



CEP Academic Integrity Policy

The Certified Electrical Professional (CEP) certificate recognizes industry learners who have successfully completed all the program learning requirements and have achieved a passing score on the final exam. CEP candidates are expected to adhere to standards of industry professionalism and academic integrity.

Specifically, you agree to follow this code of ethics in your professional activities:

To comply with laws and governmental regulations, electrical distribution practices and related professional standards.

- To refrain from behaviors involving dishonesty, fraud, or misrepresentation.
- To refrain from unlawful discrimination in professional activities, including discrimination based on age, race, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender orientation, religion, national origin, or disability. Professional activities include interactions with customers, employers, coworkers and other professionals.
- To refrain from other conduct or behavior that is contrary to legal, ethical, or accepted professional standards or requirements.

You also agree to demonstrate academic integrity as you complete the CEP final exam by attesting that:

- You are the individual associated with this NAED Learning Center user account.
- All responses to the exam questions will be provided solely by you.
- You will neither seek nor receive outside assistance for your responses.

Should NAED detect any signs of cheating or plagiarism, we reserve the right to contact the management of the student(s) involved, request that the student retake the final exam, and/or deny the CEP certificate to any student found to have cheated, plagiarized, or to have aided another student in cheating or plagiarism.

Definition of Cheating

Cheating is defined as obtaining or attempting to obtain, or aiding another to obtain credit for work, or any improvement in evaluation of performance, by any dishonest or deceptive means.

Examples of cheating include, but are not limited to the following:

- Copying answers from another's original work, including responses from another's CEP final exam.
- Discussion at any time regarding answers or questions on the final examination, unless such discussion is specifically authorized by NAED.
- Taking or receiving copies of the CEP final examination without the permission of NAED.
- Allowing someone other than the officially enrolled student to represent the student on the Learning Center where the exam is administered.

Definition of Plagiarism

Plagiarism is defined as the act of using the ideas or work of another person or persons as if they were one's own without giving proper credit to the source. This can include a failure to use quotation marks when quoting directly from another or close and lengthy paraphrasing of another's writing without credit or originality.

Such an act is *not* plagiarism if it is ascertained that the ideas were arrived at through independent reasoning or logic or where the thought or idea is common knowledge.

Examples of plagiarism include, but are not limited to the following:

- The submission of work, including responses to exam questions, either in part or in whole, completed by another.

If you have questions about this policy, please email us at education@naed.org.