

#### **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

- Conduct regular training on heat-related risks, symptoms, and preventive measures.
- Train employees to identify signs of heat-related illnesses; encourage immediate reporting.
- Promote a culture of looking out for each other's wellbeing.

### **HYDRATION STRATEGY**

- Provide water stations throughout the workplace.
- Encourage employees to drink water frequently.
- Schedule regular hydration breaks, especially during peak heat hours.

# **APPROPIATE ATTIRE**

- Recommend lightweight, breathable clothing suitable for hot conditions.
- Highlight the importance of wearing sun-protective clothing and hats.
- Allow flexibility in dress codes to accommodate hot weather.

#### **BREAK SCHEDULES**

- Implement frequent short breaks to allow employees to rest and cool down.
- Schedule breaks during the hottest parts of the day.
- Designate shaded areas for breaks to provide relief from direct sunlight.

### **VENTILATION AND COOLING**

- Install HVLS (High Volume, Low Speed) fans to ensure even air circulation.
- Use portable fans to enhance localized air movement in specific work areas.
- Consider misting systems or evaporative coolers for outdoor or semi-enclosed spaces.

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

- Ensure PPE is lightweight and breathable.
- Train employees on the proper use of PPE.

### **REST AREAS**

- Create designated rest areas with shaded seating for employees to cool down.
- Encourage employees to take breaks in cool or shaded environments.

#### **WORK SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT**

- Modify work schedules to avoid the hottest parts of the day, if possible.
- Plan strenuous tasks during cooler times.

### EMERGENCY RESPONSE

- Establish a clear communication protocol for reporting heat-related illnesses.
- Train supervisors and managers to respond promptly to emergencies.
- Provide access to first aid and medical assistance onsite.

### **MONITORING AND EVALUATION**

- Monitor weather forecasts to anticipate extreme heat.
- Encourage employees to share feedback and suggest improvements.
- Regularly review the effectiveness of the heat prevention plan and update as needed.

