

Cal/OSHA Heat Illness Requirements — Side-By-Side

Requirement	Outdoor Heat (T8CCR 3395) Indoor Heat (T8CCR 3396)		
Scope and Application	 Applies to outdoor workplaces Applies to indoor workplaces when the indoor temperature is greater than 82°F 		
Provide Clean Drinking Water	 Provide access to potable water that is fresh, suitably cool, and free of charge Located as close as possible to work areas Provide access to potable water that is fresh, suitably cool, and free of charge Located as close as and cool-down areas 		
Access to Shade and Cool-Down Areas	 For outdoor workplaces, shade must be present when temperatures are greater than 80°F. When temperatures are less than 80°F, shade must be available upon request For indoor workplaces, provide access to at least one cooldown area which must be kept at a temperature below 82°F Shade and cool-down areas must be: Blocked from direct sunlight Large enough to accommodate the number of workers on rest breaks so they can sit comfortably without touching each other Close as possible to the work areas For indoor workplaces, the cool-down areas must be kept at less than 82°F and shielded from other high-radiant heat sources 		
Cool-Down Rest Periods	Encourage workers to take preventative cool-down rest periods Allow workers who ask for a cool-down rest period to take one Monitor workers taking such rest periods for symptoms of heat-related illness		
High-Heat Procedures	 Have and implement procedures to deal with heat when the Not applicable to Indoor Workplaces 		



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	temperature equals or exceeds 95°F	
	 Procedures must include: 	
	 Observing and communicating effectively with workers 	
	 Reminding workers to drink water and take cool-down rest breaks 	
Assessment and Control Measures	• Not applicable to Outdoor Workplaces	 Measure the temperature and heat index and record whichever is greater whenever the temperature or heat index reaches 87°F (or temperature reaches 82°F for workers working in clothing that restricts heat removal or high-radiant-heat areas) Implement control measures to keep workers safe. Feasible engineering controls must be implemented first.
Monitoring the Weather	 Monitor outdoor temperature and ensure that once the temperature exceeds 80°F, shade structures will be opened and made available to the workers When it is at least 95°F, implement high-heat procedures Train supervisors on how to check weather reports and how to 	• For indoor workplaces that are affected by outdoor temperatures, train supervisors on how to check weather reports and how to respond to hot weather advisories



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	respond to weather advisories		
Emergency Response Procedures	Provide first aid or emergency response to any workers showing heat illness signs or symptoms, including contacting emergency medical services		
Acclimatization	Closely observe new workers and newly assigned workers working in hot areas during a 14-day acclimatization period, as well as all workers working during a heat wave		
Training	Employers must provide training to both workers and supervisors		

Heat Illness Prevention Plan	Estabsh, impl and maintain effective writte Heat Illness P Plan that inclu procedures fo drinking water preventative r periods, close observation d acclimatizatio heat procedur training, prom emergency re	• en Outdoor revention des r providing , shade, est uring n, high- es, pt	Establish, implement, and maintain an effective written Indoor Heat Illness Prevention Plan that includes procedures for providing drinking water, cool-down areas, preventative rest periods, close observation during acclimatization, assessment and measurement of heat, training, prompt emergency response, and feasible control measures
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