

## **Code of Ethics**

CWCOA and its members are committed to the following aims and ideals of the wildlife damage control profession:

1. Abide by wildlife damage management laws and regulations to which I am subject.
2. Subscribe to a professional code of conduct that embodies honesty, integrity, service, duty and dependability.
3. Demonstrate a high level of regard and respect for people, property and wildlife.
4. Promote appreciation for and understanding of the various values of wildlife and scientific wildlife management, especially as they relate to human health, safety and economic concerns.
5. Be sensitive to and make allowances for the various viewpoints on wildlife damage management.
6. Provide professional advice and expertise on managing wildlife damage to my clientele as appropriate within the limits of my experience and training.
7. Promote competence and professionalism by supporting high standards of education, training, employment and performance.
8. Broaden my knowledge, skills and abilities to practice wildlife damage management through continuing education.
9. Utilize the best management practices of the wildlife damage management industry to include the considerations of humaneness, selectivity, safety, effectiveness and practicality.
10. Treat my competitors and clientele in a courteous and respectful manner consistent with honorable business practices.
11. Encourage through word and example all wildlife damage control operators to adhere to this code and to participate in their state and national associations.