OSHA SAFETY REMINDER



OSHA reminds employers, workers that safety is the game plan during FIFA World Cup 2026

As cities across the United States prepare to host FIFA World Cup 2026 matches, the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration is encouraging employers and workers to plan ahead and work safely to prevent injuries and fatalities before and during the games.

Heat may be a serious hazard in many host locations. The message is simple: Water. Rest. Shade.

- Drink plenty of water.
- Take regular rest breaks in a shaded or cool area to reduce the risk of heat-related illness.
- Train on heat stress prevention and how to act if an employee appears to be experiencing a heat-related illness.
- Familiarize everyone with the signs of heat illness such as dizziness, heavy sweating and muscle cramps, and make sure everyone knows what to do in an emergency.
- Use engineering controls if needed such as cooling fans or rotating schedules to minimize heat exposure.

With fans expected to pack event areas, crowd-related injuries can occur. Employers are encouraged to have security or crowd management personnel on site and to train workers in crowd management procedures.

Prepare an emergency plan that addresses potential dangers, including overcrowding, crowd crushing, being struck by the crowd, violent acts, and fire.

If you see something, report it. Call 911 if you or someone you know is in an unsafe environment.

OSHA is committed to creating safe, hazard-free workplaces for all workers.

Let's enjoy the excitement of the World Cup while keeping safety at the forefront. By planning, training, and looking out for one another, we can ensure that every worker returns home safely. Visit osha.gov for more information on workers' rights and safety and health resources.



OSHA reminders are issued on occasion to bring awareness to worker safety and health issues and solutions.