



## Statement of Ethical Principles and Professional Standards

The Society for Underwater Technology (the Society) is an international Learned Society with a first-class reputation for ethical behaviour and upholding the highest Professional standards. Becoming a Chartered Marine Technologist is a recognised Professional Status, not entered into lightly, and it is incumbent upon Members and Fellows seeking CMarTech to uphold the reputation of their Profession. We ask that they undertake to observe the following principles and standards:

1. CMarTech Professionals are expected to hold to the highest standards of honesty and ethical behaviour in their professional and commercial activities. Acts such as taking bribes or telling lies in order to secure contracts impinge upon the professional reputation of the whole of their Profession, and of the Society for Underwater Technology, and members who engage in such unethical behaviour will be expelled and their names removed from the Professional Register.
2. The principal aims of the Society are to disseminate knowledge and learning in the area of underwater technology, to promote such dissemination in an open and unbiased manner. Our CMarTech Professionals will be encouraged to support SUT and colleagues in sister Learned Societies and Professional Bodies for mutual benefit of the Profession.
3. Members who take part in SUT Branch activities recognise their responsibility to organise and manage the Branch on a purely voluntary basis and without any expectation of deriving personal gain or advantage. Officers and committee members of the Branch act as independent persons and will not seek gain or advantage for their employer or any business interest with which they are associated.
4. Chartered Marine Technologists may from time to time be called upon to act as Professional Witnesses, or to give their views to Government Enquiries, Tribunals, Review Panels and similar entities. As Professionals they must always act with integrity and honesty in any such dealings.
5. Chartered Marine Technologists will respect the rights and reputations of other members and attendees at events and business meetings, creating an environment where diversity of race, gender, sexuality, religion and other sources of discrimination are accepted without disrespectful comment and action, and where members behave with integrity and objectivity, to uphold the highest Professional standards in keeping with their status, SUT's reputation as an International Learned Society and our collective responsibility as good citizens of our respective countries.
6. Chartered Marine Technologists will undertake to stay abreast of new discoveries and technical developments throughout their working life so that they are always able to give the most up to date, evidence-based advice to clients, employers and colleagues.

Signed

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Date