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## General principles

Civil servants are expected at all times to respect the law and comply strictly with government regulations. They must work with dedication and diligence. They are required to use their utmost exertions to promote the interests of the Government on all occasions when the Government has a claim on their services.

In short, a civil servant:

- (a) must be honest and impartial in all dealings, both with members of the public and with other civil servants. He must discharge his duties in an accountable and fair manner;
- (b) must not use his official position to further his private interests nor put himself in a position where his private interests conflict (or may reasonably be suspected to conflict) with his official duties; and
- (c) must not engage in activities or behaviour which may bring into question the impartiality of the civil service or bring the service into disrepute.

Rules specific to particular activities are contained in individual regulations.

