

WACA SAFETY UPDATE

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Contractors and their safety personnel should be aware of the following issues: COVID-19 Resources, Heat Illness Prevention, and Outdoor Worker Exposure to Wildfire Smoke.

COVID-19 RESOURCES

- A valuable tool for employers is the Cal/OSHA document “COVID-19 Guidance and Resources” which can be accessed here: <https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/coronavirus/> It contains the following helpful information:
 - The Emergency Temporary Standard (California Code of Regulations (Title 8, Sections 3205 – 3205.4):
 - COVID-19 Prevention Plan – <https://www.dir.ca.gov/title8/3205.html>
 - Multiple COVID-19 Infections and COVID-19 Outbreaks – https://www.dir.ca.gov/title8/3205_1.html
 - Major COVID-19 Outbreaks - https://www.dir.ca.gov/title8/3205_2.html
 - COVID-19 Prevention in Employer-Provided Housing – https://www.dir.ca.gov/title8/3205_3.html
 - COVID-19 Prevention in Employer-Provided Transportation to and from Work – https://www.dir.ca.gov/title8/3205_4.html
 - Guidance by Industry
 - Frequently Asked Questions
 - Educational Materials and Other Resources
 - Webinars
 - Another tool provided by Cal/OSHA is its “COVID-19 Prevention Emergency Temporary Standard – Fact Sheets, Model Written Program, and other Resources: <https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/coronavirus/ETS.html>”
- Be sure to check the WACA website for additional information and resources.

HEAT ILLNESS PREVENTION

With hot weather approaching, contractors and safety personnel are advised to check their programs and make sure they are up to date, available to all personnel. and that documentation of employee training is available.

Information, and a fillable model program developed by Cal/OSHA can be reviewed here: <https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/etools/08-006/index.htm>.

OUTDOOR WORKER EXPOSURE TO WILDFIRE SMOKE

Cal FIRE and other knowledgeable sources are expecting an active wildfire season again this year. Cal/OSHA’s Emergency Temporary Standard is in effect and will be enforced. For additional information including a fillable model program, click here: <https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/Worker-Health-and-Safety-in-Wildfire-Regions.html>