



Workplace Safety

# News You Can Use

## Employer Resources

August 7-13, 2023, is **SAFE + Sound Week**.



Safe + Sound Week is a nationwide event held every year in August that recognizes the successes of workplace health and safety programs and offers information and ideas on how to keep America's workers safe. Workplaces are encouraged to participate in Safe + Sound Week by getting a health and safety program going or expanding on an existing program that keeps employees healthy and safe. It is also a great time to recognize health and safety successes at your workplace.

For ideas on how you can participate in Safe + Sound Week, visit [www.osha.gov/safeandsoundweek](http://www.osha.gov/safeandsoundweek).

### OSHA Discussions on Workplace Heat Standards for Small Businesses

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is developing a potential standard for workplaces to prevent heat illness and injury in outdoor and indoor environments and is holding Small Business Advocacy Review Panel meetings to gather views on the potential effects of a heat standard on small businesses. Small business owners and representatives from local government entities are invited to join a series of upcoming discussions on the potential impacts of a workplace heat standard on small businesses. These environments include general industry as well as construction, maritime, and agricultural industries.

The meetings will be held in teleconferences where small businesses can share concerns and discuss current practices for protecting their employees from heat-related illnesses and injuries. The discussions will be open to the public. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, visit [www.osha.gov/heat/sbrefa](http://www.osha.gov/heat/sbrefa).

## Upcoming Webinars

**Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at 2:00 PM (Eastern) webinar on Outdoor and Indoor Heat-Related Hazards National Emphasis Program (NEP)**

The Center for Construction Research and Training (CPWR) is hosting this webinar that will feature a representative from OSHA's Directorate of Enforcement who will answer questions about the NEP. In addition, CPWR and OSHA will share resources for employers and workers to help increase awareness of heat hazards, signs and symptoms of heat-related illness, and prevention methods. More information on the webinar and registration is available [here](#).



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