

**National Board of Accreditation for Orthotic Suppliers  
Conflict of Interest Guidelines**

It is understood that surveyors may encounter instances where there is a conflict of interest. In response to that possibility, NABOS has established the following guidelines.

1. A surveyor will not participate in the accreditation process of any organization/facility in which he has a financial interest.
2. A surveyor will not participate in the accreditation process of any organization/facility in which he has an immediate family member (i.e. spouse, significant other, child, parent, or sibling of surveyor).
3. A surveyor will not participate in the accreditation process of any organization/facility in which he has applied for a position, or been employed at, over the last 3 years.
4. A surveyor will not participate in the accreditation process of any organization/facility in which he deems that he may be in competition with.
5. A surveyor will not participate in the accreditation process of any organization/facility which has a substantial contractual relationship with the surveyor and/or the surveyor's place of employment.
6. A surveyor will not act as a consultant to the accreditation (with the exception of advice on the accreditation process itself) to any other facilities applying for accreditation with NAOBS.
7. A surveyor will not participate in the accreditation process of any organization/facility that has identified that surveyor as someone in conflict with that organization.
8. NBAOS has the discretion to deem other relationships a conflict of interest when not expressly defined above.

**I have read the above policy on conflict of interest, and agree to follow those guidelines.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_