

LSU Athletics unequivocally opposes any situation either intentionally or unintentionally that produces mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule. Subjecting a person either voluntarily or involuntarily to anything that may abuse, mistreat, degrade, humiliate, harass or intimidate another individual will not be tolerated.

Hazing means an act by an individual or a group that, as an explicit or implicit condition for initiation to, admission into, affiliation with, or continued membership in a group or organization, regardless of consent. In addition, any requirement by a team member that compels another member to participate in any activity which is against University policy or state/federal law will be defined as hazing.

1. Endangers the physical health or safety of a person or would cause a reasonable person severe emotional distress;
2. Results in the destruction or removal of public or private property;
3. Involves the consumption of alcohol or drugs; Page 17 of 24
4. Involves the consumption of substances to excess or placement of substances on the body;
5. Involves sexual activity;
6. Involves violation of federal, state or local law or University policy; or
7. Disrupts the academic performance or class attendance of a person.

It is not a defense to a charge of hazing that (i) the consent of the person had been obtained; (ii) the conduct or activity that resulted in the death or injury of a person was not part of an official organizational event or was not otherwise sanctioned or approved by the organization; or (iii) the conduct or activity that resulted in death or injury of the person was not done as a condition of membership to an organization.

The following is a non-exclusive list of examples of acts which, regardless of severity, constitute hazing:

- Physical brutality, such as whipping, beating, paddling, striking, branding, electronic shocking, placing of a harmful substance on the body, or similar activity;
- Physical activities, such as sleep deprivation, exposure to the elements or extreme conditions, imprisonment, confinement, or calisthenics;
- Consumption of food, liquid, or any other substance, including but not limited to alcoholic beverages or drugs, that subjects the person to an unreasonable risk of harm or that may adversely affect the physical health or safety of the person;
- Placement of substances on the body of a person;
- Kidnapping or dropping a person off campus without return transportation;
- Activity that induces, causes, or requires an individual to perform a duty or task that involves the commission of a crime or an act of hazing.

I understand that LSU Athletics has a zero tolerance policy for students engaging in Hazing activities that will result in individual and/or team sanctions. I also understand that Hazing that is considered a violation of State law and may result in legal (criminal charges) which could result in imprisonment of the responsible individual(s) and a substantial monetary fine.

RS 14:40.8 (<http://legis.la.gov/legis/Law.aspx?d=1106699>)

RS 17:1801 (<http://legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=79979>)

Additionally, Hazing is prohibited in the LSU Code of Student Conduct and will result in University sanctions.

(<https://www.lsu.edu/deanofstudents/files/lsu-code-of-conduct.pdf>)