

Is it Ethical or Unethical?

Place an “E” in the space provided if you believe the behavior is ethical for criminal justice professionals. Place a “U” in the space provided if you believe the behavior is unethical.

- ___ 1. Accepting a reduced price meal from a local diner.
- ___ 2. Accepting a ride from a member of an offender’s family when your car is in for service.
- ___ 3. Covering with his supervisor for a colleague who is experiencing some personal problems at home.
- ___ 4. Overlooking a close friend’s violation of a petty department rule.
- ___ 5. Periodically taking a mental health day.
- ___ 6. Telling a colleague about an offender’s sexual history.
- ___ 7. Having your car serviced at a garage where an offender works.
- ___ 8. Curtailing field visits when you know there is a budget crunch, especially in reimbursement for gas.
- ___ 9. Asking to use the bathroom at an offender’s home.
- ___ 10. Failing to tell the supervisor when you think you see a colleague having dinner with an offender on your caseload.
- ___ 11. Telling a “little white lie” to protect a peer or colleague.
- ___ 12. Treating offenders differently than the general public.
- ___ 13. You ask a court clerk whom you work with all the time to reschedule a hearing that interferes with personal plans.
- ___ 14. Finding ways around departmental policy and procedures that get in the way of your doing your job.