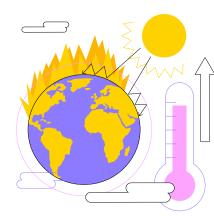


EXTREME HEAT SAFETY



How to Stay Cool During a Heat Emergency

1 What is extreme heat emergency?



An extreme heat emergency occurs when temperatures rise to dangerous levels, potentially leading to heat-related illnesses such as heat exhaustion or heat stroke, which can be harmful and even life-threatening.

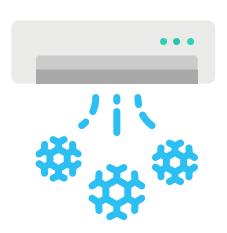
2 How to Stay Cool During Extreme Heat?



Stay hydrated by drinking water



Wear light coloured and loose fitting clothes



Find an airconditioned spot close by where you can cool off



Take cool showers or baths until you feel refreshed



Use a personal mister or spray bottle

3 Create a Buddy System with your family, friends, and neighbours!



Identify a "heat buddy" emergency contact to check in with during extreme weather conditions. If you don't have one check in with 411 Seniors

Centre.

4 Watch for symptoms of heat illness



Heat Exhaustion

- Moist and warm skin
- Headaches and nausea
- Weakness or dizziness
- Normal breathing

What To Do:

- Move to a cooler place
- Loosen tight clothing
- drink water or isotonic drinks
- Use cold compresses and ice to cool down



Heat Stroke

- Dry and hot skin
- Severe headaches
- Altered behaviour such as aggression or confusion
- Rapid and shallow breathing

What To Do:

- Call 9-1-1 immediately
- Move to a cooler place
- Do NOT drink anything as fluids may enter the lungs accidentally

If you would like to be included in 411 Seniors Centre Society Extreme Heat Emergency Check-In plan, please contact us via phone, e-mail, or see us in person to register. Space is unlimited within this program.



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