HRI Risk Factors





Heat Rash

Symptoms of heat rash include:

- Red clusters of pimples or small blisters
- Usually appears on the neck, upper chest, groin, under the breasts, and in elbow creases

Workers experiencing heat rash should:

- Work in a cooler, less humid environment, if possible.
- Keep the rash area dry.
- Apply powder to increase comfort.
- Don't use ointments and creams.







Heat Cramps

Symptoms:

 Muscle cramps, pain, or spasms in the abdomen, arms, or legs

Workers experiencing heat cramps should:

- Drink
- Avoid salt
- Get medical help*









Heat Syncope

Symptoms of heat syncope include:

- Fainting (short duration)
- Dizziness
- Light-headedness

Workers with heat syncope should:

- Sit or lie down
- Slowly drink water







Heat Exhaustion

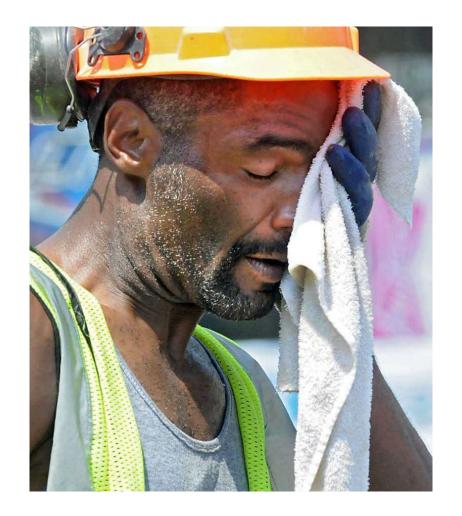
Symptoms of heat exhaustion include:

- Headache
- Nausea
- Dizziness
- Weakness

- Thirst
- Heavy sweating
- Elevated body temperature
- Decreased urine output

Treat heat exhaustion by:

- Seeking emergency medical treatment.
- Staying with the worker until help arrives.
- Removing unnecessary clothing
- Cooling
- Encouraging sips of water.







Heat Stroke

Symptoms of heat stroke include:

- Altered mental status
- Loss of consciousness (coma)
- Hot, dry skin or profuse sweating
- Seizures
- *Fatal* if treatment delayed







Heat stroke is a medical emergency!

Call 911 and:

- Stay with them
- Move them
- Cool them quickly:
 - With a cold water or ice bath
 - Soak clothing with cool water
 - Circulate air
 - Place cold wet cloths or ice



KNOW THE SIGNS AND CALL FOR HELP

- Headache, nausea or vomiting
- Heavy sweating
- Agitation or confusion
- Rapid, shallow breathing
- Rapid or irregular pulse
- Possible shock or cardiac arrest
- Dizziness, weakness, fatigue, cramps, fainting or seizure
- Hot, dry skin with no sweating or cold, clammy skin



