

ETHICS

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**“THE TIME IS ALWAYS RIGHT TO
DO WHAT IS RIGHT”**

(Martin Luther King Jr.)



ETHICAL STANDARDS IN ROTARY

- History
- Code of Ethics 1915
- Declaration for Rotarians in Businesses and Professions 1989
- Code of Conduct 2011
- 4-Way Test 1943



ROTARY CODE OF CONDUCT – IT COVERS

- The core value of integrity
- Using vocational experience to serve in Rotary
- Personal conduct
- Fair dealing with other people
- Respect for all occupations
- Offer vocational talents to serve the community
- Actions not to reflect badly on Rotary or fellow Rotarians
- Not seek a privilege from a fellow Rotarian



ETHICS AND INTEGRITY

- “Ethics” has been described as the branch of philosophy that is concerned with what is morally good or bad, right or wrong.”
- “Integrity” also includes an action plan that says, “I hold to these beliefs (my ethics) and I ask you to hold me accountable for these beliefs in everything I say and do.

(Past RI Treasurer Barry Thompson)



THE 4-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"



ETHICAL DECISIONS – THE FRAMEWORK

1. IDENTIFY the ethical problem.
2. IDENTIFY the stakeholders in the decision.
3. OUTLINE possible options.
4. STATE commitments you have made.
5. CONSIDER the harms and benefits of each option.
6. MAKE a decision.
7. EVALUATE your course of action.

(Matthew Campbell – Winston Hills Club)



A range of case studies

