**Code of Ethics**

The Code of Ethics for members of the Animal Transportation Association (ATA) has been adopted to promote and maintain the highest standards of professional and personal conduct among its members. Adherence to these standards is required for membership in the Association as a non-profit association dedicated to the safe and humane transportation of animals - worldwide.

- Maintain the highest standard of personal conduct.
- Promote and encourage the highest level of ethics within the profession of animal transportation.
- Strive for excellence in all aspects of the profession.
- Use only legal and ethical means in all professional activities.
- Maintain the confidentiality of privileged information.
- To obey all applicable international, federal, state and local laws as well as licensing requirements governing animal care and transportation.
- To avoid any slander or defamation of other ATA colleagues and to avoid unfair competitive practices, actions or business practices in general which would result in dishonor upon or distrust of the ATA colleagues or the animal transportation industry in general.

As an ATA member, each member must also adhere to the [ATA Statement of Policies](#).

- Recognize that elected and/or appointed officials are responsible for the establishment of ATA policies and that policy execution is the responsibility of the ATA Executive Board Members.
- Profiting from, or enabling others to profit from, inside information regarding any company’s performance, financial stability or internal problems is prohibited.