

A Clown's Code

1. Respect your art.

Consider your ability to clown a gift from God.

Learn, practice, and improve constantly.

Apply makeup in a professional manner.

Keep clothing and props clean, attractive, and well-maintained.

Stay in character when in public.

Perform as often as possible.

2. Respect your audience.

Clown only to amuse, entertain, and make a difference in people's lives.

Be pleasant and considerate of others at all times.

Be on time for all appearances.

Poke fun at yourself, not at the expense or embarrassment of others.

Keep every performance and appearance in good taste, appropriate in action, comedy, and language for all ages.

Be understanding of those who do not care to interact with a clown.

3. Respect yourself and other performers.

Be in good physical condition.

Abstain from alcohol and tobacco before, during, and after performances, especially while in character.

Support, respect, and never interfere with the acts of other performers.

Inspired by the teachings of Steve "TJ Tatters" Smith