

## **Grounds for Disciplinary Action**

The Pilates Method Alliance has established the following guidelines to inform certificants, candidates for certification, and the public of its requirement for adherence to professional standards. The Pilates Method Alliance may refuse to certify, suspend, or revoke an existing certification or otherwise take action with regard to the application or certification of an individual in the event of any of the following:

1. Ineligibility for certification or certification renewal.
2. Irregularity in connection with any certification exam.
3. Unauthorized possession, use, or distribution of exam score reports, trademarks, logos, written materials, answer sheets, certificates, certificant or applicant files, or other confidential or proprietary materials (registered or otherwise) of the Pilates Method Alliance or the testing body.
4. Material misrepresentation or fraud in any statement to the Pilates Method Alliance, to an employer or potential employer, or to the public, including but not limited to statements made to help the individual apply for, obtain, or retain certification.
5. Any physical, mental, or emotional condition of either temporary or permanent nature, including, but not limited to, substance abuse, which impairs or has the potential to impair competent and objective professional performance.
6. Negligent and/or intentional misconduct in professional work, including, but not limited to, physical or emotional abuse, disregard for safety, or the unauthorized release of confidential information.
7. The timely conviction, plea of guilty, or plea of nolo contendere in connection with a felony or misdemeanor that is directly related to public health and/or Pilates instruction or education and that impairs or has the potential to impair competent and objective professional performance and/or public confidence in the profession. These include, but are not limited to, rape, sexual abuse, actual or threatened use of a weapon or violence, or the prohibited sale, distribution, or possession with intent to distribute of a controlled substance.