

Hazing

RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMPLETION:

- Head Coaches
- Assistant Coaches
- Support Staff
- Business Office

VERIFICATION OF COMPLETION:

- Deputy Associate Athletic Director

SUBMITTED TIME FRAME:

POLICY STATEMENT: George Mason University does not condone any activity or atmosphere of humiliation, degradation, abuse or danger to someone joining or currently on an ICA team regardless of the person's willingness to participate. This does not include activities such as rookies carrying team equipment, team parties with community competitions, or going out with teammates, unless any of the elements of the aforementioned atmosphere exists.

Virginia State Hazing Law

§ 18.2-56. Hazing unlawful; civil and criminal liability; duty of school, etc., officials

It shall be unlawful to haze, or otherwise mistreat so as to cause bodily injury, any student at any school, college, or university.

Any person found guilty thereof shall be guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor, unless the injury would be such as to constitute a felony, and in that event the punishment shall be inflicted as is otherwise provided by law for the punishment of such felony.

Any person receiving bodily injury by hazing or mistreatment shall have a right to sue, civilly, the person or persons guilty thereof, whether adults or infants.

The president, or other presiding official of any school, college or university, receiving appropriations from the state treasury shall upon satisfactory proof of the guilt of any student found guilty of hazing or mistreating another student so as to cause bodily injury, expel such student so found guilty, and shall make report thereof to the attorney for the Commonwealth of the county or city in which such school, college or university is, who shall present the same to the grand jury of such city or county convened next after such report is made to him.

PROCEDURES: