

Hazing Contract

To be completed by the chapter President and New Member Educator

Panhellenic/IFC Definition of Hazing

Hazing is a broad term encompassing any action or activity which does not contribute to the positive development of a person; which inflicts or intends to cause physical or mental harm or anxieties; which may demean, degrade or disgrace any person, regardless of location, intent or consent of participants. Hazing can also be defined as any action or situation which intentionally or unintentionally endangers a student for admission into affiliation with any student organization.

Activities Considered to be Hazing

- Staging any form of line-up
- Marking or branding
- Treasure or scavenger hunts, road trips
- Calling new members by anything but their first names (i.e. "pledge Smith")
- Requiring calisthenics such as sit-ups, push-ups, etc.
- Preventing/restricting class attendance or sleep
- Forcing someone to eat/drink against his/her will
- Requiring uncomfortable or ridiculous dress (i.e. suits/dresses to class)
- Conducting any type of Hell Week activities or calling any pre-initiation activity Hell Week
- Requiring new members to practice any periods of silence
- Prohibiting new members from being alone (i.e. walking to class)

Although not every hazing incident is listed above, this gives an overview. If your new member educator, president or active member questions whether an activity is hazing, or not, please contact the Campus Life Office x4201. Remember, if you think it's hazing, it probably is!

As a member of _____ I have read and am familiar with the Panhellenic/IFC definition of hazing, activities considered to be hazing, and the California State laws on hazing as outlined in the Seaver College Student Handbook. I understand the consequences of hazing and make a commitment to abide by all policies and laws pertaining to hazing. I will not encourage, promote, or participate in hazing activities. Should I violate the Pepperdine hazing policy, I realize I am putting myself and entire chapter in jeopardy and will face University and Panhellenic/IFC penalties and/or criminal penalties as defined by California State law.

Signature

Date

Name

Office

