

WCTEP CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR

CODE of CONDUCT

- Maintain a professional relationship between other instructors, department personnel and students. Do not engage in open criticism of other instructors or department personnel or disagreements between instructors in front of a class.
- The use of alcoholic beverages of any kind before or during class is prohibited. Any complaints about an instructor using alcohol before or during class could result in an investigation by DNR personnel and may conclude with the immediate and permanent revocation of the instructor's certification.
- Profanity is not welcome in the classroom or in the field. Clothing (hats, t-shirts) shall not be worn which contain words or images that may be considered offensive or inappropriate to participants.
- Eating or smoking is not appropriate for instructors during periods of instruction. Save this for break time. For the comfort and consideration of others, smoking will not be permitted by anyone during class.
- All instructors are responsible for the actions of all assistants or helpers who are part of their class, and like the instructors, shall comply with the policies, guidelines, and codes governing the Trapper Education Program. Any mishandling of money or fraudulent claims will be investigated and may result in criminal action and/or the revocation of instructor certification.
- While setting traps, both in and out of class, always make sure your trap sets are constructed legally and ethically. Just because a set is legal, doesn't mean it is ethical. Exercise common sense and avoid areas where you are likely to catch non-target animals.
- Remain an Active Member and support the Wisconsin Trappers Association.
- Complete cooperation with the Statewide Coordinator, District Trapper Education Coordinator, and local Conservation Warden is essential and required at all times.
- A conviction for a violation of trapping, hunting, fishing or other criminal offense may result in the revocation of the instructor's certification.
- Personal contacts with students, **other than during a medical emergency**, is prohibited.

I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO THE ABOVE *CODE of CONDUCT*.

Lead Instructor Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

