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Heat Illness Can Kill

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Excess heat causes illnesses, including:

- Heat cramps
- Heat exhaustion
- Heat stroke

These are called hyperthermia

Heat can cause:

- Inattention
- Short temper
- Dizziness

These can lead to unsafe working

Humidity adds to heat effects

Watch for signs of heat illness

- Warnings include muscle cramps
- These cramps usually occur when resting
- They mean your body lost salt

Heat exhaustion signs include:

Exhaustion, nausea and dizziness

Other symptoms are:

- Rapid pulse
- Pale clammy skin
- Low blood pressure

Heat stroke may follow

Heat stroke could be fatal

- Your body's heat control stops
- Your body doesn't sweat
- Your body temperature rises
- It is a medical emergency

You can prevent heat illness

- Adapt gradually to hot conditions
- Drink water often (not coffee or alcohol)
- Rest frequently in cool areas
- Wear layers of light clothing
- Drink mineral beverages to replenish salt

Be alert for heat illness signs

If you suspect heat illness:

- **Move victim to a cool place**
- **Cool by fanning or wiping with water**
- **Offer water to drink**

If you suspect heat stroke

Call medical help immediately

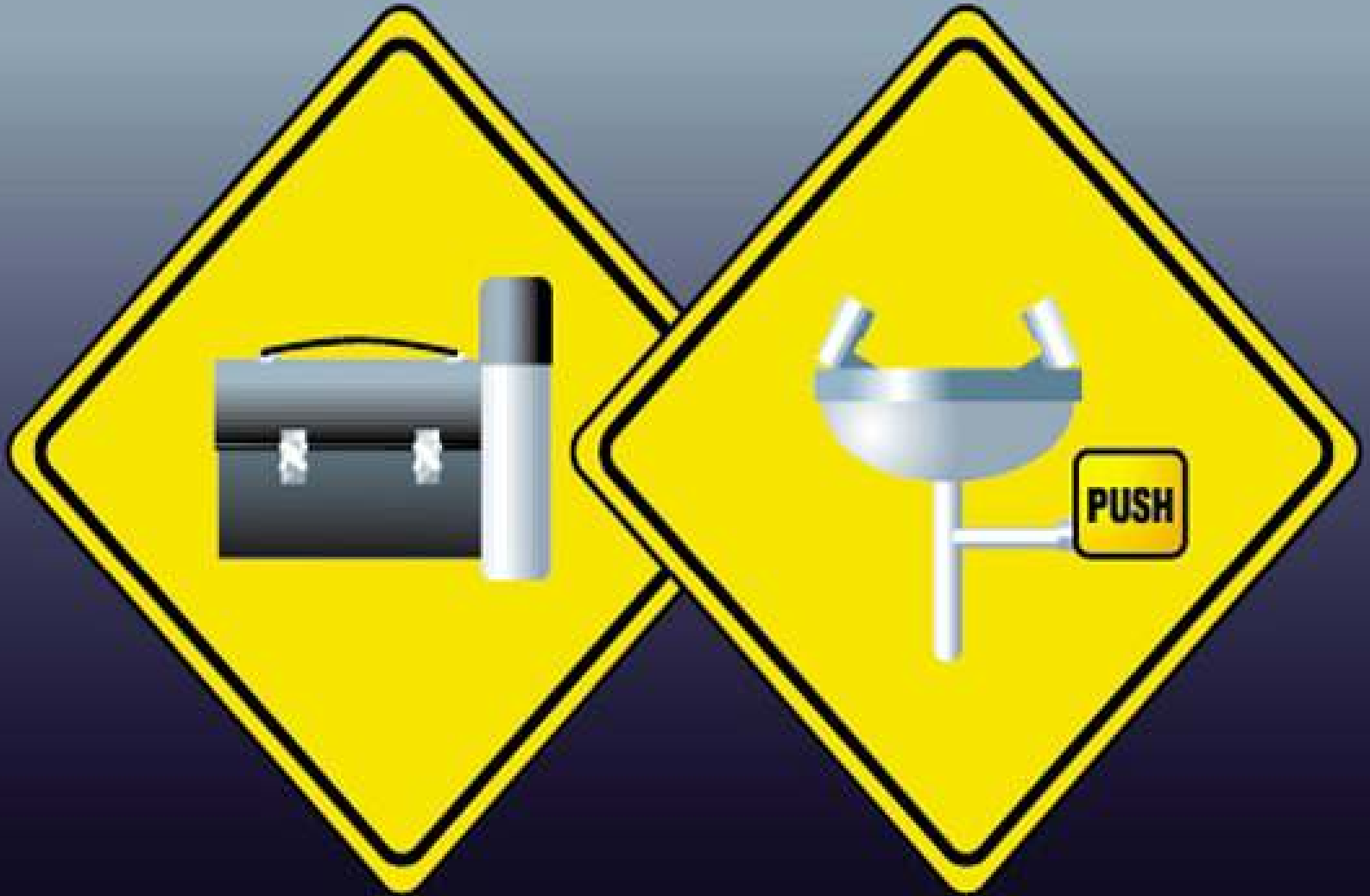


Help your body keep its cool



Know and heed signs of heat illness

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