

CASTLEGAR SOCIETY FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE (CSAR)

CODE OF ETHICS

As a member of the Castlegar Society for Search and Rescue, I acknowledge and commit to honor to the best of my ability the following values:

THAT I have a moral obligation to the missing or injured and to the agencies, volunteer organizations, and other CSAR members with whom I work. I shall endeavor to guard their interests honestly and deal with them fairly, wisely, and in an efficient, proper manner. I shall behave honestly in all matters, respect privileged communication, avoid any real or perceived conflicts of interest and deal with others courteously and politely.

THAT I shall continuously work to raise the standards of performance of search and rescue to the highest attainable levels without regard to race, sex, religion, cultural background, sexual preference, and economic or social condition in service to humanity.

THAT I have an obligation to advance the knowledge and skills of search and rescue so that I can serve the needs of the missing or injured. I shall strive to improve my own knowledge and skills; support others by sharing my experiences; and strive to keep myself fully informed of new developments in the profession.

THAT I shall support the mission of Search and Rescue - "*.....that others may live*" - and shall, at all times, conduct myself in an ethical and prudent manner worthy of my profession.

Code of Ethics as adopted by CSAR Board of Directors, September 2003