

Growing professionally

Current Issues in Life

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BUT THERE IS NO WAY THAT WE GET THROUGH ALL OF THAT!

The Actuaries' Code – potential for foul play?



Integrity

Care and Competence

Communication

Impartiality

Compliance

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When does the Actuaries' Code apply?

The Actuaries' Code applies at all times to members' conduct in their work as actuaries and is taken into consideration where members' conduct in other contexts could reasonably reflect on the actuarial profession.

How does the Actuaries' Code apply?

Where a member's conduct is called into question, failure to observe the Actuaries' Code may be taken into account by a Disciplinary Panel.

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Now you've got a job and joined the IFoA ... Video review: A walk on the wild side

- Clive Narrator
- · Jolyon Narrator
- · Tam Young female actuary
- Rich Young male actuary
- Carrie From the Marketing
 Department
- Freya Rich's boss



Clive and Jolyon take a light hearted look ("David Attenborough style") at the application of APS X2 Review of Actuarial Work - but have a serious message.

What should the video ref consider (suggestions next)?

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Case study from the files: Compliance - discussion

- · Which parts of the Actuaries' Code are most relevant here?
- Should you be concerned that another Actuary appears to be failing to comply with legislation?
- · What steps would you consider appropriate under the circumstances?

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Second case study – Just between friend

- · You are having a chat with a friend of yours who is also a qualified actuary.
- She works within a Regulatory Body
- Body gets involved in discussions on themes where investigations may be initiated, within Insurance, Banking and Wealth Management firms.
- · You both talk about one particular business line where your firm is heavily involved
- Your firm keeps thinking that there may be a thematic investigation into that particular business line.
- You have been privy to some scenario planning on the impact an investigation could have on your firm and a potential reduction in the share price.
- Unprompted, your friend starts to talk about a potential investigation which makes you think that there is likely to be a formal announcement soon.

Just between friends - discussion

- Is your friend breaching confidentiality?
- Has your friend been unprofessional and what should you do about that?
- Do you have a duty to pass on the insight you have gained to your firm? Can you use the information that you have just heard?
- Do you have conflicts of interest professional and personal?

Suppose you have a share option scheme at work:

- · If you had been thinking about selling your shares, should that now cease?
- If you had been considering buying shares, are you obliged now to buy?
 Other suggestions:
- Do you ask her about the source of the info is it in the public domain?
- · If you choose to do nothing, are you being unprofessional?

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Summary and Closing Thoughts

Honesty and Integrity Care and Competence Communication Impartiality Compliance

When does the Actuaries' Code apply?

The Actuaries' Code

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