

## Safety & Health Circular No. 11/2011

### Safety at Work under Hot Weather

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Hong Kong's summer days are hot and humid. Workers engaging in manual work under a hot environment will cause the body temperature to rise and excessive sweating in order to release the heat inside. If appropriate preventive measures are not taken, their health may be at risk or safety at work jeopardized.

The Occupational Safety and Health Council (OSHC) has set out guidelines on the subject matter in the Green Cross 【21<sup>st</sup> issue May/June 2011 (available in Chinese only), ref: COPYRIGHT/437/2011-9518】 .

Your attention is drawn to the guidelines on the above captioned subject, which can be downloaded through the link below –

[http://www.oshc.org.hk/oshc\\_data/files/greencross/2016/GC201105.pdf](http://www.oshc.org.hk/oshc_data/files/greencross/2016/GC201105.pdf)

Other relevant guidelines available from Labour Department and Construction Industry Council are as follows:-

- (a) Risk Assessment for the Prevention of Heat Stroke at Work  
<http://www.labour.gov.hk/eng/public/oh/HeatStress.pdf>
- (b) Guidelines on Site Safety Measure for Working in Hot Weather  
[http://www.cic.hk/cic\\_data/pdf/about\\_cic/publications/eng/V10\\_6\\_e\\_V00\\_Working\\_in\\_hot\\_weather.pdf](http://www.cic.hk/cic_data/pdf/about_cic/publications/eng/V10_6_e_V00_Working_in_hot_weather.pdf)

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