

PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION ANNOUNCEMENT

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Special Weather Statement issued for high heat event

For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 31, Onerahtohkó:wa/May 2023) The Public Safety Division of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke would like to inform the community that Environment Canada has issued a Special Weather Statement due to the high heat event expected over the next three (3) days.

It will be generally hot and sunny today (Wednesday) through Friday, with temperatures hovering around 30°C (86°F). However, the weather will remain dry, limiting the added effect of moisture on the temperature felt

During high-heat events, it's recommended to drink plenty of water, even before you feel thirsty.

Young children, pregnant women, the elderly, those with chronic underlying medical issues, and people working outdoors are at a higher risk.

SIGNS & SYMPTOMS OF HEAT EXHAUSTION

The victim's skin is hot, red and could be sweating. The body temperature is very high, sometimes as high as 105 degrees. Heat exhaustion could lead to a life-threatening emergency and requires prompt action. Summon professional help. Get the victim into a cool place.

COOL THE VICTIM AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE IN ANY MANNER POSSIBLE!

Place the victim into a bathtub of cool water, wrap in wet sheets and place in an air-conditioned room (if possible).

If you have any questions or for more information, please call the Public Safety Unit at **450-632-0635**. For emergencies call the Peacekeepers at **450-632-6505**.