Hot Weather Safety

Review the following hot weather safety tips with your employees.

Toolbox Tips

RECOGNIZING HEAT ILLNESSES

- · High body temperature and rapid pulse.
- · Profuse or no sweating.
- · Seizure and unconsciousness.

SUN OVEREXPOSURE PROTECTION

- · Wear long-sleeved, loose fit clothing.
- · Use sunscreen with SPF of 30 or more.
- · Wear a hat that protects the ears and neck.
- Wear sunglasses or safety glasses that protect your eyes against UVA and UVB radiation.

HEAT EXPOSURE RADIATION

- Drink small amounts of water frequently. Avoid alcohol, sugar and caffeine drinks.
- · Eat small and light meals.
- · Work in the shade as much as possible.

FIRST AID MEASURES

- Dial 911.
- · Remove the victim from the hot environment.
- · Remove the victim's extra or loose clothing.
- · Provide him/her with small sips of water.
- · Cool his/her face, arm pits and neck with a damp towel.
- Monitor breathing, elevate his/her legs and calm the victim.

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