



MWHS-2 Policy on Hazing



1. The strength of our Corps, the foundation of our leadership, and the framework of our unit cohesion is built on respect and mutual trust. Hazing in any form is contrary to our core values and it erodes our unit cohesion. Those who commit acts of hazing violate our institutional character and damage our most precious asset; our Marines and Sailors
2. Hazing is defined as any conduct whereby a military member or members, regardless of service or rank, without proper authority causes another military member or members, regardless of service or rank, to suffer or be exposed to any activity which is cruel, abusive, humiliating, oppressive, demeaning, or harmful. Examples of these prohibited activities are: pinning, branding, taping, tattooing, shaving, and requiring excessive physical exercise beyond what is required to meet standards. Soliciting or coercing another to perpetrate any such activity is also considered hazing. Hazing does not require physical contact among or between military members; it can be verbal or psychological in nature as well. Examples of prohibited verbal or psychological activities are: verbally berating another for the sole purpose of belittling or humiliating them and encouraging another to engage in illegal activities. Hazing is unlawful and prohibited and will not be tolerated.
3. Any violation, attempted violation, or solicitation of another to violate this order, may subject involved members to adverse administrative or disciplinary action under Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). If you believe you have been the subject of (or witness to) acts of hazing, report it to your chain of command, or the command Equal Opportunity Representative. Reprisal against any victim or witness of hazing incidents is strictly prohibited. In addition, if you believe you are the subject of hazing or retaliation, your avenue for redress and resolution is the Command Inspector General's Office. All allegations of hazing MUST be reported and will be processed and investigated in accordance with Marine Corps Order, MCO 1700.28B.
4. Should you require further assistance, advice, or instruction, contact a MWHS-2 Equal Opportunity Representative. Establish an environment that values the worth of each individual and supports dignity and fairness at every level.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. R. DeLorenzo".

W. R. DELORENZO
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