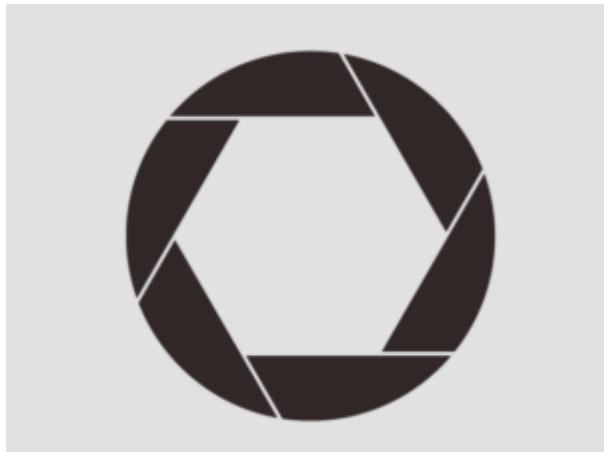


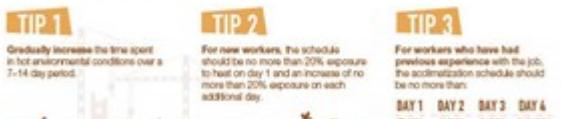
# Heat Stress – Picture This



## PROTECT YOUR WORKERS FROM **HEAT STRESS**

### Develop an acclimatization plan

Acclimatization is the result of beneficial physiological adaptations (e.g., increased sweating efficiency and stabilization of the circulation) that occur after gradual increased exposure to a hot environment.



### Set up a buddy system

Check your workers regularly to make sure...

- they make use of readily available water and shade.
- they don't have heat-related symptoms.



### Schedule and encourage frequent rest breaks...

...with water breaks in shaded or air-conditioned recovery areas.



### Emphasize the need for appropriate clothing

Encourage workers to wear clothing that is...



Cotton clothing can be soaked in water to aid cooling.

Be aware that protective clothing or personal protective equipment may increase the risk of heat stress.



### Encourage workers to drink plenty of fluids...

...such as drinking small amounts of water before becoming thirsty.

During moderate activity in moderately hot conditions, workers should drink about...

1 cup every 15 to 20 minutes.

