

### **Code of Ethics**

### for

## the European Tree Worker and the European Tree Technician

EAC and arborists in general shall agree to the following Code of Ethics in order to promote in a professional manner, the arboricultural industry throughout Europe and other countries.

### They shall:

- Offer their arboricultural services in an unbiased, confidential, truthful and responsible manner.
- Comply to the accepted Best Practice Standards relating to arboricultural matters and national laws and policies within their working area.
- Be aware that:
  - trees are living organisms that deserve our respect
  - trees have numerous benefits for the environment and are essential for our wellbeing
  - any intervention to a tree will have an <u>effect</u> on the life and further development of the tree.
- Apply Safe Working Practice and Procedures and use appropriate and homologated equipment at all times to ensure the safety for themselves, including all co-workers and the general public
- Shall not misrepresent themselves by selling services or skills they do not possess,
  but rather seek more qualified assistance.
- Must exercise their professional judgement impartially to the best of their skill and understanding.



- Should avoid conduct that could cause a conflict of interest with any client, employer, employee, other professionals, affiliated trades or members of the public.
- Must have the necessary insurance to realistically cover any potential damage or injury claims.
- Be aware that they are a part of a professional collective aiming for the well-being of trees and to always consider the best interests of biodiversity in their work.
- Be aware that any operation carried out may affect the image and prestige of the arboricultural profession.

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# **EAC Code of Ethics Declaration Form**

I have read and understood EAC's Code of Ethics and confirm, by signing this declaration, that I will comply with its requirements to the best of my knowledge. Should I breach the Code of Ethics, I may face disciplinary action and possibly withdrawal of my ETW/ETT certification.

Signea:		 	 
Name in ca	apital letters	 	 
Place/Date	y.		