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PR-13 Heat Stress Prevention

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1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to minimize the potential for heat-related illness among site personnel.

2.0 Scope

This procedure will apply to all employees involved in work activities that create the potential for the development of heat-related illnesses.

3.0 Procedure

3.1 <u>General Requirements</u>

- 3.1.1 Personnel should understand the basic principles of preventing and recognizing symptoms of heat-related illnesses and heat stress. See Attachment A.
- 3.1.2 Control measures for heat stress will be determined based on the heat index for Texas City. See Attachment B.

3.1.2.1 Heat index will be posted daily on monitors throughout the plant.

3.1.2.2 A flag system will also be implemented and displayed on monitors throughout the plant. Each colored flag represents current heat index and corresponding control measures that should be implemented. Attachment B is color coordinated to the flag system.

- 3.1.3 It is the responsibility of each employee's supervisor to determine appropriate work/rest schedules for working in hot temperatures. All heat stress and heat-related illnesses shall be reported to supervision immediately.
- 3.1.4 Management and supervision must maintain a work environment that allows workers to work within their personal limits and must be diligent in recognizing workers who may work beyond those limits and require them to take an appropriate cool-down break.
- 3.1.5 Equipment that is needed to reduce the potential for heat stress will be made available to employees. The following equipment will be available for routine or short duration jobs:
 - 3.1.5.1 Cooling vests/phase change vests.
 - 3.1.5.2 Portable fans/blowers/air conditioning units (with or without water mist).
 - 3.1.5.3 Portable shades.
 - 3.1.5.4 Access to cold drinking water and/or electrolyte drinks.
- 3.1.6 It will be the responsibility of supervision to plan and schedule jobs in such a way as to reduce potential heat stress. The following will be considered during job planning and scheduling:
 - 3.1.6.1 If possible, schedule strenuous jobs for cooler parts of the day (or at night).
 - 3.1.6.2 Ensure adequate manpower levels for the work to be planned.
 - 3.1.6.3 Maintain communication between operations and maintenance to ensure personnel are not waiting in the heat.
- 3.1.7 Hydration is a key element in preventing heat stress. Hydrate prior to and during shift. Water is the first choice for rehydrating. Electrolyte drinks can be used, if they are not the sole source of fluids. See Attachment B for hydration recommendations.
- 3.2 Cool-down Breaks / Work-rest Regimens
 - 3.2.1 Cool-down breaks should, whenever possible, be taken based on the individual worker's
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needs and personal limits for preventing heat-related illness. See Attachment B for requirements.

- 3.2.2 Employees wearing additional PPE (not including FRC) must be given time to remove this PPE during the cool down period.
- 3.3 Cool Down Station Requirements
 - 3.3.1 Temporary cool down areas shall be constructed for turnarounds and projects during periods of hot weather (May 1st through September 30th). See Attachment C for approved locations.
 - 3.3.1.1 Coordination and planning for cool down stations shall begin in the March to April timeframe, with guidance from PSM and Industrial Hygiene, when needed.
 - 3.3.1.2 For non-turnaround and non-project work, cool down stations will be based on need (the number of workers and length of project).
 - 3.3.1.3 See Attachment C for approved locations. Any cool down stations requested outside of the plotted points on the map must be approved by PSM and/or Industrial Hygiene department.
 - 3.3.1.4 Cool down stations should be constructed within 300 feet of work for major projects and turnaround activities, if it meets PSM requirements.
 - 3.3.2 The cool down areas shall be constructed to provide shade and shall be equipped with benches, water, lighting, and fans.
 - 3.3.2.1 Any fabric used to provide shade must be made of FR rated materials.
 - 3.3.2.2 Cool down stations shall be no larger than 150 square feet in size and constructed of materials that can withstand a 3 psi blast
 - 3.3.3 All portable and/or temporary electrical equipment (i.e. extension cords, cables, receptacles) must be compliant with site standards and must utilize ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCI). When applicable, fans must meet Class I Div II specifications. See Reference section.
 - 3.3.4 Each cool down station should display contact information for water cooler replacement, electrical servicing group, and planning group for cool down stations. MPC employees are not responsible for servicing or maintaining fans with misting capabilities
- 3.4 <u>Medical Surveillance Requirements</u>
 - 3.4.1 Employees that feel any initial signs or symptoms of a heat-related illness are to report to their supervisor
 - 3.4.2 Site emergency procedures will be initiated in the event of a heat-illness requiring emergency medical treatment, such as heat exhaustion or heat stroke.
 - 3.4.3 Non-emergency heat-related illness, such as heat rash or heat cramps, will be treated through the Medical Department.
 - 3.4.4 Employees ho have been ill or are taking prescription medications, i.e., antibiotics, diet/weight loss pills, diuretics, blood pressure medications, and any other medication that may increase their susceptibility to heat illnesses will check with the Medical Department before resuming normal duties.

3.5 <u>Training</u>

3.5.1 Employees that work in environments susceptible to heat-related illnesses will receive heat stress prevention training every year.

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- 3.5.2 Training materials will be developed and provided by the Training Department with assistance from the Medical and Safety Departments.
- 3.5.3 All training records will be maintained by the Training Department.

3.6 <u>Contractors</u>

- 3.6.1 Personnel should understand the basic principles of preventing and recognizing symptoms of heat-related illnesses and heat stress.
- 3.6.2 Contractors shall develop and implement their own heat stress policies and/or work practices appropriate for the work they perform.
- 3.6.3 Contractor heat stress policies / practices shall encourage workers to work within their own personal limits and to include provisions for training, proper hydration, acclimatization, and appropriate cool-down breaks to prevent heat-related illness.
- 3.6.4 Rented portable or stationary A/C units must be labelled with contact information for both the rental company and servicing group (MPC representative).

3.7 Risk Factors

- 3.7.1 Environmental Risk Factors Working conditions that create the possibility that heatrelated illness could occur, including air temperature, relative humidity, radiant heat from the sun, process equipment, and other conductive heat sources.
 - 3.7.1.1 Workers that are required to wear PPE beyond FRC (i.e. asbestos, lead abatement, Alky unit work, slicker suits, Tyvek) may require more stringent heat stress controls and engineering controls (i.e. portable air conditioning units or fans). See Attachment B for guidance.
 - 3.7.1.2 Workers that are subject to conditions that increase heat stress or work near equipment that generates heat (i.e. internal vessel work, high temperature lines, pumps, vessels, heat exchangers, furnaces, hot work) may require more stringent heat stress controls and engineering controls (i.e. portable air conditioning units or fans). See Attachment B for guidance.
- 3.7.2 Personal Risk Factors Factors such as an individual's age, degree of acclimatization, health, water consumption, alcohol consumption, caffeine consumption, and use of prescription or over-the-counter medications that affect the body's water retention or other physiological responses to heat.

4.0 Definitions

- 4.1 <u>Heat Index A measure indicating the level of discomfort the average person experiences as a result of the combined effects of the temperature and humidity of the air.</u>
- 4.2 *Heat-related Illness* A medical condition that may occur as a result of heat exposure.
- 4.3 *Heat Stress* A series of conditions where the body is under stress from overheating.

5.0 References

- 5.1 OSHA's Heat Illness Prevention Campaign, <u>https://www.osha.gov/heat/</u>
- 5.2 OSHA standard 29 CFR 1926.404, <u>https://www.osha.gov/laws-regs/regulations/standardnumber/1926/1926.404</u>
- 5.3 RSP-1162-000 Electrical Safe Work Practices
- 5.4 RSP-1314 Building and Tent Siting
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5.5 RGD-PS-000011-GB Buildings and Tent Siting Plan

6.0 Attachments

- 6.1 Attachment A: Heat-Related Illness, Signs & Symptoms & First Aid Measures
- 6.2 Attachment B: Heat Stress Control Measures
- 6.3 Attachment C: Approved Locations for Cool Down Stations

7.0 Revision History

Revision Number	Description of Change	Written by	Approved by	Revision Date	Effective Date
0	Original issue. New integrated site procedure replaces GBR-HESS-PR-13 RSW-0048-TC under MOC 72646.	S. Lambert	E. R. Kaysen	4/15/2020	6/1/2020
1	Replaces map for approved cool down station locations in Attachment C with link to ePlot and updates section 3.3.2 to align with 3.1.5 under MOC 140746.	J. Soape	H. F. Sheard	7/15/2024	7/25/2024

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Attachment A: Heat-Related Illness, Signs & Symptoms & First Aid Measures

HEAT-RELATED ILLNESS	SIGNS & SYMPTOMS	FIRST AID MEASURES
Heat Rash	Red skin and clusters of red bumps on the neck, upper chest, and skin folds.	Move person to cool environment. Keep affected areas clean. Report to supervisor. Report to Medical, if necessary.
Heat Cramps	Cramps and discomfort in muscles, usually arms, legs or abdomen. Generally, occurs immediately after exertion.	Move person to cool environment. Give 3-4 ounces every 5-10 minutes (i.e. water, electrolytes, natural fruit juices, etc.). If cramps are not relieved, get prompt medical attention. Report to supervisor. Report to Medical, if necessary.
Heat Exhaustion	Fatigue, irritability, thirst, nausea or vomiting, dizziness, <i>heavy</i> <i>sweating</i> , elevated body temperature, increased heart rate.	MEDICAL EMERGENCY Get prompt medical attention. First aid must be given until medical attention is received. Move person to cool environment. Give 3-4 ounces every 5-10 minutes (water, electrolytes, natural fruit juices, etc.).
Heat Stroke Heat Stroke Generature, rapid heart rate.		<u>MEDICAL EMERGENCY</u> Get medical attention immediately (call Ext. 200 or push orange man-down button on radio). First aid must be given immediately until emergency response arrives. Delayed treatment may result in damage to the brain, kidneys, and heart. Move to cool environment. Remove unnecessary clothing and spray the body with cool water. Fan individual. If person is conscious, give sips of cool water.

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Attachment B: Heat Stress Control Measures

When working in a group or with a partner, utilize a buddy system to ensure you're monitoring each other's condition and taking measures to prevent heat stress.

The control measures listed below are recommended based on a one-hour work period.

Heat Index: greater than 90°F			
FRC only	Wearing Additional Protective Outerwear		
Drink 1/4 quart of water self-paced for each break	Drink 1/2 quart of water self-paced for each break Select TWO of the following:		
Cool down periods self-paced	 External cooling device Personal cooling device Rotate personnel Plan work at cooler time of the day Radiant heat barrier Cool down station within 300 feet of work Cool down period every 30 minutes 		
Heat Index:	95°F – 100°F		
FRC only	Wearing Additional Protective Outerwear		
Drink 1/4 quart of water self-paced for each break	Drink 1/2 quart of water self-paced for each break		
Select ONE of the following:	Buddy system Select TWO of the following:		
External cooling device	External cooling device		
Personal cooling device	Personal cooling device		
Plan work at cooler time of the day	□ Rotate personnel		
Radiant heat barrier	Plan work at cooler time of the day		
□ Cool down station within 300 feet of work	Radiant heat barrier		
□ Cool down period every 30 minutes	□ Cool down station within 300 feet of work		
	□ Cool down period every 30 minutes		

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Heat Index: 101°F – 105°F			
FRC only	Wearing Additional Protective Outerwear		
Drink 1/2 quart of water self-paced for each break	Drink 3/4 quart of water self-paced for each break		
Buddy system	Buddy system		
Select TWO of the following:	Select THREE of the following:		
External cooling device	External cooling device		
Personal cooling device	Personal cooling device		
Rotate personnel	Rotate personnel		
Plan work at cooler time of the day	Plan work at cooler time of the day		
Radiant heat barrier	Radiant heat barrier		
□ Cool down station within 300 feet of work	□ Cool down station within 300 feet of work		
□ Cool down period every 30 minutes	□ Shading the work area		
	□ Supplied air hood respiratory protection		
	Cool down period every 20 minutes		
Heat Index: 106°F – 110°F			
FRC only	Wearing Additional Protective Outerwear		
Drink 1/2 quart of water self-paced for each break	Drink 3/4 quart of water self-paced for each break		

Buddy system

 Select TWO of the following:
 Select THREE of the following:

Buddy system

□ External cooling device □ External cooling device □ Personal cooling device □ Personal cooling device □ Rotate personnel □ Rotate personnel □ Plan work at cooler time of the day □ Plan work at cooler time of the day □ Radiant heat barrier □ Radiant heat barrier □ Cool down station within **300** feet of work □ Cool down station within **300** feet of work □ Cool down period every **30** minutes □ Shading the work area □ Supplied air hood respiratory protection □ Cool down period every **20** minutes

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Heat Index: greater than 110°F			
FRC only	Wearing Additional Protective Outerwear		
Drink 3/4 quart of water self-paced for each break	Drink 1 quart of water self-paced for each break		
Buddy system	Buddy system		
Select THREE of the following:	Select FOUR of the following:		
External cooling device	External cooling device		
Personal cooling device	Personal cooling device		
□ Rotate personnel	Rotate personnel		
Plan work at cooler time of the day	Plan work at cooler time of the day		
Radiant heat barrier	Radiant heat barrier		
□ Cool down station within 300 feet of work	□ Cool down station within 300 feet of work		
□ Shading the work area	□ Shading the work area		
□ Supplied air hood respiratory protection	□ Supplied air hood respiratory protection		
□ Cool down period every 20 minutes	Cool down period every 10 minutes		

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Attachment C: Approved Locations for Cool Down Stations

Link to Cool Down Stations Map in <u>ePlot</u> – Safety layer, <u>https://gbrgis.mgroupnet.com/portal/home/</u> <u>ePlot - Safety (mgroupnet.com)</u>

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