

Office of Greek Life

Statement of Understanding and Willingness to Abide by University Hazing Policies Spring 2006

(to be signed by all officers and new members)

We, the officers and new members of _____
understand that hazing in any form by an organization is strictly forbidden by Wake Forest University
and prohibited by state law.

We further understand that hazing is defined in the Student Handbook as “any planned or created
situation, on or off campus, that is demeaning to an individual; produces mental, emotional, or physical
duress, harassment, or ridicule; or which threatens or endangers the health, safety, and well being of
any person.”

We further understand that hazing is defined in the North Carolina General Statutes as follows: “to
annoy any student by playing abusive or ridiculous tricks upon him, to frighten, scold, beat or harass
him, or to subject him to personal indignity.”

We further understand that hazing activities and behaviors include, but are not limited to, the
following:

- ❖ Paddling or striking in any manner
- ❖ Marking, branding or tattooing (includes face painting)
- ❖ Telephone duty
- ❖ Sober driver duty
- ❖ Treasure or scavenger hunts
- ❖ Road Trips
- ❖ Kiss Lists
- ❖ Performing Calisthenics (e.g., sit-ups, runs)
- ❖ Carrying of items such as rocks, shields, swords, books, paddles, etc.
- ❖ Preventing or restricting class attendance or sleep
- ❖ Personal servitude
- ❖ Forcing individuals to eat or drink against their will
- ❖ Designating separate entrances to the Chapter House for new members
- ❖ Work parties for new members only
- ❖ Staging any form of line-up
- ❖ Preventing or restricting normal personal hygiene
- ❖ Causing indecent exposure
- ❖ Applying a substance to an individual’s body or throwing something at a person
- ❖ Physical or mental harassment such as pushing, cursing, shouting, etc.
- ❖ Wearing uncomfortable, ridiculous, or embarrassing dress

- ❖ Treating a person in a degrading, demeaning, or humiliating manner
- ❖ Conducting activities that do not allow time to study
- ❖ Conducting any type of Hell Week activities or calling any pre-initiation activity Hell Week
- ❖ Requiring or forcing the violation of University regulations or federal, state, or local laws.

Personal consent by a new member to participate in any of these listed activities is not a defense against hazing practices.

We agree to resolve any doubts or ambiguities as to specific behaviors or activities in advance and through consultation with representatives of the Office of Residence Life and Housing / Greek Affairs.

We hereby acknowledge our understanding of these policies and express our positive intention to abide by them.

Signed:

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