



**CONDITIONS OF USE OF THE AFNOR  
COMPETENCE CERTIFICATION  
CODE OF ETHICS**

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## **1. Scope**

This procedure concerns the conditions of use of the AFNOR certification in cathodic protection and the rules and obligations :

- of certified persons
- of their potential employers.

It is also about, for the certified persons and their employers, their responsibility with respect to third parties and their obligations with respect to the CFPC.

## **2. Reference documents**

EN ISO/CEI 17024: Conformity assessment - General requirements for bodies operating certification of persons.

EN 15257 : Competence levels and certification of personnel in cathodic protection

CFPC Quality Manual

CFPC procedure BC/PR/1000: " Condition of allocation of certification (initial certification, renewal and re-certification) "

CFPC procedure BC/PR/5000: " Certification process (initial certification, renewal and re-certification) "

CFPC procedure BC/PR/16000: " Follow-up of certified persons "

## **3. Beneficiaries of the usage rights of the certification**

The beneficiaries of the right to use the certification AFNOR Compétence are the personnel specialized in cathodic protection who have satisfied the examination conditions that are defined in the standard EN 15257 for a level and a given sector of application and which comply with the conditions of certification or re-certification renewal.

## **4. Code of ethics for persons certified in cathodic protection**

The candidate who applies for the certification, agrees at the time of his registration to :

### **4.1. With respect to the customer**

According to the level which is described in the standard EN 15257 and in the Procedure CFPC BC/PR/1000:

- not to claim a higher level and / or different sector of application than he has obtained
- ensure that the execution of the works and adjustments are done with the highest integrity and in a spirit of fairness with respect to all the persons involved (employer, employees, customers and competitors)
- enforce or see that the regulations, codes, standards, contractual technical documents, and where necessary the procedures are enforced
- apply, or ensure that the safety requirements are applied
- Inform the employer if any of the requirements above that cannot be met.

### **4.2. With respect to third parties**

The results of the works shall not be communicated to any unauthorised third party other than the employer and the customer. All information is confidential.

### **4.3. With respect to the CFPC**

The certified person must :

- ensure, to take advantage of its certification, that his employer will respect the present procedure,
- Inform the CFPC of any change in employment or employer.

## **5. Code of ethics for employers of certified persons**

At the time of registration the employer commits to the certificate holder to :

### **5.1. With respect to third parties**

- carry out the cathodic protection works according to the standard EN 15257
- not to use the certification contrary to the rules regarding publicity
- not to use the certificate of a colleague if his certification is inaccurate or out of date
- not to take advantage of a colleague's higher level certificate and / or of an application field different to those obtained

### **5.2. With respect to personnel**

- to provide the necessary means to fulfill the works
- do not put any pressure to modify the results

## **6. Withdrawal of the usage rights of the AFNOR Compétence certification**

The withdrawal of the right to use the AFNOR Compétence certification is to be made in case of breach to the rules of this procedure or not meeting the renewal conditions of the certification or the re-certification (BC/PR/16000)

- respect the rules of the certification and especially those about the conditions of allocation of the certification (BC/PR/1000) and about the certification process (BC/PR/5000).
- not engage in fraudulent activity in the area of cathodic protection.