benefit of the public, and should be loyal to the Association of REALTORS® of his community and active in its work.

ARTICLE 5 - The Affiliate should avoid exaggeration, misrepresentation, or concealment of pertinent facts relating to the transaction. The Affiliate shall not advise on matters outside the scope of his role in the transaction.

ARTICLE 6 - The Affiliate shall not deny equal professional services to any person for reasons of race, creed, sex, or country of national origin. The Affiliate shall not be party to any plan or agreement to discriminate against a person or persons on the basis of race, creed, sex, or country of national origin.

ARTICLE 7 - The Affiliate shall not undertake to provide professional services concerning a property or its value where he has a present or contemplated interest unless such interest is specifically disclosed to all affected parties.

ARTICLE 8 - If an Affiliate is charged with unethical practice or is asked to present evidence in any disciplinary proceeding or investigation, he shall place all pertinent facts before the proper tribunal of the Member Board or affiliated Institute, Society, or Council of which he is a member.

ARTICLE 9 - The Affiliate shall not engage in activities that constitute the unauthorized practice of law and shall recommend that legal counsel be obtained when the interest of any party to the transaction requires it.

ARTICLE 10 - The Affiliate shall be careful at all times to present a true picture in his advertising and representations to the public.