

## Policy for Social Media Prescreening/Takedown

CA welcomes the participation and comments of its followers on social media and values the engagement that can provide our community. Our social media pages and the conversation associated with them are governed by general rules of respectful and civil discussion.

The individuals who wish to engage in online conversation are fully responsible for their posts. While comments and conversations are not prescreened, interactions on CA pages are constantly monitored and managed. Participants are subject to the following rules and expectations:

- Commenters are urged to stay on topic.
- Abusive, vulgar, offensive, racist, threatening or harassing content, personal attacks of any kind, or offensive terms that target specific individuals or groups will not be tolerated
- No spam or content that promotes services or products, or that involves political campaigning or lobbying is allowed.
- Avoid comments that give the appearance of legal, medical or financial advice.
- Do not provide personal information of any kind while posting, including a home address, home or cell phone number or personal email address.
- Gratuitous links to sites and repeat submissions of the same (or very similar) contributions are viewed as spam and may result in the content being removed.
- Do not post anything that you do not have the right to post or include links to copyright infringing material. Anyone who violates copyright will be subject to a notice and takedown procedure for complaints of copyright violation under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act.
- Communications made through social media posts, e-mail, webinars and messaging systems will in no way constitute a legal or official notice or comment to CA or any CA employee.
- All user-generated content is released into the public domain unless the participant clearly states otherwise. In other words, do not submit anything you do not wish to broadcast to the general public.

Users who do not comply with these standards of conduct may be blocked. Additionally, comments or threads may be deleted if they violate the aforementioned rules.

CA does not discriminate against any views, but the organization will monitor content as it chooses, reserving the right to remove user generated content for any reason without consent.



If you witness someone violating this code of conduct on CA's social media pages, reach out to <u>Communications@columbiaassociation.org</u> or message CA directly through its Facebook, Instagram and Twitter pages.

Thank you for keeping this a safe and respectful space for our community!