University of New England
Hazing Policy

The University of New England has a zero tolerance policy on hazing, and the consequences can be severe. Participating in hazing activities may lead to individual disciplinary action, team disciplinary action, and/or termination of the team or student organization.

The University defines hazing as any action that recklessly endangers the physical or mental health of a person, or that violates the dignity of another person. Hazing is further defined as any activity that is expected of someone to join a group or team that humiliates, degrades, abuses, or endangers them, regardless of intention or willingness to participate. Initiation activities and initiation parties fall into this category. The University enforcement of hazing will prevail regardless of whether it is conducted on or off University property.

Hazing activities may include but are by no means limited to the following team functions: use of alcohol; nudity; paddling in any form; branding or shaving; creation of excessive fatigue; consumption of excessive and or an unusual combination of food; physical and psychological shocks; quests; treasure hunts; road trips; or any other such activities carried out on or off campus; wearing of apparel that is conspicuous and not normally in good taste; engaging in public stunts of buffoonery; morally degrading or humiliating games and activities; and any other activities which are not consistent with state and local law (including legal drinking age), or the regulations and policies of the University of New England.

The University of New England and its coaching staff has the right to determine what is or isn’t hazing. If an incident is reported, the University will conduct a full investigation into any allegations and determine the proper course of action.

Hazing & Initiations

I have read the above statement and fully acknowledge the risks and repercussions of hazing and initiating activities. I also fully understand the zero tolerance policy of hazing at the University of New England, and recognize that there are serious penalties for all parties involved in hazing (including suspension/expulsion from the team or school and cancellation of the season.) I certify that I will not engage in or tolerate from others hazing or initiating activities of any kind.

Print Name  Student-Athlete Signature  Date