

ACCREDITED ASSESSOR – CODE OF CONDUCT

The independence, powers and responsibility of the Risk Management Authority (RMA) place high ethical demands on assessors accredited by the Authority. Accredited assessors must agree to abide by the provisions of the following Code of Conduct. Compliance with this Code is a condition for continuing accreditation and a breach of the Code may lead to the withdrawal of accreditation.

I UNDERTAKE TO COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

1. To act professionally in undertaking my duties as an accredited assessor and in doing so, uphold the integrity of Accreditation and the reputation of the Risk Management Authority.
2. To undertake risk assessments under the auspices of a Risk Assessment Order (or Interim Compulsion Order) in accordance with legislation and RMA published standards and guidelines (including the use of the RMA report format).
3. To undertake assessments and proffer opinions appropriate to my experience, competence, skills, training and expertise. To seek appropriately qualified advice and consultation in any circumstance which is outside my own specific expertise. To avoid the use of risk assessment tools for which I do not possess the technical user qualifications as specified within the tool.
4. To strive to improve the knowledge, practices and reputation of accredited assessors by contributing to the ongoing development of the risk assessment/management field.
5. To avoid any activity which may be in conflict with the best interests of the Authority or may be seen to prevent the objective performance of my duties. To disclose to the Authority any current or previous relationship (working and personal) which may be seen to compromise my impartiality.
6. To adhere to the requirements of the *Data Protection Act 1998* and any other confidentiality obligations applicable to my profession.
7. To cooperate fully with any enquiry in the event of a complaint about my performance or conduct as an accredited assessor.
8. To inform the Risk Management Authority immediately upon any change of circumstances which may have an impact upon my Accreditation status such as being charged with a criminal offence, being subject to investigation or allegation of misconduct, a change in my professional membership status (if applicable) and any other medical or personal circumstance which would preclude me from competently performing my duty as an Accredited Assessor.
9. To complete the minimum annual continuous professional development (CPD) hours and to attend all mandatory training as set by the RMA.

I, the undersigned, confirm that I have read the above code of conduct and agree to comply with the requirements outlined within, for the duration of my accreditation with the Risk Management Authority.

(Name)

(Signature)

(Date)