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IT Specialists

IT specialists may not directly deal with matters of life and death, but they might be building software that does. Beyond that, in a software-defined world, their actions can impact people's lives in a myriad of other ways, from accidentally enabling the exposure of sensitive data in data breaches to delivering inaccurate analytics results. That's why IT specialists have their own code of ethics, best exemplified by the [Association for Computing Machinery \(ACM\)](#) guidelines. This example of code of ethics provides guidelines for protecting user privacy and mitigating the potential harmful impact of the developed software.