

Table of Formal Parliamentary Codes of Conduct, or Related Documents, for Caribbean Territories and Non-regional Commonwealth Jurisdictions

Documents in the table below were found using publicly available information online including on Google, local law libraries (where accessible), and local gazettes (where accessible), amongst other websites.

The documents indicated in this chart are not intended to be an exhaustive list of relevant documents for each jurisdiction. Rather this list indicates which jurisdictions have Parliamentary Codes of Conduct, and if none is found then it indicates the document found that is closest to a Parliamentary Code of Conduct for that jurisdiction.

For the purposes of this chart the following definitions are provided:

Parliamentary Code of Conduct: According to the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, this is a document providing guidance on the standards of conduct and ethical behaviour expected of Members of Parliament in the contributions they make to their parliament's functions. The purpose is to encourage ethical conduct, reduce risks to the integrity of the Parliament, enable it to perform its functions more effectively, enhance propriety and strengthen the community's trust in it. Codes of Conduct have a purpose different from Standing Orders which are primarily rules of procedure.

Ministerial Code of Conduct: The functions and purpose of a Ministerial Code are similar to a Parliamentary code, except the former is issued by the head of government (e.g. Prime Minister) and applies only to the cabinet or executive government. Breaches of a Ministerial Code are dealt with by the head of government.

Codes for Persons in Public Life: Within this region these codes are usually engrained in integrity legislation. These apply to holders of public office, the definition of which varies by jurisdiction but generally extends to members of parliament, civil service heads, and board members of statutory authorities, amongst others. Such codes are usually based on or contain the [Nolan Principles \(7 Principles of Public Life\)](#).

Other Rules, Policies and Protocols: These may include civil service codes applying to all levels of civil servants, political party codes and election codes.

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Regional Codes						
Anguilla				X	Anguilla Public Service Code of Ethics	Contains broad values for behavioural ethics and general financial controls.
Antigua			X		Integrity in Public Life Act 2004	The Code can be found in s.21/ the Second Schedule, breaches of which are a criminal offence. Contains financial controls preventing conflicts of interest

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						and ethical standards for behaviour.
Bahamas					Draft Integrity Commission Bill 2017	This Draft Bill contains separate codes for Parliamentarians, Ministers, Persons in Public Life covering fairly extensive financial controls preventing conflicts of interest and ethical standards for behaviour. It does not appear to yet be in force.
Barbados					Draft Integrity in Public Life Bill	This Draft Bill contains a provision to establish a Code of Conduct for Persons in Public Life, which includes, inter alia, Parliamentarians and Cabinet. The code itself is not provided.
Belize			X		Belize Constitution	S.121 contains a very general code with values for preventing conflicts of interest and maintaining ethical standards. Applies to parliamentarians and other Persons in Public Life.
Bermuda		X			Ministerial Code of Conduct 2018	Extensive and detailed code covering financial and behavioural standards preventing conflicts of interest at various levels within executive government.
British Virgin Islands				X	Code of Conduct for Political Parties and Candidates 2019	This code focuses on having free and fair elections, with a strong focus on behaviour and specifically preventing violence. Some provisions preventing bribery, fraud, other corruption.

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Cayman Islands			X	X	The Standards in Public Life Law 2014 Public Servant's Code of Conduct	The SPL Law has a limited code consisting of the Nolan Principles, and additionally provides for separate codes to be established for public officers. The PSCC is part of the Public Service Management Law (2018 Revision) and sets ethical standards for behaviour for civil servants.
Dominica			X		Integrity in Public Life Act 2003	Limited code in the Second Schedule with general anti-corruption provisions. Dominica appears to have an Elections Code of Conduct, but this could not be found.
Grenada			X		Integrity in Public Life Act 2013	An extensive code covering provisions for preventing conflicts of interest and general ethical standards for behaviour.
Guyana			X		Integrity Commission (Amendment of Code of Conduct) Order 2017	The ICACCO contains general provisions for preventing conflicts of interests and corruption, and setting ethical standards of behaviour, including preventing sexual misconduct. A Ministerial Code of Conduct (titled Ministerial Code of Service and Ministerial Responsibility) is referenced in news articles as being in force but cannot be found. NB: the Ministerial Code has been criticized for being ineffective .

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Jamaica		X	X		Ministry Paper 19/2002: Conduct of Ministers Integrity Commissions Act 2017	The MPCM contains the Nolan Principles along with procedures for preventing conflicts of interest and corruption, and some general ethical standards for behaviour. The ICA contains general financial controls for preventing conflicts of interests and limited ethical standards.
Montserrat			X	X	Integrity in Public Office Act 2010 Draft Public Service Code of Ethics and Integrity	The IPOA contains a limited code in the Second Schedule that covers prevention of conflicts of interest and ethical standards of behaviour. The PPCEI contains similar provisions for civil servants.
Saint Lucia						None found.
Saint Vincent & the Grenadines						None found.
St Kitts & Nevis			X		Integrity in Public Life Act 2013	The code in the Second Schedule contains fairly extensive provisions relating to preventing conflicts of interests and ethical standards of behaviour.
Trinidad & Tobago	X	X	X		Integrity in Public Life Act 2000 Code of Ethics for Parliamentarians Including Ministers Principles of Integrity for Persons in Public Life or	The IPLA contains a limited Code of Conduct in the Schedule that covers general preventions for conflicts of interest and standards for ethical behaviour. The COEPIM relates almost exclusively to financial interests with a few sections addressing

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					Exercising Public Functions	ethical standards for behaviour. The POIPILEPF appears to be a guide for developing codes of conduct and not a code itself.
Turks & Caicos	X	X	X		Code of Conduct for Persons in Public Life in TCI Code of Conduct for Ministers Integrity Commission Ordinance (2014 Revision)	Under s.102(3) of the TCI Constitution Order 2011 the Integrity Commission is afforded broad powers to formulate and maintain Codes of Conduct for persons in public life. The procedures for investigations of breaches are provided for under the ICO. The CCPPL listed here applies to Ministers, parliamentarians, civil servants and members of public boards. This is perhaps the most extensive code in effect regionally. It covers anti-corruption measures, preventing conflicts of interest, ethical standards of behaviour, election guidelines, and more.
Non-regional Codes						
Commonwealth Parliamentary Association	X				Recommended Benchmarks for Code of Conduct for Members of Parliament	This document is intended to serve as a guide for jurisdictions developing parliamentary codes of conduct.
UK House of Commons	X	X			The Code of Conduct and The Guide to the Rules relating to the Conduct of Members The Ministerial Code	These comprehensive codes cover establishing values, setting ethical standards of behaviour, preventing conflicts of interest, election guidelines, etc.
Australia						Many Australian state

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						parliaments have codes for members, such as Tasmania , but this is not reflected on a federal level. A report ¹ indicates that attempts have been made to implement a federal parliamentary code of conduct.
New Zealand						A guide for parliamentarians, called Parliamentary Practice , exists, but it is not clear whether the requirements therein are binding in any way.
Canada	X				Standing Orders of the House of Commons – Appendix I – Conflict of Interest Code for Members of the House of Commons Standing Orders of the House of Commons - Appendix II - The Code of Conduct for Members of the House of Commons: Sexual Harassment Between Members	These codes prevent conflicts of interest and set ethical standards regarding sexual misconduct and how complaints of the same will be investigated.

¹ The UK House of Commons Committee on Standards issued (in 2015) a report on codes of conduct for parliaments in Australia, New Zealand, Canada and USA containing useful comparative tables on types of instruments employed, sanctions used, etc., titled [Parliamentary self-regulation: Australia \(House of Commons\), Canada \(House of Commons\), New Zealand and the USA](#).