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## Code of Conduct for Political Entity Agents

In order to achieve high level of professionalism and to meet the international standards, the activities that PEs agents exercise are always controlled by five general principles, which are:

- **Follow the rules and regulations:** The PEs agents must always follow and respect all the valid Iraqi laws.
- **Precision:** The PEs agents must be truthful and trustful.
- **Objectivity:** For any conclusion, the PEs agents must depend on accurate overall review for all the related circumstances and facts.
- **Independence:** The PEs agents must take their decisions without interference, and work within the law.
- **Impartiality:** All the PEs agents must acknowledge and without bias the welfare of the electoral process and the basic values of democracy and protect it, putting it above any personal or political interest.

### As a PE agent, I am entitled to:

1. Closely follow up, in any stage, the electoral process.
2. Communicate with the IHEC's officials, and get any information the commission provides.
3. Communicate freely with all the PEs, coalitions, other political and social activities in the country, and the elections observers.
4. Pass my fears to the IHEC or to the concerned authorities.
5. Free access to the registration, polling, and tallying centers within the predetermined number for each center by IHEC.
6. Inspect the registration and elections materials before and after use to make sure of its validity and that the right stamps are in place.
7. Sign as a witness the registration or the polling lists or any report made while I am present.
8. Submit reports to the PE I am affiliated to.



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**All the PEs agents must pledge to work always in a manner that goes with the above general principles and sign and commit to the following code of conduct:**

1. Exercise my activities peacefully and respect the election officials, their position and authorities, show respect and appreciation to the election officials, registrars, voters, security officials and all the participants in the electoral process.
2. Not to carry weapon, or behave in an improper or aggressive way in any election site.
3. Not to act in a way that favors any PE or coalition by wearing or exhibiting election materials, participating in political activity or any similar act.
4. Not to take gifts or services from any entity, organization, or political person involved in the electoral process.
5. Not to interfere in any way in the activities of electoral authorities, other PEs, political candidates or Iraqi citizens, or any political matter in the country.
6. Follow the valid laws in Iraq.
7. Commit to the IHEC's regulations and work according to IHEC's directions including any reasonable request to leave specific area or specific site or not to enter to an election site, or to leave registration, polling or tallying center or any specific part of it.
8. Not to interfere or impede the electoral process.
9. Pin my PE agent badge, or show it and introduce my self to the IHEC's official when entering a registration, polling, tallying center, or any IHEC's facility or building.
10. Respect the confidentiality of polling, and not entering the polling booth.
11. Not to contact the voters to influence their voting or to interfere in any form in the secrecy of voting on Election Day or on conducting the polling.
12. Not to give guiding or information to people involved in the electoral process or give explanation to the valid laws.
13. Refrain from attempting to arbitrate disputes.
14. Take reasonable steps to make sure to draw IHEC's attention to all the information or the reports I receive, or any accident I notice that could indicate a possible breach to the electoral laws, this includes allegations of dishonesty, corruption, intimidation or violence.
15. Make sure that all the information I report is from a direct source and can be checked, collected, organized and put in report in an obvious way.
16. Not to announce or comment on the election results before the official announcement by the electoral authorities, and not to announce the winning PE.



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