

<Organization name>  
**Workplace bullying and harassment  
policy statement**

This is an example of a policy statement. It can be adapted to meet the needs of individual workplaces. Additional resources and an explanation of legal duties can be found at [www.worksafebc.com/bullying/](http://www.worksafebc.com/bullying/).

### 1. Workplace conduct

Bullying and harassment is not acceptable or tolerated in this workplace. All workers will be treated in a fair and respectful manner.

### 2. Bullying and harassment

- (a) includes any inappropriate conduct or comment by a person towards a worker that the person knew or reasonably ought to have known would cause that worker to be humiliated or intimidated, but
- (b) excludes any reasonable action taken by an employer or supervisor relating to the management and direction of workers or the place of employment.

Examples of conduct or comments that might constitute bullying and harassment include verbal aggression or insults, calling someone derogatory names, harmful hazing or initiation practices, vandalizing personal belongings, and spreading malicious rumours.

### 3. Workers must:

- not engage in the bullying and harassment of other workers
- report if bullying and harassment is observed or experienced
- apply and comply with the employer's policies and procedures on bullying and harassment

### 4. Application

This policy statement applies to all workers, including permanent, temporary, casual, contract, and student workers. It applies to interpersonal and electronic communications, such as email.

### 5. Annual review

This policy statement will be reviewed every year. All workers will be provided with a copy.

Date created	Annual review date
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