



## Policies and Procedures Manual

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Title: Hazing Compliance Report Regulations  
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### **Purpose:**

The purpose of this policy is to define the acts that constitute hazing and to outline the protocol for reporting such actions in compliance with Massachusetts Hazing Reporting Regulations 601 CMR 5.00

### **Policy:**

#### **HAZING**

Hazing is prohibited under Massachusetts General Laws (MGL 269, SS 17-19). Hazing refers to any activity or situation created that may humiliate, abuse, degrade or endanger a person's physical or mental health, in connection with joining or belonging to a group or organization, regardless of the person's willingness to participate. This includes, but is not limited to the following: forced or coerced consumption of alcohol or drugs, morally degrading, humiliating or illegal activities or games, physical abuse (whipping, paddling, branding, beating, forced calisthenics, creation of excessive fatigue), forced isolation, sleep deprivation, being forced to wear embarrassing or humiliating attire in public and consumption of vile substances.

### **Procedures:**

#### **Compliance Report**

##### *Frequency of Report*

The College shall annually file its compliance report with the Chancellor of the Board of Higher Education or his designee on or before July 31 of each year. Said report shall cover the period July 1 through June 30 inclusive.

##### *Content of Report (Requirements)*

- I. Reports required by M.G.L. c. 269, § 19 shall include the following certifications:
  - a. that the College has complied with the responsibility to inform student groups, teams or organizations of the provisions of M.G.L. c. 269, §§ 17 and 18;
  - b. that the College has notified each full-time student enrolled by the post secondary educational institution of the provisions of M.G.L. c. 269, §§ 17 and 18;
  - c. that the College has adopted a disciplinary policy with regard to the organizers and participants of hazing;
  - d. that the College's disciplinary policy with regard to the organizers and participants of hazing has been set forth with appropriate emphasis in the student handbook or that a similar means of communicating the institution's policies to its students has taken place.
- II. Said report/form is sent to the president for review and to be signed. The form is forwarded to the Student Affairs to be completed.

The compliance report records are maintained in the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards.

**Related Information:**

<a href="#">610 CMR5 MA Board of Higher Education</a>
<a href="#">Offices of Student Conduct and Community Standards</a>
<a href="#">Massachusetts General Laws</a>

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