

Ten Texting Dos and Don'ts

- 1. Don't send a text if you should make a call. If you know that the subject of your communication requires back and forth communication, pick up the phone or send an email.
- 2. Don't text bad news. Evaluate when a phone call or a meeting is in order.
- 3. Don't type in CAPS. It's shouting!
- 4. Don't assume that people know acronyms... like TTYL (talk to you later) or JK (just kidding).
- 5. Use punctuation to maintain professionalism.
- 6. Proof your messages. Take a moment to review your copy before you press send.
- 7. Get to the point. If you have a lot to share, consider calling.
- 8. Include your name and title at the end of the message.
- 9. Return text messages if someone sends you one.
- 10. Show respect and courtesy. If you would not say your comment to someone's face, don't text it.

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