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Our goals are in line with those of the UN Global Compact principles. We consider International Control Services to be an oustanding place to work. Our employees enjoy great work hours, a clean facility and temperature controlled work areas.

We support equal opportunity for all both in hiring practices and promoting from within. Again this year, we have secured exceptional health insurance at an affordable rate. The company not only pays a large portion of the monthly premium but also provides dental, vision, disability and life insurance at no cost to the employee.

We take pride in operating under a code of ethics which is not compromised in any way. We will not knowingly do business with vendors, suppliers or companies who violate human rights, labor laws or anti-corruption policies; or who continue environmentally unsafe practices.

International Control Services will continue to support the 10 Principles of the Global Compact iniative and look forward to reporting progress in the coming year.

Regards,

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# **HUMAN RIGHTS:**

<u>Principle 1</u>: Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights.

Human Rights, as it relates to this company, applies primarily to the right of every employee to be treated fairly without fear of physical harm or harassment of any kind, and the right to report incidents without retaliation. It is also the right of every employee to be treated equally in the areas of training, employee development, and the opportunity to be promoted within the company as the skill set and knowledge required for the position are met.

ICS has embraced a Value-Added approach toward employees, policies, safety, and family. Some of those Value-Added activities are;

- Suggestion Box available for submission of any type as part of the open-door policy
  - 2015-2016: We have received many profitable suggestions from employees and they have been rewarded and recognized for their efforts in this.
  - 2016-2017: employees had many suggestions that made a real difference in processes or production. At the all employee meetings that take place on the first Monday of every month, 2-3 winners are announced, their suggestion is read and they get a spin on our ICS Wheel of Fortune for prizes ranging from \$25 - \$60 in prizes or paid time off.
  - 2017-2018: Expanded this to include unlimited number of good suggestion winners to promote further input from employees on processes and cost saving ideas.
  - 2018-2019: Continue to reward employees for suggestions to improve processes and work- related challenges.
  - 2019-2020: Our employees continue to engage in this program and take pride in working more
    efficiently and safely in the work place. We regularly reward employees who participate in this
    monthly program.
  - 2020-2021: We continue to drive this program and focus on the continuous improvement suggestions made by the employees each month. We have received some great recommendations that have been implemented throughout the facility. It's great to see the employees rewarded in front of their peers for their contributions to process improvement.
  - 2021-2022: This program continues to be a success. Employees look forward the All Staff Monthly meeting each month to find out if their suggestion(s) made the cut.
- > Employee Recognition for years of service at the monthly all employee meeting and on the monitors in the break rooms for that entire month
- > Employee Recognition for Perfect Attendance for the year
- > Birthday cards with a gift card to a local restaurant presented to each employee on their birthday.
- > Cookouts and parties for employees at various times throughout the year
- Work hours that help support a more family friendly balance to life and work activities
- > Additional paid time off available for employees to earn with great attendance
- > Training available for employees to sharpen their skills in various computer software programs and opportunities for advancement within the facility
- > Flu/Pneumonia vaccinations are available to employees who carry health insurance

Company benefits include health, vision, dental insurance, life and disability insurance. Paid personal time and vacation time are also provided.

This company complies and strictly adheres to the Equal Employment Opportunity Policy without regard to race, creed, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disabilities, veteran status, sexual orientation, marital status, military status, or any other characteristic protected by state or federal law.

### **Additional Information Supporting Principle 1**:

**Suggestion Box** is available and all employees are encouraged to make suggestions regarding processes or company activity that would improve productivity, quality, policies and employee morale.

**Years of Service Recognition** is presented monthly at the all employee meeting and on monitors in the building throughout the month.

**Training Recognition** is usually done at the all employee meetings. Employees take pride in their training efforts to improve their knowledge base and develop different skills within the company.

#### Paid Time Off for Good Attendance

Paid Personal Points are awarded to employees with perfect attendance for the week. Hourly employees gain (+.25) points per week. 1 full point is worth 2 hours of paid time off. Over the course of a year, employees can gain 24 hours of paid time off just for having good attendance. This is above what is allocated as vacation or paid personal time.

#### **Special Events**

Holiday parties, cookouts, and special events take place throughout the year.

SDG\*2015-2016 As part of our ongoing efforts to help with hunger in our community, ICS participates in an annual food drive to help stock the local food pantry. The food pantry provides food for thousands of families who are living in poverty and/or find themselves in a desperate situation.

- Goal for 2015 was 100 pounds of food collected- result was 150 pounds of food
- Goal for 2016 is 150 pounds- Result was approximately 200 pounds of food
- Goal for 2017 is 200 pounds- Were not able to participate after all in 2017
- Goal for 2018 is 200 pounds- Back on target for 2018 with the food drive date of 10/4/18. Results to be announced at the next food drive
- Goal for 2019 is 200 pounds for the Annual Food drive that takes place in October, 2019
- <u>2020- due to COVID, the Annual Food drive accepted monetary donations instead of food donations and our company participated with a \$150 donation.</u>
- 2021- we are awaiting details for the Annual Food drive but plan to participate this year for our 7<sup>th</sup> year in a row.

#### **Work Hours**

Hourly manufacturing employees primarily work 7:00am - 3:30pm, Monday-Friday (1<sup>st</sup> shift) or 4:00pm to 2:30am, Monday-Thursday (2<sup>nd</sup> shift). This work schedule(s) accommodates after work or before work appointments and the ability to take care of family or personal needs. Office and support personnel are able to request flexible schedules to accommodate the same needs.

# **Company Benefits**

At least 75% of the monthly Medical premium cost for the employee is paid by the company. Dental Insurance for the employee is free. The company also provides \$25,000-\$50,000 term life insurance coverage at no cost to the employee as well as short-term & long-term disability insurance, also paid for by the company. Vacation and paid personal paid time off are also part of the company benefits depending on position and years of service.

2017: We were able to secure a more comprehensive Health Insurance package providing better coverage and no cost increase at no additional cost to employees.

2018: Due to the rising cost of healthcare ICS offers affordable rates and 2 plan options for which employees may choose.

2019: Again the rising cost of health insurance has caused rate increases but still meet the requirements of the Affordable Care Act. This year we have two added benefits to our plan which should help reduce the cost of prescription drugs and offset out of pocket expenses for employees.

2020: The company experienced another increase to our health insurances this year but we also added a third medical plan option for employees that is more of a preventative/catastrophic plan still in compliance with the ACA. This gave the employees an additional option for what was best for their needs and one that was a less costly deduction. The company also added Vision insurance to our benefit package that will be fully employee funded if they opt in for it.

2021: ICS received competitive bids this year due the improvement of the overall health of our group. We did not need to increase our employee's rates and we were able to get a decrease in deductibles for all three plans provided and provide a national coverage plan instead of regional, which was a great positive for our employees. All other benefits are still available.

# Hiring Training & Developing-

At ICS, we are always looking to promote from within as skills allow. We launched a Technician apprenticeship program and are looking forward to some additional programs to help train and educate our workforce. A team of highly skilled employees are now delivering extensive training to the manufacturing personnel.



International Control Services, Inc. will meet or exceed customer expectations as well as statutory and regulatory requirements by

- . Building Quality Products That Meet or Exceed Industry
- Selling at a Competitive and Fair Price
  Striving to Ship On-Time, Every Time
  Continuously Improving our Products, Processes, and
- Services

  Hiring, Training, and Developing a Dedicated Workforce

#### \*Flu Vaccination-

- 2012: ICS offered free influenza vaccination for those wishing to participate.
  - 43 Employees of 108 employees chose to participate
- 2013: The influenza vaccination is part of our wellness benefits through our health insurance at no cost to those who have the health insurance.
- 2014: The influenza vaccination is still part of the wellness benefit through our health insurance.
- 2015: There are several vaccinations that were added as part of wellness through the company insurance
- 2016: Health insurance provides preventive care at no cost
- 2017: Health insurance provides flu vaccination as no cost under preventive care 0
- 2018: Health Insurance provides flu vaccination as no cost under preventive care
- 2019 Vaccinations are at no cost under preventive care

- 2020 Vaccinations continue to be a no cost option for our employees under preventative care
- o 2021- each of the three medical plan options available provide vaccinations at no cost to the employee

# **Principle 2:** We do not knowingly allow human rights abuses.

We have limited knowledge of the practices and ethical behavior of the companies with whom we do business. Their practices should evidence the respect of human rights as well. International Control Services will not knowingly do business with customers and suppliers who willfully violate Human Rights.

#### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

The Mission of International Control Services is to provide Electronic Manufacturing Services (EMS) that Exceed Customer Expectations in both Quality and On Time Delivery while at the same time providing the industry's Best Value.

Our Code of Ethics is being communicated to our vendors, suppliers, and customers in order to share our convictions on Human Rights and the UN Global Compact Principles.

#### Equal Employment Opportunity Policy

International Control Services, Inc. is committed to conduct all personnel activity without regard to race, creed, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disabilities, veteran status, sexual orientation, marital status, military status, or any other characteristic protected by state or federal law.

The company believes in and practices equal opportunity employment. Human Resources serves as the Equal Opportunity coordinator and ICS management has overall responsibility for ensuring compliance with this policy. All employees are responsible for supporting the concept of equal opportunity and assisting the company in meeting its objectives.

In adhering to this policy, managers and supervisors operate within applicable laws and expect competent, satisfactory job performance on the part of all employees.

Employees may discuss equal employment opportunity-related questions with their immediate supervisor or the Human Resources Department.

# Anti-Discrimination / Harassment Policy

International Control Services will neither condone nor tolerate harassment of any type. This includes harassment due to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, age, or any other protected characteristic under state or federal law.

Our company follows state and federal laws in prohibiting discrimination and harassment in the workplace. The work environment is not limited to this company premises, but includes company functions, business travel, and other work-related activities.

This policy applies to all employees and all non-employees including customers/clients, visitors, suppliers, vendors, contractors, temporary workers, or other individuals with whom an ICS employee comes into contact during the

daily performance of his/her job. It is understood that any of these individuals listed may be a victim or a violator under this policy.

Employees and all others in the workplace are expected to conduct themselves professionally, in a manner befitting the work environment and with respect for one another.

## Definition of harassment

Harassment is defined as a single incident or a pattern of behavior which entails verbal, physical, or psychological harassment and/or abuse of any nature.

# How to report harassment

If the employee been the subject of sexual or other harassment, the employee should bring the complaint to management without fear of retaliation. Reporting an incident quickly will allow the company to immediately address the complaint. A delay in the complaint only makes the investigation less clear so please report incidents in a timely manner. The report should be made to:

> A management individual with whom you feel comfortable; or the HR Department.

If an employee witnesses or suspects sexual or other harassment, the information must be immediately conveyed to a member of management.

### **Investigation process**

All complaints will be promptly and thoroughly investigated by management/HR staff, who will conduct a fair and impartial investigation.

Interim measures may be taken pending full investigation and resolution of the complaint, such as temporary reassignments or separating the alleged violator and the complainant.

Complaints will remain confidential except where circumstances require that information be shared in order to conduct a thorough investigation.

Results of the investigation will be communicated to the individual who files the complaint.

If the investigation reveals that an employee has engaged in harassment, that individual will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including discharge.

# Additional Information

If an employee brings a complaint and does not feel that the matter has been satisfactorily resolved, the matter should be escalated to a manager or HR for further investigation.

ICS will not tolerate any form of retaliation toward employees who come forward with harassment complaints. Any retaliation incidents must be reported to the immediate supervisor and HR Supervisor.

In compliance with the Illinois Human Rights Act, ICS conducts new hire and annual comprehensive Sexual Harassment Training yearly for all employees.

# Workplace Violence Policy

International Control Services will do everything possible to insure the employees are protected from violence in the workplace. The workplace is not limited to company premises, but includes all environments where work-related activities are performed, such as off-site meeting locations and business travel.

For purposes of this policy, "violence" includes physically harming another, shoving, pushing, harassing, intimidating, coercing, brandishing weapons, bullying, threatening or talking of engaging in those activities.

This policy applies to all employees, all non-employees including customers/clients, visitors, suppliers, vendors, contractors, temporary workers, and other individuals with whom company employees come into contact with during work duties. Any of these individuals may be a victim or a violator under company policy.

#### **Procedures**

Verbal threats or physical actions will not be tolerated. Employees are expected to promptly and accurately report all violent incidents, whether or not physical injuries have resulted, to the immediate supervisor.

To ensure security, the company reserves inspection rights for all company and associates' property located on its premises, including workstations, desks, file cabinets, and lockers. This right extends to desks, computers (e-mail and internet) and telephones (messages). Department supervisors, managers, or Human Resources can search or authorize a search of company property.

In cases of workplace violence, supervisors, managers, or Human Resources may contact and involve local law enforcement authorities as necessary.

The company will not tolerate any form of retaliation toward an employee who reports workplace violence. Any retaliatory incident must be reported to management. Retaliatory incidents will result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

# LABOR:

**Principle 3:** Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining.

ICS does not discriminate against employees because of their views on unions and union activity.

While ICS is not a union facility, we continue to treat employees fairly, offering benefits comparable to those companies who are union.

ICS does adhere to and comply with the right to collective bargaining and have posted legally required information regarding that right in plain view for employees to read.

**Principle 4:** the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labor.

Other than overtime required for customer needs, ICS does not have forced or compulsory labor and does not condone the mistreatment of people in this regard. Overtime is typically on a voluntary basis first.

ICS does not knowingly do business with customers or vendors who promote forced or compulsory labor activity.

### **Overtime Policy**

A healthy balance between work and home life is important to everyone. The goal of the company is to accomplish the manufacturing requirements necessary to meet our customers' delivery expectations within a normal 40hour work week.

When overtime is required due to customer demands, labor shortages, part issues, or the like, every effort will be made by the company to give as much notice as possible.

Management may be able to use volunteers to accomplish the overtime needs, but that is not always an option.

When mandatory overtime becomes the only option and employees are required to work on a non-scheduled work day, the company will try to notify employees two days before the scheduled day. Again, this shall not apply when overtime is critical in order to meet special needs of customers when machine repair is necessary in order to maintain regular operations for the next scheduled workday.

On occasion employees may submit a written request to be excused from the mandatory overtime for a specific event. Once this request has been discussed with the immediate supervisor it is then to be submitted to the HR department, who will handle appropriate disposition. While submitting a written request does not guarantee approval, ICS will make a reasonable effort to accommodate the employee's personal need, but the work flow and customers' needs placed upon the company will determine the decision on the overtime requirement.

It is the essential that employees are able to work overtime when necessary to meet the needs of our customers.

In the event of a medical condition which prevents an employee from working overtime, ICS will abide by ADA regulations and grant that request with proper certification and submission of documentation from a physician. Should this become long term, re-certification will be required annually.

ICS does have the option to change an employees' work schedule to meet production requirements.

# Principle 5: the effective abolition of child labor; and

ICS upholds the abolition of child labor and only employs those who are at least 18 years or older. ICS has been known to allow employment of students during the summer with proper work permits. These students are paid the same wage as full-time employees, which is above minimum wage. We adhere to all regulations set forth by the state for minors regarding breaks, meal periods, and safe working conditions.

**Principle 6:** the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.

Most of this is covered in the Human Rights portion as it fits both areas

- > Equal Opportunity Employer
- Anti-Discrimination / Harassment Policy
- > Fair wages above federal and state mandated minimum wage
- Encouragement of employee development and promoting from within (Career Path) Equal Opportunity
  - Currently have a program which allows employees to get additional training necessary for their career path or current position.
- Development of an employee mentorship program
  - Helping new employees adjust to the new work environment and promote engagement

Aid with on-the-job training

# **Environment:**

<u>Principle 7:</u> Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges;

ICS supports this challenge by responsibly recording and reporting hazardous chemicals used in our processes and the facility as a whole. Our reporting regarding OSHA and such are as follows;

- > TRI Reporting (R) form must be completed by July 1<sup>st</sup> of every year to show how much lead is used on an annual basis.
- OSHA Report is kept current and logged with OSHA when required. Report completed and posted as required by law.
- > Annual Tier II Reporting is part of our protocol.
- > Globally Harmonized System (GHS) and Labelling of Chemicals is a requirement in the United States. This practice is followed carefully for the safety of all individuals who come into this facility and allows us to be able readily identify chemicals used and the hazards of exposure in the workplace.

Principle 8: undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility;

- Lead free processes are being used in the manufacture of electronics as the parts become available
- Solder Reclaiming System was purchased in 2013 continues to reduce the amount of lead sent out to recycling centers.
  - In 2012 our solder recycling was 438 lbs
  - 2013 solder recycling was 198 lbs
  - 2014 solder recycling was 154 lbs
  - 2015 Significant Increase in business drove usage to a higher level at 277lbs recycled
  - 2016 Again significant increase in business drove usage to a higher level of 567 recycled
  - 2017 Significant increase in business drove usage to higher level of 1032
  - 2018 we saw a significant decrease of usage with only 212 lb recycled
  - 2019 due to increased business, we experienced an increase with 506 lb recycled
  - 2020 due to less usage of leaded solder, we experienced a decrease with only 310 lb recycled
- Green alternatives for facility maintenance and manufacturing are being purchased as they are made available.

**Principle 9:** encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.

ICS continues to find ways to improve processes and add environmentally friendly products. Going lead-free is our greatest opportunity to impact the environment in a positive way. We continue to encourage our customers to add lead-free part numbers and options to their products as a way impact our environment. Some components are not available in lead-free options. ICS is transitioning as customers allow and will continue in that effort.

# **Anti-Corruption:**

Principle 10: businesses should work against all forms of corruption, including extortion and bribery

Our only association with this is to discourage any corrupt behavior within our scope of influence. We are committed to doing business in a professional, legal, and appropriate manner. The Code of Ethics was been added to our hand book.

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### **ICS Code of Ethics Policy**

The successful business operation and reputation of International Control Services is built upon principles of fair dealing and the ethical conduct both internally and externally with regard to co-workers, employees, visitors, customers, and vendors.

Our reputation for integrity and excellence requires careful observance of the highest standards of conduct and personal integrity.

The definition of integrity with regard to ethics is honesty and truthfulness or accuracy of one's actions. We must set a standard of possessing and steadfastly adhering to high moral principles or professional standards and behavior in the workplace.

It is the policy of the company to require <u>all employees</u> regardless of title or position, to adhere to these standards. All employees are expected to conduct business (internally and externally) with integrity and to refrain from dishonest or unethical conduct.

Ethical behavior of employees and management is the key to continued success of ICS. Our core values will be instrumental in building and maintaining the trust and respect necessary in the business world today.

The purpose of this Code is to strengthen the Company's ethical climate and to provide basic guidelines for situations in which ethical issues arise. We strive to do business with customers and suppliers of sound business character and reputation.

This Code applies to all employees regardless of position. Every employee of the Company will be held responsible for the observance of this Code.