

GPAA of Northern Nevada Code of Ethics

- 1) I will respect private property.
- 2) I will not litter. I will always take out what I bring in and carry out what others have left behind to the best of my ability.
- 3) I will leave all gates and other accesses to land as found.
- 4) I will use thoughtfulness, consideration and courtesy at all times.
- 5) I will not damage natural resources, wildlife habitats, or any private property
- 6) I will abide by all laws, ordinances or regulations that may govern my search for the area I will be in.
- 7) I will fill all holes I make and those left by others regardless how remote the location, and never dig in a way that will damage, be damaging to, or kill vegetation.
- 8) I will report the discovery of significant historical value artifacts, in accordance with the latest laws.
- 9) I will always be prepared for the unexpected.
- 10) I will always observe all USDA Forest Service, BLM, Federal, State, Local Laws, and the US Army Corps of Engineers regulations, laws and rules concerning camping, fires, tree cutting, littering and mining for the area I will be in.
- 11) I will not disturb, undercut or undermine trees, flora or the banks of any stream or river.
- 12) While prospecting away from available toilet facilities I will scrape out a 'cathole' at least 200' away from trails, camping areas or waterways at least 4-6 inches deep. Or if required carry my waste out.
- 13) I will always obtain the proper permit for the type of prospecting I intend to do as required by Federal, State or local laws. (If so required)
- 14) I will always be mindful that I am responsible for my actions and I will always make positive assertion that what I am doing is legal and permitted for the area I am prospecting in. (It is your responsibility and no one else's to make sure what you are doing is legal and permitted in the area you are prospecting in and that the area you are in is open and you are legally allowed to be in that area.)
- 15) I will always carry the appropriate corporation card when required to be at certain locations or required to be at certain events or outings.
- 16) I will not disparage any member or the corporation.
- 17) I will be an ambassador to the art of prospecting.

All of our officers, committee chairpersons and committee members are volunteers. These people do their best to perform their tasks in an efficient manner. Be courteous to all

Corporation members! Any grievances will be in writing and sent to the President. In all cases be thoughtful of others.

Members who disregard Corporation rules and regulations of this Code of Ethics and or the corporation by-laws are subject to suspension or revocation of corporation membership.

Board of Directors

GPAA of Northern Nevada Reno