Toolbox Talk



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	High:	°C	Wind Speed:	km/hr
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Sun Safety Tips

Working in agriculture can put you at higher risk for skin cancer and heat-related illnesses. Taking preventative measures is essential to having a safe and productive working environment. Before going out to work, use this checklist to determine how protected the people on your farm are from the sun and if there are additional measures that should be taken.

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		Is the clothing worn lightweight, loose, tightly woven (not sheer) and light coloured (i.e., beige, white, khaki)?				
		Does the clothing worn have long sleeves and pantlegs?				
		Are hats being worn? If so, do they have wide brims and/or a neck drape/protection?				
		Is any medication being taken or a medical condition (i.e., pregnancy) that may increase the risk of sun or heat exposure?				
		Is a broad-spectrum SPF 30-50 sunscreen being used and applied often (i.e., every 2 hours if sweating)?				
		Is protective eyewear appropriate (i.e., UV absorbent tinted safety glasses)?				
		Does the work planning reflect the hot working conditions (i.e., more workers scheduled or a decreased pace of work)?				
		Does the work planning avoid anyone working alone and/or address working alone measures and safe practices?				
		Is work being scheduled to minimize the time spend in direct sunlight and to avoid peak hours?				
		Is there enough water readily available for each person working?				
		Are adequate breaks being taken to help prevent heat stress (i.e., increased frequency and length of breaks)?				
		Is there a shaded or cooled area where regular breaks can be taken?				
		Does everyone understand the measures they can take to prevent heat stress?				
		Is someone trained in first aid at the work location?				
		Has everyone been trained on and watching for any signs or symptoms of heat stress in themselves or someone else?				
		Is there an emergency response plan in place to deal with a heat-related illness?				
		Does everyone know their role in the emergency response plan?				
-9	Sun Safety & Cancer ¹					
 90% of skin cancers are caused by IIV rays Previous sunburns increase the risk of melanoma 						

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Additional Topics/Discussion:

Might include task/job details, hazards and hazard controls, worksite specific emergency response, etc.

Attendance:

Print Name	Position/Trade/Company	Sign Name
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Source: ¹Canadian Skin Cancer Foundation. (Unknown). Skin Cancer. <u>www.candianskincancerfoundation.com</u>, Accessed June 16, 2022 from <u>https://www.canadianskincancerfoundation.com/skin-cancer/#:~itext=Over%2080%2C000%20cases%20of%20skin.deadliest%20form%20of%20skin%20cancer.&text=Canadians%20born%20in%20in%20in%20in%20(1%20in%2020).</u>