



Standard 3: Professionalism and Ethics

Principle: Canada's professional foresters serve the public interest and understand the role of the profession. Professional foresters practise with integrity, are competent, independent and accountable for their actions and decisions. They maintain professional standards and conduct based on ethical principles including life-long learning and continuing competency requirements.

Demonstrable competencies and descriptions

A candidate for certification shall provide evidence of the ability to:

3.1 Identify the functions of professional regulatory bodies.

- Structure and functions of regulated professions in Canada
- Relations amongst professions
- Criteria for entry into a profession, and quality assurance standards
- Roles of codes of conduct/ethics and standards of practice
- Complaints and discipline processes

3.2 Articulate the duties and obligations of professionals.

- Scope of practice
- Standards of practice
- Codes of conduct/ethics
- Service to the public, profession, employer and resource
- Professional practice documentation
- Conflict of interest
- Commitment to maintain competency
- Personal professional competence and role of outside expertise
- Health and safety considerations