

Ethical Codes of the Society

Chapter I. Purposes and Principles:

Preamble: The purpose of ethical codes of the Society is to generate and disseminate knowledge concerning ethical aspects of the Society members. The principles are set forth to assist the members to stay a high level of ethical conduct in the Society. These are behavior standards that a member may determine the propriety of his/her conduct, relationship with allied professions and the public.

Section 1: All members should commit to improvement of knowledge and skill and making available to their colleagues and the public the benefits of their professional expertise in physical activity and health.

Section 2: All members should maintain highly ethical standards and shall not voluntarily collaborate with those who violate this set of principles.

Section 3: The members of Society should safeguard the public and the Society against those who are deficient in ethical conduct.

Chapter II: The Principles of Ethical Behavior for Members of the Society:

Members of the Society are committed to the highest ethical standards, and assume an obligation to teach, research, serve, and supervise students or practitioners with the highest ethical standards. The Society hereby affirms: (a) members should acknowledge that the Society prohibits any forms of academic cheating and dishonesty in the Society and related professions; (b) members should acknowledge that they are aware of international doping control standards as determined by the List of Prohibited Substances and Methods published by the World Anti-Doping Program or by the relevant Anti-Doping Authority for all physical activities, health promotion, and sport competition; (c) members should not advise, aid, or abet any individual to

use prohibited substances or methods of doping; and (d) members should agree that departure from these principles of ethical behavior may result in sanctions by the Society and will accept those sanctions as determined.

Chapter III: Maintenance of Good-standing in Professions:

Any member required by law to be licensed, certified or otherwise regulated by any governmental agency in order to practice his or her profession must remain in good-standing before that agency as a condition of continued membership in the Society. Any expulsion, suspension, probation or other sanction imposed by such governmental agency on any member is ground for disciplinary action by the Society.

Chapter IV: Public Disclosure of Affiliation:

Other than for commercial venture, any member of the Society may disclose his/her affiliation with the Society in any context, oral or documented, provided it is currently accurate. In doing so, no member may imply the Society endorsement of whatever is associated in context with the disclosure, unless expressly authorized by the Society. Violation of this Chapter may be ground for disciplinary action.

Chapter V: Discipline:

Any member of the Society may be disciplined or expelled for conduct. The expulsion of a member may be ordered upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the Executive Council presented at a regular or a special meeting, and only after such member has been informed and given an opportunity to refute such charges before the Executive Council of the Society. Other disciplinary action such as reprimand, probation, or censure may be recommended by the Executive Council and ordered following the affirmative vote of two-thirds

of the members of the Executive Council present at a regular or special meeting or by mail ballot, provided a quorum takes action.