Yellow Team Code of Ethics

**Honesty:** *Team members shall be honest in all 2.009 tasks.*
- Report results truthfully and fully, be impartial, and don't let biases affect the report.
- Act in adherence with the MIT Academic Integrity Policy.

**Respect:** *Team members shall act appropriately and constructively with teammates.*
- **R-E-S-P-E-C-T**
  - Act with the knowledge that others’ opinions carry the same value as one's own
  - Treat all member contributions with the proper amount of care and consideration, such that all team members are sufficiently heard.
  - Be aware of how one's words and actions will affect others mentally and physically.

**Communication:** *Team members shall communicate fully and promptly.*
- Provide clear and accurate information, ideas, and data.
- Share product or personal issues immediately so the team can work toward a solution.
- Critique the idea, not the person; separate people and ideas.

**Responsibility:** *Team members shall work effectively on their assumed responsibilities.*
- Actively consider physical and environmental health; safety should be the highest priority in any decision.
- Follow through with assumed responsibilities -- if unexpected circumstances arise and one is unable to accomplish a task, the person is still responsible for working with others to complete the task.
- Check in with other members' work and stay updated with team progress.

**Decision Making:** *Team members shall make decisions to the best of their ability -- with sufficient information, proper discussion, and via justified methods.*
- Be well-informed and make sure everyone has a proper chance to express their thoughts and concerns before attempting to make a decision.
- Utilize objective analysis rather than popular opinion to inform decisions.
- Make decisions via justified methods (situationally dependent), reaching the best consensus possible.

**“Same Ship, Same Crew” (Team Unity):** *Team members shall act in the interest of the team as a whole.*
- Put forth the same amount of effort toward creating a positive and productive team environment, regardless of team direction.
- Act in the interest of making 2.009 a productive learning experience for all involved.
- Care and support the health of fellow members -- a team functions best with healthy and happy people.
- Address problems as they arise.

**Budget:** *Team members shall make purchases abiding by Yellow Team's financial rules.*
- Abide by spending budgets created by the team; if changes are needed, allow time for proper response and action.
- Follow the purchase process outlined by the team financial officers when making all purchases.
- Use project money only for 2.009-related expenses.