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AHERA COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST

This checklist should be used to evaluate whether or not the Local Educational Agency (LEA) has met the general responsibilities mandated by AHERA. Schools should be able to answer “yes” to each statement:

- The AHERA management plan was developed and has been submitted pursuant to the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986, Public Law 99-519 and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency rule: Asbestos-Containing Materials in Schools, 40 CFR Part 763.
- The activities of any persons who perform asbestos inspections, re-inspections, and periodic visual surveillance, develop and update management plans, and develop and implement response actions, including operations and maintenance, are carried out in accordance with 40 CFR Part 763.
- All custodial and maintenance employees are properly trained, as required in 40 CFR Part 763.92(a), for at least two hours regarding asbestos whether or not they are required to work with asbestos. New custodial and maintenance employees must be trained within 60 days after the commencement of their employment.

- All persons doing any asbestos work must have a valid and current New York State asbestos license and certificate.
- All workers and building occupants, or their legal guardians, are informed at least once each school year about asbestos inspections, response actions, post-response action activities, including periodic re-inspections and surveillance activities, that are planned or in progress.
- All short-term workers (such as telephone or utility workers) who may come in contact with asbestos are provided with information regarding the location of known or assumed asbestos containing building materials prior to starting any work.
- All warning labels are posted in accordance with §763.93(g).
- All management plans are available for inspection and notification of this availability has been provided in accordance with §763.95(g).
- The LEA designee has been appointed by the school district according to §763.84(g)(J) and has received adequate training required by §763.84(g)(2).
- The LEA has and will consider whether any conflict of interest may arise from the interrelationship between certified personnel, whether this potential conflict should influence this selection of certified personnel to perform activities under 40 CFR Part 763.

Additional information on AHERA compliance can be accessed at http://www.epa.gov/asbestos/pubs/asbestos_in_schools.html. Please review the AHERA compliance activities for your district. Call the BOCES Safety and Risk Management Office with any questions or concerns you may have regarding AHERA compliance.



END OF SUPPORT FOR SEVERAL BURDICK FIRST SAVE AND CARDIAC SCIENCE AEDS

We have received notification that several Burdick and Cardiac Science AEDs are going “End of Life.”

Effective January 1, 2016, Cardiac Science will no longer be able to repair, or provide batteries and electrodes for these devices:

- Burdick First Save Model 92531
- Burdick Cardiovive AT AED Model 92532
- Burdick Cardiovive DM Model 92533
- Cardiac Science Powerheart AED Model 9300A-2xx
- Cardiac Science Powerheart AED Model 9300E-2xx
- Cardiac Science Powerheart AED Model 9300P-2xx
- Cardiac Science Firstsave Model 9300C-xxx
- Cardiac Science Firstsave Powerheart Model 9300D-xxx

If you have questions about the end of factory support for these AED models, call the Cardiac Science Technical Support team at (800) 426-0337, Option 1.



HEAT- RELATED ILLNESSES

Heat-related illnesses are preventable. Important ways to reduce heat exposure and the risk of heat-related illness include engineering controls, such as air conditioning and ventilation, that make the work environment cooler. Other methods are practices such as work/rest cycles, drinking water often, and providing an opportunity for workers to build up a level of tolerance to working in the heat.

It is also important to know and look out for the symptoms of heat-related illness in yourself and others during hot weather. OSHA’s campaign to raise awareness about the dangers of working in hot weather is now in its fourth year.

Educational materials on the prevention of heat-related illness can be accessed on OSHA’s website at: www.osha.gov/SLTC/heatillness/index.html



Heat Index Information

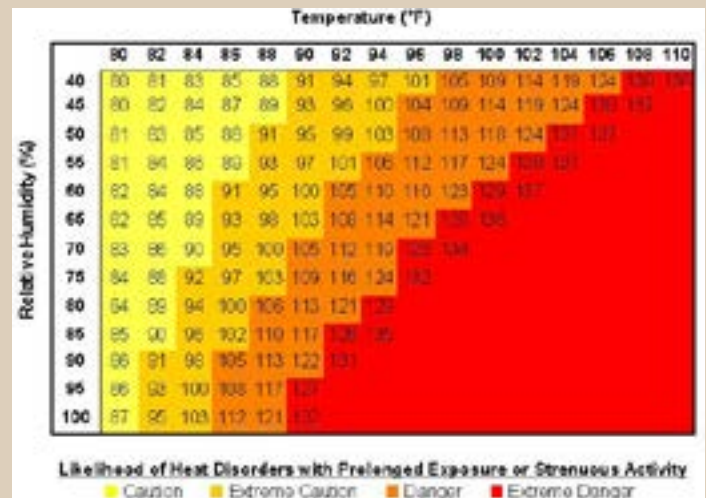
Heat alert procedures are based mainly on Heat Index values. The Heat Index, sometimes referred to as the apparent temperature, is given in degrees Fahrenheit. The Heat Index is a measure of how hot it really feels when relative humidity is factored with the actual air temperature.

To find the Heat Index temperature, look at the chart below. As an example, if the air temperature is 96°F and the relative humidity is 65%, the Heat Index (how hot it feels) is 121°F. The Weather Service will initiate alert procedures when the Heat Index is expected to exceed 105°-110°F (depending on local climate) for at least 2 consecutive days.

NOAA National Weather Service Heat Index

IMPORTANT: Since heat index values were devised for shady, light wind conditions, exposure to full sunshine can increase heat index values by up to 15°F. also, strong winds, particularly with very hot, dry air, can be extremely hazardous.

The Heat Index Chart shaded zone above 105°F shows a level that may cause increasingly severe heat disorders with continued exposure or physical activity.



The Hazards of Excessive Heat

When the body heats too quickly to cool itself safely, or when you lose too much fluid or salt through dehydration or sweating, your body temperature rises and heat-related illness may develop. Heat disorders share one common feature: the individual has been in the heat too long or exercised too much for his or her age and physical condition.

Studies indicate that, other things being equal, the severity of heat disorders tends to increase with age. Conditions that cause heat cramps in a 17-year-old may result in heat exhaustion in someone 40 years old, and in heat stroke in a person over 60. Sunburn, with its ultraviolet radiation burns, can significantly retard the skin's ability to shed excess heat. Acclimatization has to do with adjusting sweat-salt concentrations, among other things. The idea is to lose enough water to regulate body temperature, with the least possible chemical disturbance--salt depletion.

Excerpts courtesy of the NOAA National Weather Service.



Cooper Lighting Recalls Flourescent Light- ing Fixtures Due to Fire Hazard

Consumers should stop using this product, which is being recalled voluntarily, unless otherwise instructed. It is illegal to resell or attempt to resell a recalled consumer product.

Name of product: Cooper Lighting, Portfolio and Utilitech fluorescent lighting fixtures.

Hazard: The socket can overheat, arc and melt, posing a fire hazard.

Units: About 1.62 million (in addition, 27,000 units were sold in Canada).

Description: This recall involves indoor 2-light fluorescent light fixtures that range in size from 18 inches to 4 feet long. The fixtures were sold in white and can be mounted from heights between 8 and 12 feet. A date

code between 182 11 (July 1, 2011) and 090 15 (March 31, 2015) is affixed to the fixture near the ballast in a DDD YY format. Catalogue and model numbers are located on the second line of a label affixed to the inside of the fixture.



Catalogue and model numbers included in the recall: DLE217RLP, DLE217RLPB, DLE232RLP, DLE232RLPB, SL232R, SL232R/1, SL232RPC, SL232RTP, SLNR232R, SLNR232R/1, SLNR232RCHR, SLW232R, SLW232R/1, SNF115R, SNF117R, SNF125R, SNF217R, SSF217R, WP217R, WP217RNKLLU, WP232R, WP232RLU, WP232RNKL, WP232RNKLLU and WP232RNKLRL.

Incidents/Injuries: The firm received seven reports of sockets overheating, melting or arcing. No injuries have been reported.

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the light fixture and contact Cooper Lighting for a free replacement.

Sold at: Ace Hardware, Lowe's, Menards, Mills Fleet Farm, True Value and other retail stores nationwide from July 2011 through April 2015 for between \$13 and \$67.

Importer: Cooper Lighting LLC, of Peachtree City, Ga.

Consumer Contact: Cooper Lighting toll-free at (866) 461-7819 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday or online at www.cooperlighting.com and click on "Safety Notices" under the Resources tab for more information.

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August Health Observances

August 1 - 31

Children's Eye Health and Safety Month

Prevent Blindness America

211 West Wacker Drive, Suite 1700

Chicago, IL 60606

(800) 331-2020

www.preventblindness.org

August 1 - 31

National Immunization Awareness Month

National Center for Immunization and Respiratory
Diseases

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

1600 Clifton Road NE, MS E-05

Atlanta, GA 30333

(800) CDC-INFO (232-4636)

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/events/niam/
default.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/events/niam/default.htm)



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