**Definition of Hazing:** any activity expected of someone joining or participating in a group that humiliates, degrades, or endangers them regardless of a person’s willingness to participate. It includes three key components:

1. It occurs in a group context
2. Humiliating, degrading, or endangering behavior is required of anyone joining or participating in the group regardless of a person’s willingness to participate; regardless of consent
3. It can happen regardless of an individual’s willingness to participate; regardless of consent

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**HZAING CAN TAKE MANY FORMS**

| Humiliation, roast nights, or wearing embarrassing clothing | Being taken to & left at an unknown location |
| Water intoxication or forced ingestion of substances | Making prank calls or harassing others |

**WHERE CAN IT HAPPEN?**

Hazing happens at colleges and universities AND middle and high schools. Some common places are:

- Varsity Athletic Team
- Social Fraternity or Sorority
- Club Sports
- Performing Arts Organization
- Intramural Team
- Recreation Club
- Academic Club
- Honor Society

**HAZING POLICY**

Although 44 of the 50 states have anti-hazing laws in place, the strength and breadth of the laws vary significantly. Familiarize yourself with the law in your state and your campus policy.

**IS HAZING EFFECTIVE FOR GROUP BONDING?**

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**WAYS TO BUILD HEALTHY GROUPS & TEAMS**

- Participate in community service projects together
- Identify common times for new and returning members to hang out (e.g., group media, studying, working out)
- Visit a challenge course led by professionals to work on communication and leadership skills
- Utilize campus resources to promote scholarship
- Strengthen problem solving skills through team building activities
- Work on personal development through activities like vision boards, goal setting, etc.

**CAMPUS RESOURCES:**

- Hazing Prevention:
  - Learn more about hazing prevention efforts at MIT:
  - How to Report:
    - If you have witnessed or have knowledge of a possible hazing incident, please fill out the confidential online reporting form:
  - Campus Hazing Policy:
    - MIT prohibits hazing by individuals or groups. Read more about MIT’s Hazing Policy.

**INFOGRAPHICS:**

- Hazing Prevention:
- How to Report:
- Campus Hazing Policy:

**INFORMATION SOURCES:**

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**SCAN HERE TO SEE YOUR STATE’S LAWS.**

**WANT MORE INFO? GO TO STOPHAZING.ORG**