Heat Illness Prevention Compliance Resources

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Syncope, Heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke

National Emphasis Program – OSHA NEP CPL

Heat Index - Review of the calculation of temperature and additive effect of relative humidity
https://blogs-origin.cdc.gov/niosh-science-blog/2017/06/05/heat-index/

NIOSH Heat Safety Tool Smartphone App
Iphone  Android

OSHA Recordkeeping requirements – expanded to include required reporting a work-related fatality within 8 hours, employers must report all in-patient hospitalizations, amputations and loss of an eye to OSHA within 24 hours. For more information, visit https://www.osha.gov/report.html. Online reporting page: https://www.osha.gov/pls/ser/serform.html


NIOSH - https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/heatstress/default.html

- OSHA-NIOSH Infosheet: Protecting Workers from Heat Illness
- NIOSH Fast Facts: Protecting Yourself from Heat Stress
- NIOSH Workplace Safety and Health Topic: Heat Stress
- NIOSH Criteria for a Recommended standard: Occupational Exposure to Heat and Hot Environments


Monitoring and Preventing Dehydration
https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/dehydration/symptoms-causes/syc-20354086
Dehydration Indication Chart (Urine Color)
https://gacc.nifc.gov/nwcc/content/pdfs/safety/DOD_Urine%20Color%20Test_Poster.pdf

Sunscreen (Food Drug Administration) - https://www.fda.gov/drugs/understanding-over-counter-medicines/sunscreen-how-help-protect-your-skin-sun

- How to apply and store sunscreen
  o Types of sunscreen
- Understanding the sunscreen label
  o Sun protection factor (SPF)
  o Sunscreen ingredients
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- Sunscreen expiration dates
- Sunscreens from other countries

Sunscreen and bug repellent – Sunscreen First and Bug Repellant Second
Also, https://blog.skincancer.org/2019/06/18/ask-the-expert-combination-insect-repellent-or-sunscreen/

Other Agency’s Heat Illness Resources for all Workers

California Heat Illness Prevention Law under Subchapter 7. General Industry Safety Orders;
Group 2. Safe Practices and Personal Protection; Article 10. Personal Safety Devices and Safeguards
https://www.dir.ca.gov/title8/3395.html


Water in You – Graphic - U.S. Geological Survey

Mayo Clinic – water and staying hydrated

Hot Car – Sun or Shade – US Climate Resilience Toolkit
https://toolkit.climate.gov/topics/human-health/extreme-heat%E2%80%94nihhis/nihhis-quick-start-guide#outdoor

OSHA Newsletter subscription http://www.osha.gov/as/opa/quicktakes/subscribe.html

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